The Dean's Corner

This issue of ON ROUNDS marks the end of its first year of publication. The year has been marked by major physical improvements both at the Capstone Medical Center and in the Educational Tower, but the most important element of CCHS is its people. Personnel is too impersonal a word. The faculty, staff, residents, and students are who we are and what we are. This has been a year of hard and productive work.

The medical students have distinguished themselves scholastically in their clinical clerkships, in research, and in presenting scientific papers to audiences away from Tuscaloosa.

The Family Practice Residency Program continues to enhance its regional and national reputation. Applications for positions reached a new high this year. The top fifty-five applicants for the twelve first-year positions in the residency program represented ten states other than Alabama and were graduates of approximately fifteen medical schools.

Eight faculty positions were filled, leaving only two positions vacant at present. The impact of these new faculty members on the college's teaching, service, and research programs has been highly visible and much appreciated by students, patients, and fellow faculty members.

The establishment of the Research Consulting Laboratory in January is tangible evidence of the college's commitment to expanding the quality and quantity of research. In spite of increasing competition, the college has over $800,000 in external grants and contracts in force. This places us within the top three of the fourteen colleges and divisions of the university.

The loyalty and commitment of CCHS's staff to this year's achievements deserves recognition. Over the past five years the total number of staff has declined from 112 to 95, while medical student enrollment has increased from 26 to 42, resident numbers from 32 to 36, and faculty positions have declined from 40 to 29. Patient care services provided by the college over the same time span have increased significantly, both in the hospital and at Capstone Medical Center. The college is clearly accomplishing more with fewer people. These achievements would not have been possible without the willingness of the staff to work in flexible and mutually supportive ways to maintain the enterprise.

The professional and administrative staffs of our two major teaching hospitals, Druid City Hospital and the Tuscaloosa Veterans Administration Medical Center, have also contributed in major ways to the growth of our programs. Physicians in the two hospitals devote significant time to teaching medical students and residents. Both hospitals work with us in developing continuing medical education for practicing physicians and in promoting joint research projects. Their sustained support is vital to the college.

As we enter the new academic year this month, I trust that all of you will share the challenge and excitement that lie ahead of us. We have the best year ever coming up.

W.J.C.
Kudos to the Class of '84

The College of Community Health Sciences Eighth Annual Honors Banquet for graduating seniors was held at the Stafford Inn on May 19, 1984. Guest speaker Dr. E. Harvey Estes, Distinguished Service Professor at Duke University, was introduced by Dean Wilmer J. Coggins.

Dr. Roland P. Ficken, Director of Medical Student Affairs, presided over the presentation of awards. The William R. Willard Award, for outstanding contributions to the goals and missions of the college, was presented by Dr. Willard, founding dean of CCHS, to Lawrence Roger IACY and Clarence Neil MOSS.

Dr. Ficken presented the Scholastic Achievement Award, for highest grade point average during the clinical years, to Stephen Bennett COPE and William Lee LENAHAN.

On behalf of the CCHS Research Committee, Dean Coggins presented the college's first Research Achievement Award to Lawrence Roger IACY for his work involving moonshine consumption in West Alabama. Dean Coggins also presented Research Achievement Certificates to third-year medical students David N. BOLUS, Jerry H. CRUMP, Nancy A. HOLIFIELD, Martin L. HOWARD, Mari A. MCCOFF, Freddy G. McMURRY, Rebecca S. RAINER, and fourth-year student James L. WHITE.

The Kurt Deuschle Award was presented to Stephen W. BROOKS and Charles S. TOMPKINS by Dr. Robert S. Northrup, Professor and Chief of Community Medicine. Dr. William CURRY, from Carrollton, received the department's Community Medicine Preceptor Award.

Dr. William W. Winternitz, Professor and Chief of Internal Medicine, presented the Internal Medicine Award to Clarence Neil MOSS.

The Peter Bryce Award was presented to Timothy Gerald KELLY and William Lee LENAHAN by Dr. L. Ralph Jones, Professor and Chief of Psychiatry.

Clarence Neil MOSS received the Surgery Award from Dr. R. Joe Burleson, Associate Professor of Surgery.

Dean Coggins recognized the graduating class's Alpha Omega Alpha members: Cindalu Wallace ANGELETTE, Stephen Bennett COPE, William Lee LENAHAN, Clarence Neil MOSS, Michael James TURNER, and James Lafayette WHITE.

John P. SUMMERFORD, President of the Student Body, presided over the presentation of awards voted by the senior class for outstanding contributions to undergraduate medical education. Dr. William R. SHAMBLYN, Associate Professor and Chief of Surgery, received the Faculty Recognition Award for the Junior Year. Dr. H. Gordon KING, Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery, was presented the Faculty Recognition Award for the Senior Year. The Resident Recognition Award was presented to Dr. Robert E. IAHASKY.

Clarence Neil MOSS received the Senior Medical Student Award, which is presented by the senior class for dedication to the art and science of medicine.

During an exit interview, one of the senior medical students was asked to summarize his impressions of his experience here. He said, "In some of the other schools I have visited this year, the students learn how to be good medical students. What I have learned here is how to become a doctor."
Dr. Paul Mozley, recently appointed Professor and Chairman of Obstetrics/Gynecology, is a descendant of the Brindley family, which homesteaded in Morgan County, Alabama, in 1799. Dr. Mozley grew up in Boaz, Alabama. He graduated with a B.A. from the University of Alabama in 1950 and with an M.D. from the Medical College of Alabama in 1955. He says he is pleased to be returning to his home state after an absence of almost thirty years.

For twenty of those years, Dr. Mozley served in the United States Navy, including residencies in both Ob/Gyn (Naval Hospitals, Corona and San Diego, California) and Psychiatry (National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland, and Naval Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania); Head Gynecologist, Naval Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee; Commanding Officer, U.S.N. Hospital, Naples, Italy; Psychiatrist-in-Charge of "Operation Homecoming" (Prisoners-of-War Re-acculturation and Re-integration) in the Fifth Naval District; and Chief of Psychiatry, Naval Regional Medical Center, Portsmouth, Virginia.

He left the Navy in 1975 to accept a full-time associate professorship in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, Virginia. After attaining the rank of full professor and serving as interim chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Dr. Mozley left Eastern Virginia to accept the position of Professor and Director of Undergraduate Education in the Department of Ob/Gyn and Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry at East Carolina University School of Medicine, Greenville, North Carolina.

Dr. Mozley has an extensive list of publications and scientific presentations, most of them reflecting his dual interest in obstetrics/gynecology and psychiatry—"Psychosomatic Factors in Infertility," "Post Partum Emotional Disturbance and Infanticide," and "Pregnancy and Body Image Conflicts," for example. He will be moving his Premenstrual Syndrome Clinic and associated research to this campus within the next few months.

The college welcomes Dr. Mozley and looks forward to a stimulating and productive relationship.

The New Junior Class

Of the twenty-one incoming juniors, eleven are graduates of the University of Alabama who are returning to Tuscaloosa for their clinical years: Scott Wayne BLUME (Scott), from Tuscaloosa, was a Phi Beta Kappa at the university; Mary Jo CAGLE (Mary Jo) is from Midfield in Jefferson County; Elizabeth Lonnergan COCHRUM (Elizabeth) is from Gadsden; Clifford Marc DAVIDSON (Cliff) comes from Mobile; Keith Anthony JONES (Tony) is from Calhoun County; John Michael KARST (Mike) is from Montgomery and graduated cum laude from the university; Sandra Jane KING (Sandra), originally from De Funiak Springs, Florida, was also a Phi Beta Kappa at the universi-
Residents Choose Practice Sites

At the end of June the third-year residents will disperse to enter a variety of practice configurations. The two-physician family practice group appears to be the most popular. Dr. Reid BELL is going to one in Knoxville, Tennessee; Dr. Jeff HEMP to one in Bushnell, Illinois; Dr. John HOLLIS to Sulligent, Alabama; and Dr. Gene WADE to Burlington, North Carolina.

Dr. Ed MARTIN and Dr. Sage SMITH are entering multispecialty group practices as family physicians in Tarboro, North Carolina, and Monroeville, Alabama, respectively.

Dr. Bill CRAVEN is entering solo practice in Oxford, Mississippi. Dr. Bob IRELAND is also going to Mississippi; he is joining Jackson After Hours Clinic, a group of family physicians who are trying to introduce some continuity into episodic care.

Dr. David CALDERWOOD is entering an emergency room practice in Huntsville Alabama, and Dr. John MURRAY is staying in Tuscaloosa to work as an emergency room physician at Druid City Hospital.

Dr. Jim TAKACH was uncommitted as of the publication deadline.

Including this year's graduates, 81 physicians have completed the CCHS Family Practice Residency Program.

Chief Residents for 1983-84

Dr. Reid Bell
and
Dr. Ed Martin
News Briefs

Appointments, Honors, and Awards

Dr. Robert E. PIERONI, Professor of Internal Medicine, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Alabama Society of Internal Medicine for 1984-85 at the annual meeting in Montgomery on April 13-14; he served as "Physician of the Day" at the Alabama Legislature on April 17; and he was re-elected and certified for continued membership through 1986 in the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Dr. John L. SHAMELIN, Jr., Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery, received the Golden Stethoscope Award from the residents at the Lampoon on May 12, 1984.

Presentations and Publications

In association with the residents' Lampoon on May 12, the college conducted the Third Annual Current Topics in Family Medicine, which focused on the evaluation and management of commonly seen problems in obstetrics/gynecology. Presenters at the conference were Dr. Gordon C. BRITARD, Clinical Assistant Professor of Ob/Gyn, "Pediatric Gynecology" and "Abnormal Pap Smears"; Dr. Mary Joyce MCGINNIS, Assistant Professor of Ob/Gyn, "Birth Control Pills: Uses and Abuses"; Dr. David B. PARTLOW, Jr., Clinical Assistant Professor of Ob/Gyn, "Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding"; and Dr. Marion D. REED, Clinical Assistant Professor of Ob/Gyn, "Pelvic Inflammatory Disease" and "Vaginitis."

Dr. Russell ANDERSON, Associate Professor and Chief of Family Medicine, presented "Setting Up a Program to Teach Procedural Skills" at the Residency Assistance Program Annual Workshop in Kansas City, Missouri. With Dr. Ben Banahan, Associate Professor of Family Medicine, UASOM, Huntsville, as coauthor, Dr. Anderson presented a paper titled "Moonlighting in the Residency Program" at the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine in Orlando, Florida, May 4-9.

Dr. Terence R. COLLINS, formerly Associate Professor of Community Medicine; Dr. James D. LEEPER, Associate Professor of Community Medicine; Dr. Tamar MILLO, formerly Data Analyst in the Department of Community Medicine; and Sarah T. DEMELLIER, Coordinator of Contracts and Grants, published "Perceptions and Knowledge of Breastfeeding Among WIC and Non-WIC Pregnant Women in Alabama" in the Alabama Journal of Medical Sciences 1984; 21(2):145-148.

Dr. William W. DRESSLER, Associate Professor and Acting Chief of Behavioral Science, presented an invited paper, "The Stress Process in a Southern Black Community: Implications for Prevention Research," at a conference titled Medical Anthropology: Implications for Stress Prevention Among Culturally Different Populations, which was held on May 14-16, 1984. The conference was sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health and hosted by the Department of Psychiatry, Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland.

Dr. Roland P. FICKEN, Associate Professor of Behavioral Science and Acting Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, and Lee W. BADGER, Research Coordinator, Department of Psychiatry, delivered a paper titled "Psychotropic Drugs in Family Medicine: The Patients and Prescribers in a Residency Program" at the annual meeting of the North American Primary Research Group in Orlando, Florida, on May 2-5. Other coauthors of the paper were Dr. Russell ANDERSON, Associate Professor and Chief of Family Medicine, Dr. James D. LEEPER, Associate Professor of Community Medicine, and Dale GOLDEN, formerly a social worker in the Capstone Medical Center.

Dr. Samuel E. GASKING, Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Director of the

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Family Practice Residency Program, presented a paper coauthored with Margaret GARNER, Assistant Professor and Clinical Nutritionist, Department of Family Medicine, titled "Nutritional Assessment in the Institutionalized Aged" at the Southern Gerontological Society Meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, May 8-9.

A Mother's Day interview that Dr. David C. HEFELFINGER, Professor and Chief of Pediatrics, gave to University Relations was picked up by United Press International and published in several syndicated newspapers. Dr. Hefelfinger was subsequently contacted by CBS News, New York, which broadcasted parts of the interview on national radio.

Dr. Riley LUMPKIN, Professor of Family Medicine and Assistant Dean for CME and Professional Relations, presented "Snakebites and Treatment" at the meeting of the Alabama Chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians in Gulf Shores, Alabama, May 27-June 1.

Dr. Robert E. PIERONI, Professor of Internal Medicine, coauthored two papers presented at the Fifth Annual Meeting of the Southern Gerontological Society, Knoxville, Tennessee, May 8-11: "Gouging Grandma and Grandpa: Medical Quackery Involving the Elderly in the South," with Dr. Lorin A. Baumhover, Professor, School of Social Work, and Director of the Center for the Study of Aging, and "Health and Physical Problems Among the Elderly: Practical Issues in Prevention," with Dr. Baumhover, Dr. Roland P. FICKEN, Associate Professor of Behavioral Science and Acting Associate Dean for Academic Affairs; Margaret P. GARNER, Assistant Professor and Clinical Nutritionist, Department of Family Medicine; Dr. Samuel E. GASKINS, Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Director of the Family Practice Residency Program; and Dr. John F. Schmitt, Assistant Professor of Communicative Disorders, College of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Pieroni delivered the paper "Tetanus and Diphtheria Immunity Studies in Patients From Geographically Diversified Family Practice Centers" at the Forty-first Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Geriatrics Society, which was held in association with the American Federation for Aging Research Fifth Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado. Finally, Dr. Pieroni presented "Medical Problems of the Elderly" at the VA Medical Center on April 19.

Dr. William R. SHAMBLIN, Associate Professor and Chief of Surgery, presented "Gastropasty for Morbid Obesity: A Review of 300 Cases" at the American College of Surgeons Alabama Chapter meeting at Point Clear, Alabama, on May 17-20.


Contract and Grant Activities

In conjunction with the departments in Birmingham and Huntsville, the Department of Family Medicine has received a "Faculty Development in Family Medicine" grant from the Bureau of Health Professions, Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Russell ANDERSON, Associate Professor and Chief of Family Medicine, is the project director for this campus; the department here will receive $17,000 in first-year funds.

The application by Dr. William DRESSLER, Associate Professor and Acting Chief of Behavioral Science, titled "Prevention of Depression in a Black Community" has been approved by the National Institute of Mental Health's Initial Review Group; funding recommendations await the meeting of the National Advisory Council.

Dr. Robert NORTHUP, Professor and Chief of Community Medicine, has submitted an application to the Alabama Bureau of Maternal and Child Health for continuation of the Perinatal Education Program; the total requested for 1984-85 is $78,650.

Meetings, Workshops, Consultations

Dr. Deborah COGGINS, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, and Lee BADGER, Research Coordinator, Department of Psychiatry, traveled in the United Soviet Socialist Republic from May 6 through May 20 on a study tour of Soviet psychiatry. The forty mental health professionals visited Moscow, Leningrad, Tashkent, Samarkand, and Bukhara.
Barbara Doughty, Medical Reference Librarian, attended the annual convention of the Medical Library Association in Denver, Colorado, May 26-31.

Margaret P. Garner, Assistant Professor and Clinical Nutritionist, Department of Family Medicine, attended an American Dietetics Association Commission on Accreditation meeting in Chicago, Illinois, May 7-11.

Dr. Samuel E. Gaskins, Associate Professor of Family Medicine and Director of the Family Practice Residency Program, attended the American Board of Family Practice Annual Review Meeting for Item Writers at Amelia Island Plantation, Jacksonville, Florida, May 17-20. Dr. Robert Pieroni, Professor of Internal Medicine, also attended this meeting.

On May 24, Dr. David C. Helffinger, Professor and Chief of Pediatrics, attended "A Practical Day of Pediatrics" and an Executive Committee meeting of the Alabama Academy of Pediatrics, both at Children's Hospital in Birmingham.

Dr. Riley Lumpkin, Professor of Family Medicine and Assistant Dean for Continuing Medical Education and Professional Relations, met with potential medical students at the University of Alabama in Huntsville and the University of North Alabama on May 3-4. Dr. Lumpkin made a site visit to Gainesville, Florida, May 16-18, for the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

On April 13-14, Dr. Robert Pieroni, Professor of Internal Medicine, attended the Business Session of the Medical Association of the State of Alabama in Montgomery. On April 14, he also attended the Reserve Officers' Association of the US, Alabama Department, Fifty-fifth Annual Convention. Dr. Pieroni attended the Fourth Annual 121st ARCOM Medical Seminar, titled "Injuries and Diseases in the Theater of Operation," in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, April 28-29.

Barbara Pitts, Project Director for WRAP, Department of Behavioral Science, consulted with the National Black Family Summit at Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee, on May 3-5; the meeting was sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Urban League.

Lisa Rains, Chief Medical Librarian, participated in a Project HOPE education program in Xi'an, China, from May 3 through June 15. Her role involved evaluating and recommending library resources to support a hospital administration curriculum.

Dr. William W. Wintermitz, Professor and Chief of Internal Medicine, attended the American Diabetes Association meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada, June 7-13 as chair of the Alabama delegation.

Guests and Special Events

Dr. H. K. Liu, Jet Propulsion Laboratory of the California Institute of Technology, presented "Some New Laser Holographic and Optical Image Processing Techniques and Their Applications in Medicine" at the OCHS Research Conference on June 8.

Dr. Lowell Satler, Instructor in Medicine, Division of Cardiology, Georgetown University, spoke on "The Role of Interventional Cardiology" at the Noon Conference on May 16.

Dr. Greg Smith, a 1983 graduate of UASOM, Tuscaloosa, returned to attend the Honors Banquet on May 19. Dr. Smith is currently in a surgery residency at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi.

The 96 tenth graders from rural Alabama high schools who are participants in the Biomedical Sciences Preparation Program, funded by a grant from the Josiah Macy, Jr. Foundation, have been on campus for two weeks as part of their summer program, which extends from June 10 through July 6. Dr. Harry Knopke, Associate Professor of Behavioral Science, and Dr. Robert Northrup, Professor and Chief of Community Medicine, are codirectors of the four-year project.

On May 24, staff of the college were honored with a reception at the University Club. Bernice Price, Manager of Budgets and Accounting, and Shirley Culp, Assistant to the Dean, were organizers of the event.
Community Service Activities

On April 22, Dr. Robert PIERONI, Professor of Internal Medicine, spoke to the Gay Student Union on the subject of AIDS. On April 23, an interview with Dr. Pieroni concerning treatment of terminally ill patients appeared in the Crimson White, the University of Alabama's student newspaper. As a member of the Family Counseling Service Advisory Board, Barbara PITTS, Project Director for WRAP, Department of Behavioral Science, met with the United Way Allocation Committee on the agency's annual budget request. Sarah DEMELLIER, Coordinator of Contracts and Grants, participated in presenting Hospice of West Alabama's budget request to the same committee.

Dr. William W. WINTERNITZ, Professor and Chief of Internal Medicine, and Betty Moore, a registered nurse at Druid City Hospital, were interviewed about diabetes on the WACT Hotline on April 26.

Arrivals and Departures

Sandra LYONS is the new receptionist in the Blue Suite, Capstone Medical Center.

Patricia NORTHCUTT-STEPHENS, Director of Nursing, resigned her position at the Capstone Medical Center as of June 30.

Sheeron WALDROP has joined the staff as a phlebotomist in the CMC Laboratory.

Vital Statistics

Dr. Randall R. HANKINS, second-year resident, married Janet Ann Holt on May 26 at the First Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa. College faculty and staff mourn the death of Eloise PALICH, Medical Assistant in the Red Suite, on May 24.

Skype Marie Stewart, birthweight 7 lbs. 4 oz., was born to Michael and JILL STEWART, Staff Assistant at the Capstone Medical Center, on June 1.

College Calendar

July 11
General Faculty Meeting, 12 noon, Carrel Room, Capstone Medical Center.

August 8
General Faculty Meeting, 12 noon, Carrel Room, Capstone Medical Center.

Note: The First Friday Letters, Science, and Medicine Conferences and the CCHS Research Conferences are being suspended during July and August. Both will resume in September.

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