MICHIGAN PREMIERE OF AOA FILM:
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, AT CONRAD HALL

The Michigan premiere of a nationally-distributed motion picture which features more than 30 persons from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine will be held at 8:15 p.m., Friday, February 17, in Conrad Auditorium.

The program will include the showing of the film "The Other Doctor" distributed by the American Osteopathic Association, a student production called "The Making of an Osteopath," live music by the Fee Follicles, mild hysteria, several surprises, and a cast party and reception. Students, faculty, staff and friends of the College are invited to attend.

Dean Myron S. Magen will act as master of ceremonies for the premiere.

Filming at College last July

"The Other Doctor" was filmed in July, at the College despite complications which included untimely trains, evacuation of West Fee for a fire drill, a fifteen-minute siren dysfunction at the Clinical Center, whistling wind, blown fuses, unscheduled rain storms and lost keys.

The film, based on the trials of a small town in search of a physician, featured the MSU osteopathic medical college as the model of osteopathic education. National distribution for public education about the profession will include use by television stations.

College Showstoppers

College showstoppers in the production were Philip E. Greenman, D.O., associate dean for academic affairs, as the dean-who-explains-osteopathic-philosophy; Allen W. Jacobs, Ph.D. (required to wear the same outfit for three days straight) as the College representative who escorted "Ridge City's mayor" from scene to scene; and Robert W. Ward, D.O., director of special projects, as the clinical instructor in manipulative therapy.

Others included Lawrence Ross, M.D., Ph.D., associate professor of anatomy, as the histology lecturer; and Gordon Spink, D.O., Ph.D., assistant professor of family medicine, as an instructor in the Simulation Learning Center. Other actors were recruited from the simulated patient roster by Holly Holdman, M.A., director of the Clinical Simulation Laboratory.

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FILM PREMIERE Continuation

Student Stars

Students in the production include the entire 1977 entering class in the lecture setting. Posed shots featured first-year student George Charney, second-year students Robyn Phillips, Wanda Kalencki, Arthur Sheffield, Janice Rock, and Glaucio Bechara, and third-year students Kenneth Lim, Gene Conte, Sharon McGarrity, Robert Gramenz, Michael M. Musci, and Stephan Hosmer.

Other featured performers included alumni C. Barry Dehlin, Walid Ghurabi, and Jorge Luna working at Lansing General Hospital; faculty and staff from the College’s Carcinogenesis Laboratory, Electron Microscopy Laboratory, and Clinical Center Laboratory; and members of the Couples Club from Peoples Church — including Faculty Spouses president Kris Jacobs — as the townspeople of "Ridge City."

Credits

The film, funded under a grant from Merck, Sharp and Dohme, was produced and directed by Weituschat + Associates, Inc. of Chicago.

Writer was Charles Remsberg, technical adviser Robert Klobnak, cinematographer David Elder, sound Phil Williams, and editor Bill Minnerly.

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WILLIS A. WOOD NAMED PRESIDENT-ELECT OF 27,000-MEMBER AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MICROBIOLOGY

Willis A. Wood, Ph.D., professor of biochemistry at Michigan State University, has been named president-elect of the 27,000-member American Society for Microbiology.

Dr. Wood will assume the post July 1, 1978. The Society includes persons in medical, applied, and theoretical microbiology, immunology and mycology.

A former chairman of MSU’s Department of Biochemistry for six years, Dr. Wood has been a member of the MSU faculty since 1956.

He has served ASM as chairman of the annual meeting program from 1967-73 and as chairman of the board in charge of all scientific meetings from 1973-78.

The author of 137 major professional publications, Dr. Wood is active in research administration, as a consultant and adviser to numerous professional and research organizations, and as a member of editorial boards of major scientific journals.

His research has included studies in microbial biochemistry and enzymology, mammalian biochemistry, and instrumentation research.

Dr. Wood has received many awards, including the Senior Sigma Xi Award, MSU’s Distinguished Faculty Award, a National Institutes of Health senior fellowship, and the Eli Lilly Award in Bacteriology and Immunology.

Dr. Wood is the second person from MSU to head the American Society of Microbiology. Philipp Gerhardt, Ph.D., associate dean for research at the College of Osteopathic Medicine, was its president in 1974.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1978

11:30 a.m. Biochemistry seminar: "Control Mechanisms in Epidermal Cell Differentiation" by I. A. Bernstein, University of Michigan School of Public Health. 101 Biochemistry.

4 p.m. Physiology seminar: "Regional Vascular Responses to Angiotensin in Splanchnic Circulation" by Mike Maier. 105 S. Kedzie.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1978

12 p.m. Microbiology seminar: "Human Neurophil Motility: Mechanisms of Control" by Richard A. Patrick. 146 Giltner.

4 p.m. Pharmacology seminar: H. R. Besch, Indiana University. B449 Life Sciences.

4 p.m. Nephrology Research Group. 448 Life Sciences


THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1978

12 p.m. SAAO seminar: "Introduction to Acupuncture: by John Upledger, D.O., associate professor of biomechanics. E8 Fee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1978

8:15 p.m. Michigan premiere of nationally-distributed AOA film, "The Other Doctor," featuring scores of students, faculty and alumni from the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine. Fee Follicles will perform. Cast party and reception to follow in Fee cafeteria. Conrad Auditorium.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1978

8 a.m. Continuing Medical Education program: "Psychosomatic and Psychomotor Diseases." Approval of 7½ hours of CME credit requested. Carl Vann, Ph.D., is program chairman. Sponsored by Osteopathic General Practitioners of Michigan and Michigan Center for Continuing Education in Osteopathic Medicine. For information, call 313-335-7742. Bay Valley Inn, 2470 Old Bridge Road, Bay City.

1 p.m. SAAO Scholarship Cross Country Ski and Backgammon Tournament. Includes relay races, ski clinic, backgammon finals and free refreshments. Forest Akers Golf Course.

The next calendar will cover Monday, February 27 through Monday, March 13. Deadline for inclusion of materials is noon, Thursday, Feb. 16. Contact Health and Medicating Information, A331 E. Fee, 353-0820.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1978


4 p.m.  Physiology seminar: "Regional Blood Flow During Digestion" by Bob Gallavan. 105 S. Kedzie.

7:30 p.m. Medical Humanities and Public Policy seminar: "Discussion of Issues Related to National Health Insurance" by Wilbur F. Cohen, former secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. C106 Holmes Hall.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1978

12 p.m.  Microbiology seminar: "The Immunopathology of Schistosomiasis Mansoni" by Dov L. Boros, Wayne State University. 146 Giltner.

4 p.m.  Nephrology Research Group. 448 Life Sciences.

7:30 p.m.  Student Associate Auxiliary: "Understanding Osteopathic Manipulation" by Philip E. Greenman, D.O., associate dean for academic affairs. Home of Susan Donalson, 4592 Ottawa Dr., Okemos.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1978

11:30 a.m.  Faculty Development Program: "Understanding Student Behavior" includes presentation of videotape by Morris Massey of the University of Colorado. Luncheon provided. Call Karen, 353-7285, for reservations. E2 Fee.

2 p.m.  Radiology seminar: "The Corona Reaction of Injured Tissue: Radiographic Appearances and Biokinetic Background in Pulmonary Lesions and in Mammary Lesions" by Bjorn Nordenstrom, M.D., professor and chairman, Department of Diagnostic Radiology, Karolinska Hospital, Stockholm. A219 Clinical Center.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1978

12 p.m.  SAAO seminar: "Muscle-Energy Technique Practice Workshop" by Fred L. Mitchell Jr., professor of biomechanics. C102 Fee.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, and SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1978

8 a.m.  Continuing Medical Education program: "Focus on Life," held for physicians and spouses in conjunction with the Michigan Osteopathic College Foundation Scholarship Ball. Eight hours CME credit requested. Stephen P. Mihalich, D.O., is program chairman. For information, call 313-335-7742. Northfield Hilton, I-75 and Crooks Rd., Troy.
COMMUNIQUE

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The editors and editorial advisory committee retain the right to edit or exclude any material.

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CONCEPTIONS OF 'GOOD DEATH'
DISCUSSED BY NOTED THEOLOGIAN

Our changing conceptions of a "good death" have implications for the treatment and care of terminally ill patients, a leading theologian and noted educator told MSU medical students and faculty January 23.

Dr. William F. May, chairman of religious studies at Indiana University for 10 years, said the modern Western culture tends to see a "good death" as being a "quick" death -- one without early warning.

He contrasted this with medieval Western culture in which persons appreciated having time to properly prepare for death by making necessary logistical arrangements, saying farewell to community and friends, reconciling differences with enemies, and preparing themselves spiritually to die.

Death in these cultures, he said, was familiar, held little awe, was a public occurrence, and was managed by the dying persons themselves.

Today, said Dr. May, 80 percent of the deaths occur in hospitals or nursing homes, often in dark, quiet, out-of-the-way rooms filled with machinery. The dying person has little to say in the management of his death, and often is alone at the time of his death.

Medical technology, said Dr. May, reflects a "basic pessimism in our culture. We use technology to prolong life and fight death, but if death is inevitable, we want to make it as quick as possible."

Dr. May, who says that "machines should serve persons instead of persons exhibiting the virtuosity of the machines," pointed up some of the contradictions between the use of sophisticated medical equipment and our society's penchant for a quick death.

"For example," he said, "we value a quick death, but use extremely expensive CAT scanners to give us early warning of possibly irremedical diseases. We thus prolong the interval of knowing of impending death."

Dr. May said that how persons define a good death has great implications for how and when they should be told that they have a terminal disease: for those who value a quick death, warning should be postponed; for those who value time to prepare for death, then immediate truth is important.

Advising physicians and other health professionals to "promise only fidelity" to their patients, Dr. May suggested using the "language of indirection" in forthrightly dealing with terminally ill persons.

This way of speaking, which he says is used for discussions of sex, death and religion in our culture, spares both parties the pain that the avoidance of truth, silence as evasion of truth, or blunt truth-telling can cause.

An example of the "language of indirection" he gave was the terminally ill patient who asked his physician if he thought he should buy an expensive new car. The sensitive physician, Dr. May said, would recognize this as a query as to whether the patient had a future in which to invest, and would respond accordingly.

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'GOOD DEATH' Continued

Though it requires great sensitivity on the part of health care providers, Dr. May feels that the "language of indirection" allows the patient to hear the truth in ways in which he can accept and still maintain his dignity.

Dr. May also warned against a medical "orientation to cure rather than care," and urged a distinction be drawn between "maximal treatment" and "optimal care."

"The assumption in the past is that these two were the same -- that the best way to care for a patient was to give him all the treatments that was available for his condition," he said.

He urged allowing persons to go through the complete dying process, and the freedom for physicians to "stop both heroic and ordinary life-support measures" when they were inappropriate.

Dr. May's presentation was sponsored by the Department of Surgery and MSU's Medical Humanities Program.

Widely published and a popular speaker, Dr. May is a graduate of Yale Divinity School and holds the Ph.D. in contemporary theology from Yale University.

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PAUL T. MAGEE NAMED TO HEAD MICROBIOLOGY AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Paul T. Magee of Yale University has been named chairman of the Department of Microbiology and Public Health at Michigan State University.

His appointment was approved by the MSU Board of Trustees at its meeting Friday, February 3.

In addition to serving as dean of Trumbull College for three years, Dr. Magee's posts at Yale also included assistant professor of microbiology and associate professor of human genetics and microbiology.

He received the B.S. degree in chemistry from Yale College in 1959 and the Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of California at Berkeley in 1964. He served as a postdoctoral fellow of the American Cancer Society at Laboratoire d'Enzymologie, Gif-sur-Yvette, France, from 1964-66.

Dr. Magee, who sits on the editorial board of the Journal of Bacteriology, is also a member of the American Society for Microbiology, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Genetics Society of America, and the American Society of Biological Chemists.

An invited speaker at international scientific meetings, Dr. Magee is the author of numerous articles in professional journals.
NEW MONIKER FOR STUDENT SPOUSES AUXILIARY:
MEETING PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY 21

"Student Associate Auxiliary" is the new name selected for the Student Spouses Auxiliary at the national convention in Atlanta.

The next meeting of the group will be at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 21, at the home of Sue Donalson, 4592 Ottawa Dr., Okemos. Philip E. Greenman, D.O., associate dean for academic affairs, will discuss "Understanding Osteopathic Manipulation."

For information, reservations, or transportation, call Christine Schultz, 349-1319.

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ACADEMY'S CROSS-COUNTRY SKI AND BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT:
FEBRUARY 18 AT FOREST AKERS GOLF COURSE

The First Annual Scholarship Cross-Country Ski and Backgammon Tournament sponsored by MSU-COM's Student American Academy of Osteopathy, will be held from 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday, February 18, at Forest Akers Golf Course.

Events will include:

1-5 p.m.: Open skiing and backgammon playing
1:30 p.m.: Waxing and basic technique clinic for skiers
2:30 p.m.: Relay races (three-person teams)
   Beginning and advanced relays for MSU medical community
       Beginning and advanced relays for public
4:30 p.m.: Backgammon finalist playoffs (Any backgammon players wishing to participate in or watch the relay races should begin early to establish a win/loss record early)

Free popcorn and hot cider will be available.

Entry fee for either the relay race or backgammon tournament is $2.00 a person, with 20% of the proceeds going for the prize. The remainder will provide travel expenses for four scholarship winners to the March national Academy convention in Colorado Springs.

Course timers and backgammon boards are needed for the tournament. Contact Sister Rachel Tuthill (353-3643) or John Shonerd (372-6427).

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STRESS AND HOLISM SEMINARS
SPONSORED BY SAAO

The importance of stress as a causative factor in 60-80% of illness will be discussed by Robert C. Ward, D.O., director of special projects, in a seminar series sponsored by the Student American Academy of Osteopathy. The seminars will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., February 14 and 28, in ES Fee.

Dr. Ward will explore the source of psychopathology through familial, social and economic change to effects on the autonomic nervous system, endocrine function, and immunological response, and will suggest therapeutic tools.
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CREATIVE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

A fellowship program to provide creative learning opportunities to medical students is being administered by the National Fund for Medical Education under a grant from SmithKline Corporation.

Grants will be awarded for original projects in areas such as rural health, occupational medicine, environmental health, public health or programs for minority groups.

Applications are due no later than March 1, and winners will be announced by May 15. For applications and complete information, students should see Robert R. Fedore, Ph.D., assistant dean for student affairs.

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GREENMAN, JACOBS, KORR, PRESENT PROGRAM AT FLORIDA ACADEMY OF OSTEOPATHY

Three persons from the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine comprised the entire faculty for a three-day program on osteopathic concepts in systemic disease for the Florida Academy of Osteopathy.

Philip E. Greenman, D.O., associate dean for academic affairs, Allen W. Jacobs, Ph.D., assistant dean for educational resources and associate professor of anatomy, and Irvin M. Korr, Ph.D., professor of biomechanics, made the presentations February 3-5 at Cypress Gardens.

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NEW GRANT FOR AUDIT OF INJURIES TO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES

An audit of capabilities of Michigan high schools handling sports injuries is underway at Michigan State University with the support of a new $7,000 grant from the State of Michigan.

Conducting the audit is Richard W. Redfearn, Ph.D., assistant professor of osteopathic medicine and staff member of the recently established athletic medicine clinic at MSU's Olin Student Health Center.

Over the next year his investigation will center on types and numbers of injuries to high school athletes during practice and interscholastic competition.

Dr. Redfearn also will study high school preparations for emergency care and methods employed for helping to reduce and prevent catastrophic sports injuries.

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SIGMA SIGMA PHI NEWS

Sigma Sigma Phi is assisting Admissions Director Frank Bernier with publicity. Judy Moore, a second-year student, was a recent speaker on "Making Changes Without Committing Professional Suicide" at the Women's Resource Center.
David M. Price, Ph.D., assistant professor and associate director of medical student education in psychiatry, has been appointed to the Professional Advisory Board of the Foundation of Thanatology, a national organization devoted to appreciation of scientific and humanistic knowledge about psychological aspects of dying, reactions to death, loss and grief, and recovery from bereavement.

Gerald G. Osborn, D.O., assistant professor of psychiatry, delivered a lecture on the recognition and treatment of depression to members of the Bay County Medical Center on January 19. The lecture was sponsored by Bay County Medical Education and Merrell-National Laboratories.


Ronald J. Patterson, Ph.D., associate professor of microbiology and public health, attended the tenth Miami Winter Symposia from January 6-15.

Alvin L. Rogers, Ph.D., assistant professor of microbiology and public health, presented a seminar at the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth January 19-22.

Harold C. Miller, Ph.D., associate professor of microbiology and public health, traveled to Buffalo, N.Y., to engage in collaborative research efforts with Dr. G. Cudkowicz.

J. I. Lillie, D.O., 1973 alumnus, has been appointed a committee member to advise the Manistee County Community Mental Health Services regarding handicapped individuals with developmental disabilities. He also is a member of the Implementation and Review Committee of the Northern Michigan Health Systems Agency, a group which recommends to federal, state and local agencies the needs for medical facilities and services in the northern part of the lower peninsula. Dr. Lillie is a primary care physician with Regional Health Care, Inc., 310 River St., Manistee, 49660.

Richard W. Redfearn, Ph.D., assistant professor of osteopathic medicine, was the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Michigan Intercollegiate Track Coaches Association held at the Hilton Hotel in Lansing January 13. His topic was "The Physical Examination and Coach's Liability For Health Care Maintenance."

Connie Jo McCarroll, D.O., 1976 alumnus, has been assigned to Misawa Air Base, Japan, as a captain and general medical officer with the United States Air Force. This is her first assignment after completion of an internship at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, Ohio. Dr. McCarroll's new address is Box 5435, APO S.F., CA, 96519.

Sidney Katz, M.D., chairman of the Department of Community Health Science, is one of 40 persons elected to membership in the Institute of Medicine of the prestigious National Academy of Sciences. Selected for exceptional professional achievement in public health, the members contribute their knowledge to development of recommendations which generally result in public policy.
PSYCHIATRY WAIVER EXAMINATION
MONDAY, MARCH 6

An objective waiver examination for Psychiatry 520 will be held at 7 p.m., Monday, March 6 in E110 E. Fee, for students with previous background in psychology and psychiatry.

The reference book for the course is Understanding Human Behavior in Health and Illness by Richard Simons and Herbert Pardes. Recommended review books are Abnormal Behavior: Perspective and Conflict by R. Price; Childhood and Adolescence: A Psychology of the Growing Person by Joseph Stone and Joseph Church; and Clinical Aspects of Child Development by M. Lewis.

Students wishing to take the waiver examination should sign up with Barbara Reinger in Bl15 W. Fee by Monday, February 27.

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UNIT III NEWS AND INFORMATION

For participants in the 1978-79 Intern Registration Program, the following hospitals have recently been approved by the American Osteopathic Association Board of Trustees for intern training:

Erie Osteopathic Hospital, 5515 Peach St., Erie, Pa. 16509.
Lakeview General Hospital, 80 N. Twentieth St., Battle Creek, Mich. 49015.
Jacksonville General Hospital, 4901 Richard St., Jacksonville, Fla. 32207.
Muskegon General Hospital, 1700 Oak Ave., Muskegon, Mich. 49442.
Doctors General Hospital, 6701 Sunrise Blvd., West, Plantation, Fla. 3313.

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MSU MEDICAL COMMUNITY TO BE FEATURED
IN FILM FOR 44 TV STATIONS

The MSU medical community will be featured in a two-minute film to be aired over 44 TV stations on February 25 as part of the broadcast of the MSU-Illinois basketball game.

Most of the receiving stations are in states with Big Ten schools.

The film will include scenes from the College of Osteopathic Medicine, College of Human Medicine, College of Veterinary Medicine, School of Nursing, School of Medical Technology, and Clinical Center.

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