



FEATURING QUICK SERVICE AND FRESH AIR—Now that spring is here, employees are once again able to have lunch in the outdoor cafeteria, between the yellow and purple zones, off the south hallway. Hot dogs, barbeque, snacks and drinks are available Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. (Photo by John Becton)



April 22-29, 1977

We would like to list lectures, symposia and other activities at the medical center in the Intercom Calendar. If information about your event does not appear, the reason is either that we did not receive it or that we received it too late for printing deadlines. Notices can be accepted for the Calendar no later than one week prior to publication. Notices may be sent to Box 3354, Hospital. If last minute scheduling makes it impossible to send a written notice in time, please call 684-4148.

Friday, April 22

9 a.m.

Thirteenth Annual Symposium on the Cerebral Cortex, sponsored by Research Training Program in Sciences Related to the Nervous System, Rm 143, Jones Bldg. Continues through Saturday.

12:30 p.m.

Biochemistry Seminar. Dr. Eugene Davidson, Dept. of Biological Chemistry, Pennsylvania State University, Hershey Medical Center, will speak on "Complex Saccharides of Cultured Mammalian Cells," Rm 147, Nanaline H. Duke Bldg. Coffee at 12:15 p.m. in the lobby.

1 p.m.

Network for Continuing Medical Education (NCME). Programs on "The Cyanotic Infant: Finding the Cause," "Cyanotic Heart Disease in Infants" and "Corticosteroid Therapy: Chronic Hepatitis and Inflammatory Bowel Disease." View in Rms M-405, M-410, 2031 and Medical Student Lounge (Channel 7 or 9) at Duke and Rms A3002 (by appointment only), C9013, D3008, CCU and classrooms and media learning lab of Allied Health Bldg. at VA Hospital.

Saturday, April 23

8 p.m.

Medical Student Faculty Show, Card Gymnasium. Tickets for \$2.50.

Wednesday, April 27

1 p.m.

NCME. See Fri., April 22 for programs and viewing areas.

Thursday, April 28

12:15 p.m.

Physiology and Pharmacology Seminar. Dr. George Sachs, Laboratory of Membrane Biology, University of Alabama, will speak on "Gastric Mucosa as a Model of H+ Transport," Rm 147, Nanaline H. Duke Bldg. Coffee at noon.

Archives Looking For 1960 Photo

Do any of you out there have a copy of the composite picture of entering students in the School of Medicine in 1960?

If so, the medical center's Archives Office would like to hear from you.

Elon Clark, assistant to the vice president for health affairs and the acting archivist, is assembling photographs for permanent display in the first floor corridor of the Davison Building leading from the lobby to the dean's office.

The composite picture of the students who entered here in 1960 is the only one he does not have.

If you can be of help, call Clark at 684-3633 or drop him a note at Box 3087.

Clark reminds people that in addition to this photograph, he is interested in discussing any historical memorabilia for inclusion in the medical center's growing archives.



SAVE SOME FOR ME—A new soft drink machine has been installed on Meyer Ward. Previously, patients had to ask for a soda at the nursing station, but now can serve themselves, according to Susan Amelia Harper, Intercom's ward reporter. Sampling the fountain's product are Cathy Gardner, RN, and Mark Zitlin, attendant. (Photo by John Becton)

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Calculating Risk of Cancer

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spreads quickly.

If doctors find cancer behind the eye or in the opposite eye, the child gets radiation treatment that can often preserve vision in the opposite eye. About 30 per cent of all retinoblastoma patients have the disease in both eyes.

More Hereditary Cases

Most cases crop up spontaneously, but a growing number of children are inheriting the disease.

In Holland, the percentage of cases due to heredity more than doubled from 1930 to 1960 — from 10 per cent of all cases to 25 per cent. During the same period, retinoblastoma frequency also doubled from one case per 34,000 live births to one case per 15,000 births.

There's no reason to expect U.S. figures to differ, Wadsworth said.

How can the tide of new cases be stemmed?

Genetic Counseling Urged

"Survivors should get genetic counseling and shouldn't have children, in my opinion," the specialist said.

In theory, a person who had retinoblastoma in only one eye should have less of a chance of passing it on than a person with both eyes affected.

But it doesn't always work out that way. "I know of one parent with one eye affected who has two children. Both of them have retinoblastoma in both eyes," Wadsworth said. "It's not that predictable."

On a Powder Keg

Cured patients of childbearing age should see genetic specialists to learn about the risks, he said. "It's up to parents to follow through with this. These (affected) children are sitting on a powder keg."

Where can cured retinoblastoma patients and others with hereditary diseases go for genetic counseling? The National Foundation — March of Dimes lists counselors around the world in its "International Directory

of Genetic Services." Write to the organization at 1275 Mamaroneck Ave., White Plains, NY 10605 for ordering information.

Dr. Arthur C. Christakos and Dr. George H. Mickey are genetic counselors at Duke.

Other medical center faculty members speaking at the workshop are: Dr. W. Banks Anderson, professor of ophthalmology; Dr. Arthur C. Chandler, associate professor of ophthalmology and a member of the Comprehensive Cancer Center; Dr. Gordon K. Klintworth, professor of pathology; Dr. Maurice B. Landers, III, professor of ophthalmology; Dr. John W. Reed, associate professor of ophthalmology; Dr. M. Bruce Shields, assistant professor of ophthalmology; Dr. Charles F. Sydnor, assistant professor of ophthalmology; and Dr. Myron L. Wolbarsht, professor of ophthalmology.

TV Spotlights Cancer

Dr. Diane McGrath, director of the Duke Cancer Information Service, will be spotlighted on Channel 11's (WTVD) Peggy Mann Show next Thursday at 1 p.m.

The program will also feature leaders of the American Cancer Society and fashions modeled by women who all are mastectomy patients.

McGrath is the last of 11 medical center people interviewed on Mann's six-part series on breast cancer.

'Y' Gives Discount For Duke People

Duke employees and their families can now participate in the YMCA at special discount rates.

A new family group plan entitles everyone in the family to use two Durham YMCA facilities which include swimming pools, gyms, game rooms and athletic fields.

Members may participate in such activities as gymnastics, jogging, weight lifting and after school athletics and may obtain discounts for special classes such as bridge, tennis, scuba diving, karate, real estate, arts and crafts and management.

Discounts also are available for memberships in the Y's health clubs. Both men's facilities at 2119 Chapel Hill Rd. and the women's facilities at 808 W. Trinity Ave. include steam and sauna baths and special exercise equipment. Massages are available at an additional fee.

Typical Duke group rates include a family membership for \$126 (instead of the regular \$150), one health club for \$84 (regularly \$125), and a family membership with two health club memberships for \$225 (regularly \$320). Payment may be by payroll deduction as well as by BankAmericard, Master Charge, check or cash.

For more information or an application, call 682-0313.