

BREATHE IN—Senior nursing student Linda Meier times a maternity patient as the expectant mother practices breathing exercises at a pre-natal class. The classes offer instruction in breathing patterns and exercises, nutrition and infant and child care. Geri McAllister, head nurse for the Duke-Watts Family Medicine Program, and student nursing instructor Sally Rankin conducted the series of classes held on Tuesday evenings.

Scholar questions writings of doom

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The "beast" whose mark is to be feared has a number—666.

"In ancient times, the alphabet was used for counting," Eford said. "It was a common practice to identify persons in those days by the total of the numerical values of their names."

He cited a wall inscription where someone had written, "I love her whose number is 545."

Scholars have not been able to find an identity for "666," although possibly the reference could be to Nero, Eford said.

Reference to evil

The "mark" is not a literal mark, but a reference to the evil that is in people.

Eford writes that "the beast was never intended to be a prediction of anything in the future—especially not the European common market—and the mark of the beast was not a prediction of the markings on packages that have begun to be used of late. These are two of the more

recent 'interpretations.'"

Over the years people have been led to believe that "Daniel" and "Revelation" contain some mystical secrets, which, if properly understood, would give a clue to the mysteries of the end of the world, Eford noted.

Offer messages

"The simple fact is, however, that neither mentions an Antichrist, nor the end of time, nor a rapture, nor presents a picture of heaven," he writes in his conclusion.

"What both do is to say to people suffering—perhaps to the point of death—under undeserved persecution that God is ultimately the final arbiter in these matters.

"The books should not be viewed as predicting great calamity, but rather as offering messages of faith and hope to people living in a world seemingly engulfed by evil."

Come and get it!

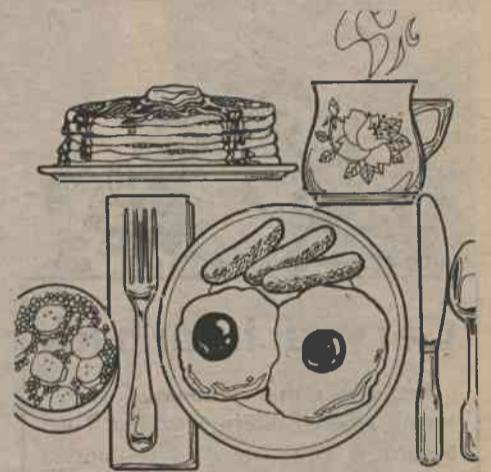
Harvey Grunke, manager of the Trent Drive Hall cafeteria, has announced that Gradel's is now serving breakfast from 6:30 a.m., Monday-Friday.

Eggs cooked to order, freshly-made ham and sausage biscuits and hot coffee, brewed in small amounts, are all available.

"Medical center staff and students can drive on in to work a little early, find a good parking space and enjoy a hot breakfast," Grunke said.

He also announced that Gradel's grill and fountain will be open each Saturday from 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

Gradel's is located in the basement of Trent Drive Hall.



Rheumatology Symposium set

The Division of Rheumatic and Genetic Diseases is sponsoring a Rheumatology Symposium, Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2-5:30 p.m. in the Hospital Amphitheater (yellow zone, first floor).

Guest speakers will be Dr. E. Carwile Leroy, director of the Division of Rheumatology and Immunology, Medical University of South Carolina, and Dr. Shaun Ruddy, chairman of the Division of Immunology and Connective Tissue Diseases, Medical College of Virginia.

The topics to be discussed will be "Progressive Systemic Sclerosis" and "New Methods for Detection of Immune Complexes." Also, the audience will be invited to participate in patient presentations.

All rheumatologists, trainees in rheumatology, house staff and paramedical personnel interested in rheumatology are cordially invited. Anyone planning attend to attend is asked to contact Dr. Ralph Snyderman, 684-6205.

Is your meeting listed here?

If your meeting or seminar is not listed in the adjacent Medical Center Calendar, it's because the information did not reach the Office of Public Relations in time, if at all.

We want to list all lectures, symposia and other activities of interest to medical center faculty, staff and students, but we must have the information no later than the Monday prior to publication. This may necessitate notifying public relations as much as two weeks in advance of the event.

You may send notices to Box 3354. If last minute scheduling makes it impossible to send a written notice in time, please call 684-4148.



Oct. 27-Nov. 3, 1978

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Friday, Oct. 27

1 p.m.

Network for Continuing Medical Education (NCME). Four-part program on automobile casualties: "Management Priorities," "The Patient with Respiratory Problems," "The Patient in Hemorrhagic Shock" and "The Patient with Head and/or Spinal Injuries." View in Rm M405 at Duke and Rms D3008, C6002 and C7002 and Bldg 16 at the VA Hospital. (Previous NCME programs have been catalogued in the Medical Center Library and are available for viewing there.)

4 p.m.

Biochemistry Seminar. Dr. L.M.G. van Golde, Rijksuniversiteit te Utrecht, Netherlands, "Biosynthesis of Pulmonary Surfactant: Studies with Whole Lung and Isolated Alveolar Type II Cells," Rm 147, Nanaline H. Duke Bldg. Coffee at 3:45 in the lobby. (Please note special time.)

4 p.m.

Ray E. Brown Memorial Lecture. R. Zach Thomas Jr. (CHA '37), executive director, Charlotte/Mecklenburg Hospital Authority, "What's In It For Me?" Hospital Amphitheater.

Monday, Oct. 30

12 noon

Pathology Research Conference. Dr. Gordon Klintworth, professor, "In Search of a Metabolic Defect in Maculocorneal Dystrophy," Rm M204.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

12:30 p.m.

Biochemistry Seminar. Dr. John Abelson, Dept. of Chemistry, University of California, San Diego, "Transcription and Processing of the Intervening Sequences in tRNA Genes of Yeast," Rm 147, Nanaline H. Duke Bldg. Coffee at 12:15 in the lobby. (Please note change of calendar day.)

Wednesday, Nov. 1

1 p.m.

NCME. Program on "The Challenge of Adolescent Medicine." See Fri., Oct. 27, for viewing areas.