

Scardino Wins 22 PCA's Earn 'III' Rank Upjohn Award

Peter T. Scardino, a third-year medical student, has been named recipient of the 1970 Upjohn Award in Community Medicine for a paper titled "Bacterial Diarrhea in Eastern Nicaragua."

The Upjohn Award is presented annually to the Duke medical student submitting the best essay on an aspect of health care in which he has some personal experience. Mr. Scardino spent the summer of 1968 in Nicaragua.

A 1967 graduate of Yale University, Mr. Scardino is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Peter L. Scardino of 125 E. 45th St., Savannah, Ga.

The Upjohn Award includes a check for \$200.

Ob-Gyn Gets Grant From Massengill Co.

A Tennessee pharmaceutical firm has made a \$10,000 grant for use by the University and Duke's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

The S. E. Massengill Co. of Bristol, Tenn., designated \$2,000 as an unrestricted contribution to the university. The remaining \$8,000 is to be used at the discretion of Dr. Roy T. Parker, chairman of obstetrics and gynecology.

D. F. Bledsoe, executive vice president of the Massengill company, said that "our research department has worked closely with Dr. Parker and Mr. C. P. Jones (a research associate in the department) for several years in clinical investigations of mutual interest. We are most appreciative of the cooperation and competence evidenced by Dr. Parker and his staff."

Dr. Parker said the grant to his department would be used for continuing microbiology studies of infections in the female genital tract.

He also emphasized what he called "the significant contribution of the pharmaceutical industry to basic and clinical research, especially in these times of diminished federal support to research in health problems."

Twenty-two Patient Care Assistant II's were promoted to PCA III following a qualifying examination held at the Medical Center in January.

In order to earn the new rank, the PCA's had to complete at least two years of PCA II-related work, be employed at Duke for at least three months, and demonstrate a variety of patient care skills in addition to passing the examination.

The new PCA III's include Sherman Allen, Minta Bishop, Esther Brandon, Susie Carey, Emily Carlisle, Ruth Carver,

Dorothy Collins, Carolyn Cook, Johnetta Dixon, Ollie Ellison, Fletcher Evans, Jacqueline Glenn, Ruby Griffis, Mary Hooker, Doris Jones, Willard McIver, Ada Morton, Ula Riley, Margaret Underwood, Mary Watkins, Ola Wilson, and Ruby Winters.

A one-month class for qualified PCA II's who either did not take the examination or who did not meet all the requirements at that time began January 26 and ended February 20. A picture and article about the class will appear in the next Intercom.

Management Course Set for A.L.P.N.'s

Patient Care Education will offer a course in ward management for advanced licensed practical nurses beginning March 9.

The purpose of the class is to familiarize ALPN's with the responsibilities involved in serving as nurse-in-charge for a patient care area. Instruction in responses to possible unusual situations or problems on the ward will also be included.

The course will meet for 30 hours and will end March 27. Mrs. Ruth Furbish, clinical instructor in Patient Care Education, will teach the class. For more information, call extension 6683 or 4293.

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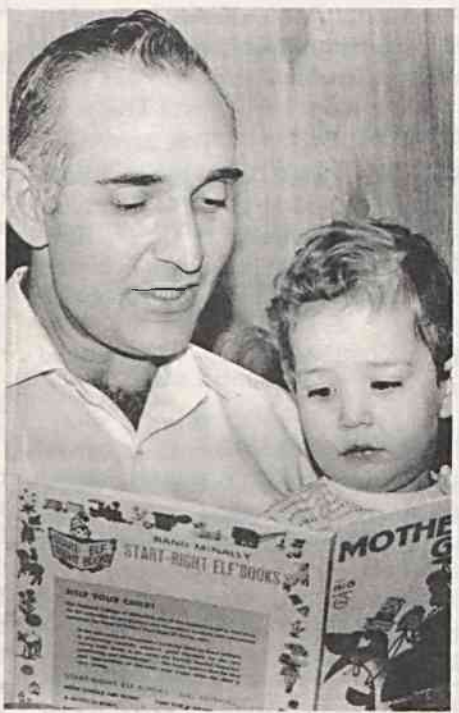
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in the hospital's 1969 statistical report.

During the year the hospital itself treated 22,497 patients, who stayed an average of slightly more than 10 days each. Total days of care administered in the hospital during the year were 233,858.

In the outpatient clinics, 284,976 patients were seen. This number included 119,322 in the public clinics, 135,856 in the private diagnostic clinics and 29,798 in the emergency room.

There were 11,644 operations performed, 1,414 babies born, 1,739,441 laboratory tests performed and 146,867 radiological procedures conducted.



STORY TIME—James Souther, 42, of Greensboro, spends his leisure time working in his garden and reading to his 20-month-old son Bryan. Souther is the object of a story with a happy ending. Five years ago on February 26, Souther became Duke's first kidney transplant patient. A brother William of North Wilkesboro was the donor. Since then more than 60 kidney transplants have been performed at Duke. (staff photo)

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