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history
On May 11, 1846, "The University of Buffalo" was incorporated by an act of the New York State Legislature. The charter contemplated and authorized "academic, theological, legal and medical departments" for the new institution. However, the leading force in the drive for its establishment was a small group of physicians headed by Dr. Austin Flint, which was chiefly concerned with founding a medical school to meet the public health needs of Buffalo's expanding community. Indeed, from 1846 until 1886, when a School of Pharmacy was added, the University of Buffalo consisted of but one department, the School of Medicine.

The first classes in the School of Medicine were held in the old First Baptist Church, at Washington and Seneca Streets, in the fall of 1846. The upper part of this wooden structure was admirably adapted for a medical college because there was an amphitheater so arranged as to accommodate a class of two hundred students, together with rooms for a museum, library, etc. The amphitheater also served as the dispensary. The upper story was used for practical anatomy and a lecture room. On the first floor there was a spacious chemical lecture room and a laboratory. Of course, all of this was after there had been considerable remodeling to the original structure. Two years of study were required for a degree and they included two series of lectures and the preparation of a dissertation to be defended before the faculty. Instruction was given in surgery, medicine, physiology, chemistry and pharmacy, anatomy, obstetrics, pathology and materia medica.

Millard Fillmore, first Chancellor of the Medical School.

His investigation of the nature and origin of the disease was published in the *American Journal of Medical Sciences* and announced his conclusion that typhoid fever is a water-borne disease and that it had been transported to North Boston by a sick traveler from Warwick, Massachusetts. Dr. Flint also founded the *Buffalo Medical Journal* in 1845 which as he states "was not instituted for any sectional objects, or partisan views; but to serve as an organ for the impartial and untramelled utterance of opinion..." He also went on to state that:

...Buffalo is, in many respects, a desirable location for a Medical Journal. This opinion is based on its present and prospective site and resources; its relations with the east and west, through canals and railroads on the one hand, and the chain of great Lakes, with their tributaries, on the other...

By means of facilities for rapid and extensive communications on every side, our location is particularly favorable for the collection and opinions among members of the profession, not only in this section of the country, but situated at points remotely distant from each other.

Dr. James Platt White was another charter member of the faculty and for 35 years he served as Professor of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children. As an educator, Dr. White was direct, forcible and practical. In fact, the students of the first class appointed a committee "... to express their high sense of his professional attainments, as exemplified in his valuable course of instruction, to tender their congratulations on the success attending his first professional labors, and to acknowledge their obligation for his kindness and courtesy in all their official and social relations during the session." Dr. White was Chairman of the first building committee whose efforts resulted in the design and construction of the second home of the School of Medicine. It was erected at a cost of less than $25,000 at Main and Virginia Streets, and continued in operation from 1849 to 1893. Dr. White suggested that the lecture room be equipped with iron armed chairs with cushions for the seats instead of plain boards which were in use in other institutions. This he thought would contribute to the comfort and convenience of the students by affording more ease of sitting and a place for taking notes, and would also prevent the usual disfigurement by whistling. (It is obvious that students still have the urge to whistle, as attested to by the condition of seats in our present day lecture halls.) The style of architecture was Romanesque and the building was 58 feet wide by 100 feet long and four floors high, built from Lockport Red Sandstone. The basement in front was occupied by the janitor and his wife and it was in their apartment, in a room adjoining the kitchen, that Dr. White became innovative, left the ranks of the traditionalists and exposed himself to bitter public criticism. For the first time in the United States, an entire medical school class was shown a real live
birth. According to Distinguished Professor, Oliver P. Jones, Ph.D., M.D., the scenario for this historical event was as follows:

'Dr. White knew there was an unmarried Irish girl, Mary Watson, age 26, at the Erie County Alms House, who was expected to deliver in about nine days. He persuaded her to live with the janitor and his wife at the medical school for the remainder of her confinement. The janitor's wife promised to act as a nurse until she recovered. During this period each member of the class, in the presence of Dr. White, was permitted to auscultate the fetal heart sounds by means of a stethoscope, with the same delicacy as in a private case. They were best heard over the right flank posteriorly. When labor commenced and delivery appeared to be imminent, the class was assembled in a separate part of the building and each student, singly, was permitted to visit the patient in the presence of Dr. White, and make a vaginal examination, again with the same observance of delicacy as in a private case. You could touch but you couldn't look! At the time of delivery, all the students crowded into the room and Dr. White drew back the bed clothes. They watched him support the perineum with a napkin in each hand so that the head of the child was visible and not the vulva. The prenatal position of the Right Occiput Posterior was verified. After the confinement, Dr. White gave Mary Watson ten dollars which she said, at the trial, was no inducement for going to the Medical College, because she felt the treatment was far better than what she would have received at the Alms House.'

Despite public and professional outrage at the time, Dr. White has long since been vindicated and his method of teaching by using illustration persists.

The Medical School's first Dean and Professor of Principles and Practice of Surgery was Dr. Frank Hastings Hamilton. It is interesting to note that Dr. Hamilton, in 1846, proposed an operation to a 15 year old boy in which he would have transplanted a healthy skin flap from one calf to the other in order to cover an indolent ulcer of eight year's duration. However, both the patient and his father refused permission. Hamilton told his medical students that the idea of treating old and indolent ulcers by a plastic operation was his own but "will postpone getting it patented until he learns how his Boston friends get along with their other patent." Eight years elapsed before Hamilton was able to execute such an operation. He had a suitable patient at the Sisters of Charity Hospital in Buffalo and he transplanted a skin pedicle 7x14 inches from the left leg to the ulcer on the patient's right leg. The success of this operation confirmed the practicality of his earlier suggestion. Although it is a matter of record that a Dr. Johnathan Mason Warren of Boston performed the first successful free transplant of skin in the United States in 1840, English and French surgeons ascribed to Dr. Hamilton the honor of being the first to close ulcers by transplanting new skin. Dr. Hamilton was also quite a prolific writer. While in Buffalo, he contributed frequently to the Buffalo Medical Journal and in December 1859 wrote in Buffalo the preface for the first edition of A Practical Treatise on Fractures. This famous book went through eight editions (1860–1891) and was translated into French and German. In 1861, he published his Treatise on Military Surgery which begins as follows:

'War is the normal condition of mankind; peace is the abnormal condition. This statement is not flattering to a people claiming Christianity and boosting of its civilization; it is nevertheless true, and the fact must be accepted.'

Among his widely known books were: The Principles and Practice of Surgery, Fracture of the Patella and Mal-Practice in Surgery (1875). Many a time, he was called to protect the medical profession from attacks by malicious litigants: first as an expert in his profession and second as a medical jurist. He was unalterable opposed to the system of suing for malpractice in "cases where it was the fault of the patient and not the physician." As a highly skilled surgeon he was the first to exercise the metatarsophalangeal joint for simple hallux valgus, to exercise the central portion of the thyroid gland, and to use gutta percha for making interdental splints in the treatment of fractures of the jaw. In rhinoplasty he introduced two methods of operating. Dr. Hamilton reconstructed the skin grafting the mouth, nose, and eyelid of a 25 year old patient who had been severely burned during childhood. Altogether, he performed seven operations on this unfortunate gentleman in March of 1847 and 1848 in the presence of medical students and several physicians at the dispensary of the University of Buffalo. During Dr. Hamilton's career he invented a number of surgical instruments, among them a bullet probe and director, a serrated bone-cutter and an osteophore.

Dr. James Webster was appointed our first Professor of General and Special Anatomy in 1846 and remained there until 1851. Being quite an eloquent lecturer, he appeared at his best when lecturing on his favorite subject — anatomy. As a young man, Dr. Webster was in charge of the Anatomical Rooms at the University of Pennsylvania. While there, he attracted large classes but unfortunately was deprived of
Anatomical material because the Dean of the Medical School, a distinguished anatomist in his own right, had ultimate control of cadavers and would sell to the students private tickets for Practical Anatomy. Many a night did Dr. Webster sit up watching over the little material he did have so that the students would not deprive his students of their instructional material. According to Webster, the editor of the South Carolina Journal of Medicine wrote, "For our part, we must sincerely wish, that this money-making practice, which puts science upon the footing of trade could be eliminated from all our schools." An interesting highlight in Dr. Webster's career occurred in early November, 1847, when he shook the hand of a certain woman named Elizabeth Blackwell saying, "You will make a great stir, I can tell you."  

Dr. George Hadley was appointed Professor of Chemistry and Pharmacy at the University of Buffalo in 1846, a position he held until his death thirty-one years later. He was admitted to the Erie County Medical Society in 1856 and, according to Matthew's history of that organization, "Dr. Hadley's most valuable contribution to chemical science was his discovery of the changing of starch into glucose, which led to the foundation of the great glucose industry in America." Had this reference been substantiated, it would have enhanced Dr. Hadley's stature as a member of our first faculty and it would have brought fame and prestige to a basic science department of the university. For years he served as registrar for the Medical School, hence most of the Minute Book is in his handwriting. On February 17, 1866, the Medical Faculty elected him Dean and Registrar at an annual salary of $150. As a lecturer, he has been described as 'clear, concise and precise' which must have contributed a great deal to his reputation as distinguished medical-legal witness. As a teacher, he was preeminently the student's friend.

Other members of the first faculty were Charles Bradford Coevney, M.D.; Professor of Physiology and Medical Jurisprudence and Charles Alfred Lee, M.D., Professor of Pathology and Materia Medica.

Much has been written about Drs. Austin Hint, Frank H. Hamilton and James Platt White, but little has been written in Buffalo about the first person to meet the first medical school class as mentor, in order to teach them practical anatomy. This person was Dr. Corbydon La Ford, appointed in 1846, Demonstrator of Anatomy and Librarian, Dr. La Ford in fact was not even considered a member of the faculty. In those days, the faculty consisted of the seven Professors who occupied the seven Chairs of the Medical Department of the University of Buffalo. When one considers that the Demonstrator was appointed annually and had to provide cadavers not only for the dissecting room, but also for the Professors of Anatomy and Surgery, without any expense to the college, it now seems incredible that anyone would want the job. In addition, it was understood that the cadavers were "to be obtained in such a manner, as not to compromise the interests of the institution." Interestingly, the Annual Announcement for 1846 reads: "Demonstrator's ticket $3.00 [per student]." No extra charge will be made for fuel, light, servants' hire or any of the usual contingencies of the dissecting rooms." The first class at the University was very much impressed by their teacher, to the extent of having published in the Buffalo Medical Journal (1847) "Resolutions complimentary to Corydon La Ford, M.D." One of four such resolutions states "That the members of the Class entertain for Dr. La Ford the most profound esteem, for his scientific attainments; that they not only admire his zeal and industry in the prosecution of his favorite science, but, also, for those moral qualities of the heart which shine forth so conspicuously in his character."

In the 1880's, we find two prominent names joining the Medical School faculty: Drs. Matthew D. Mann and Roswell Park. Dr. Mann, in 1882, was appointed to the chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Buffalo; he also served as consulting gynecologist to the Buffalo General Hospital, and for several years he was dean of the faculty. He performed the operation at the Pan American Hospital on William McKinley, President of the United States, shortly after the President received a mortal wound from an assassin's gun. The bullet penetrated both walls of the stomach and lacerated the upper pole of the kidney, but the President lingered for a week after surgery. The autopsy report which was signed by 14 physicians and surgeons exonerated the attending surgeons, and left clear "that the death was an act of God and beyond the powers of the medical and surgical talents, techniques, and drugs of that time." Settlement of the fees (honoraria) was a matter for heated discussion in the lay press, the amount finally agreed to was $50,000. While professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at
the school, Dr. Mann edited a two volume: System of Gynecology.

In 1883 Roswell Park joined the Medical School as Professor of Surgery. In 1898, it was announced that the first appropriation by the New York State Legislature from public funds for a cancer institute was made. Dr. Park was made director and given $10,000 for the purpose of "equipping and maintaining a laboratory to be devoted to the study of the causes, mortality rate and treatment of cancer." In 1911, it became the 'State Institute for the Study of Malignant Disease'; in 1846 it was renamed the 'Roswell Park Memorial Institute.'

In 1893, the Medical School was moved to a new, $125,000 building at 24 High Street, which was once described as "the most perfect building of this kind in the country and perhaps the world." It served the Medical School for sixty years and was replaced in 1953 by the present complex on the University campus. This third home for the Medical School had several interesting features. It was so constructed that the entire framework was exposed when viewed from the inside and simply wandering through the building was called "a lesson in anatomy" for the students. Perhaps the only flaw in its construction was that the builders neglected to provide access to the coal storage bin in the back so that coal was originally brought in by horse-drawn cart through the main door and down the main corridor. Incidentally, the building no longer stands, having been demolished in 1953.

"Time present and time past are both perhaps present in time future and time future contained in time past." T.S. Eliot
Dean's Message

To the Class of 1976...

Congratulations on your efforts at bringing this year's edition of the School of Medicine yearbook to fruition. This accomplishment serves to demonstrate the valuable contributions that medical students continually make to the life of our institution. For those of you who will graduate this year, this volume will serve as one last memento to which you can refer in later years and from which you can draw many reflections. For you in transition through the undergraduate medical experience, it can and should serve as one of those few catalysts which assures you and us that a School of Medicine is, in reality, a unified structure designed to accomplish that worthwhile purpose of developing well endowed, well informed, well motivated, and conscientious physicians.

This academic year should carry even more significance for each of us, for not only do this year's graduates attain their goal during the celebration of our nation's bicentennial, but their graduation coincides with the School's one hundred and thirtieth birthday. The history of the School has often paralleled the patterns of the nation's past. Careful review indicates that, on balance, just as the nation has produced great leaders, so this institution has contributed its share of medical leaders and scholars; just as society has responded to new needs and circumstances, so has this institution's faculty, graduates and students.

Therefore, in this very historical year, it is my admonition to each of you to reflect on the history of the institution of which you are an important part, to explore and identify those medical heroes who have emanated from these portals, and to identify those qualities which you wish to emulate and which, in your opinion, require lifelong development and expression so that each of you can make equally significant and important contributions between now and the nation's three hundredth anniversary celebration.

Good luck!

John Naughton, M.D.
March, 1976

Dedication

It is with great pleasure that we recognize Mary Blair Moody on this, the centennial celebration of her graduation. She was the first woman graduate of this School of Medicine and was among this country's first female physicians. Determining to become a physician at a time when it was held by many that 'no lady would wish to study medicine,' she maintained her resolve despite tremendous pressure to enter a more conventional field and received her M.D. in 1862 with a prize in surgery. She was the first female member of the Erie County Medical Society and had a long and productive career, practicing medicine in Buffalo, New Haven, and Berkeley, California, where she died in 1919.

In 1887, when women students at this School of Medicine formed their first alliance for mutual encouragement, support, and aid in matters social, educational, and professional, it was to the memory of Mary Blair Moody that they dedicated their efforts. Now, a century after her graduation, she serves as an inspiration to all of us. For she accomplished the unconventional, followed her heart rather than the social mores of the day, and excelled in her chosen profession. Let us all strive to do likewise.
As we, the Class of 1976, arrived at this School of Medicine four years ago, our very heterogeneity must have been disquieting to many of our prospective teachers. How could a course of study be designed which would meet the needs of so diverse a group of students? One teacher who seemed never to be disquieted, but rather challenged, by this task was Dr. Joseph Lee.

Dr. Lee's credentials as an educator — his original research, academic honors, and publications — are indeed impressive. But it was his less objective credentials — his energy, openness, and expansive human spirit — which overwhelmed us as first year medical students.

We admittedly began the study of Human Anatomy with some anxiety; Dr. Lee's conviction that each student was worthy of the task before him soon replaced this anxiety with enthusiasm. Although involved in a heavy schedule of teaching and research, he was never too busy to answer our questions, and would often pose yet more probing questions to guide our further study.

These were the indefinable qualities which so impressed us as we began our study of medicine. Now, as we graduate from medical school to begin another phase of our education, we realize that this first impression was indeed accurate. Dr. Joseph Lee will always epitomize for us the very highest ideals of medical education, and it is thus to him that we proudly dedicate this edition of The Iris.

The job of an administrator is often an arduous and unacknowledged one, and in our own School of Medicine this is perhaps truest with respect to the job of Associate Dean for Student and Curricular Affairs, involving as it does the resolution of often 'irreconcilable differences.' Dr. Katz, in his first year in this position, has not only performed the job admirably, but has dealt with students with a warmth and good humor which we have all appreciated.

Well before his appointment as Associate Dean Dr. Katz was active in student-faculty affairs. Within a year of his arrival in Buffalo in 1968 he became Coordinator of Third Year Medicine, and it is in this capacity that many of us came to know him. He was also active on the Student Affairs Committee throughout our medical school years, serving terms as both Vice-Chairman and Chairman. As Dean for Curricular Affairs Dr. Katz is continuing to pursue a longstanding interest in innovative and more effective approaches to medical education, and we are certain that the School of Medicine will profit immeasurably from his energetic and insightful leadership in this area.

In short, we, the members of the Class of 1976, dedicate The Iris to Dr. Leonard A. Katz in recognition of his demonstrated leadership in clinical teaching, his attention to the concerns of students, and his commitment to the very best in medical education, a commitment which has already been amply demonstrated in his first year as Dean for Student and Curricular Affairs.
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Dr. Richert, as Assistant Dean and Registrar, you have had the continual contact with our class that few members of an ever-changing administration can claim. You have known us from our first day in U.B. Medical School, which for many of us was four years ago, and during that time have answered our innumerable questions about it. Your office has coordinated our curriculum most satisfactorily, and your advice, "Hang Loose!" will always be timely. Thank you, Dr. Richert.

Mrs. Mary Shapiro

Secretary to the Associate Dean
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Mrs. Shapiro, you have given so much of your time and energy to our class in an unselfish and cheerful manner, that it becomes impossible to thank you enough for all that you have done. You helped make our search for places to continue our education enjoyable. This new Iris could not have been published without your help. The Class of 1976 thanks you, for everything.
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Extern – Mental Health Emergency Clinic
National Institute of Health Fellow
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Student Health Center Counselor
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School Polity, 1973—74; Executive
Committee, Medical School Class,
1973—76; Student Representative,
Search Committee for the Dean of
the School of Medicine

Honors:
Roche Laboratories Award (Basic
Sciences); Kornel L. Terplan
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Warlitzer Award (Psychiatry)

Alpha Omega Alpha

Activities:
Backpacking, Chinese cooking

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Jackson State University — B.A.

Organizations:
SNMA, 2 yrs. clinic

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Med. Extern Deaconess Hosp., 2 yrs.
Intramural Basketball, 2 yrs.

Research Interests:
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Buffalo, N.Y.
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Organizations:
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Fisherman's Guild
Activities:
Sailing & Skiing

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Buffalo, N.Y.
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Activities:
Automobiles, Sailing, Tennis,
Handball, Sking, etc.
Research Interests:
Oncology, Immunology

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Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
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Buffalo, N.Y.
Canisius — B.A., Biology

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Graduate School Fellowship Award for
Academic Achievement '73—'76

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AMSA 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Member AMA 3, 4.

Activities:
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Research Fellowship (Epilepsy) 2;
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Life is really just a lot of hills and
valleys, but no matter what the
terrain, if it feels good, DO IT!
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Charleston, S.C.
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Education, n. That which discloses to the wise and disguises from the foolish their lack of understanding.

—Ambrose Bierce
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Research Interests:
Neurophysiology — Research in the Hypothalamus

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Honors:
Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities '75—'76

Activities:
Class Officer '73—'76; Medical Polity '72—'76; Sub-Board I, Inc. Board of Directors '72—'76; President's Search Committee for the Dean; Admissions Policy Committee

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A lady once offered me a mat, but as I had no room to spare within the house, nor time to spare within or without to shake it, I declined, preferring to wipe my feet on the sod before my door. It is best to avoid the beginnings of evil.

H.D. Thoreau
WILLIAM C. BISHOP, M.D.

Rochester, N.Y.
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Organizations:
Class Officer '74—'75, '75—'76
Activities:
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Amherst, N.Y.
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Activities:
Swimming, jogging, oil painting,
cooking, plant collecting, backpacking

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Psychiatry
JOHN J. BODKIN, II, M.D.

Orchard Park, N.Y.
Manhattan College — B.S., Biology

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
HARTWIG BOEPPE, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A.

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
CHRISTOPHER BRANDY, M.D.

Ogdensburg, N.Y.
St. Lawrence University — B.S.

Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society

Buffalo General Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
GREGG BROFFMAN, M.D.

Little Neck, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo – B.A., Biology

Buffalo Children's Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pediatrics

To some of those who helped make it enjoyable
SONIA YVONNE A. BURGER, M.D.

Spanish Town, P.O., Ja., W.I.
Howard University

Organizations: SNMA
Activities:
Swimming, Reading, Tennis

Children's Hospital of Akron
Akron, Ohio
Pediatrics
ALAN BURKE, M.D.

Ellensburg, Washington
Central Washington State College — B.S., Anthropology

Organizations:
PLK Fraternity, AMSA, AMA,
Ontario Clinical Society of Hypnosis
Activities:
Skiing, Fishing, Hunting, Graphics,
Flying

Swedish Hospital Medical Center
Seattle, Washington
Surgery
MICHAEL R. BYE, M.D.

Bayside, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo – B.A.

Organizations:
American Medical Students Assn. of Rome

Buffalo Children's Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pediatrics

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KATHLEEN JOAN CANTWELL, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
SUNYAB — B.A., Biology & Classics

Honors:
Anatomy, Biochemistry, Family Practice
Organizations:
AMSA, WMSA, NARI, Phi Lambda Kappa
Fraternity
Activities:
Cross Country Skiing, Tennis,
Crocheting, Science Fiction, Baking
Bread, Plants
Research Interests:
Pediatric Allergy

Ohio State University Hospitals
Columbus, Ohio
Pediatrics

You can climb the highest mountain one step at a time.
— Ancient Persian Proverb
CUTHBERT CHARLES, M.D.
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Brooklyn College – B.S., Chemistry

Activities:
Soccer, Tennis, Chess, Ping Pong

Martin Luther King, Jr. Hospital
Los Angeles, California
Pediatrics

ST. LUCIA
If I Run the Clinic
(with apologies to Dr. Seuss)

If I ran the clinic, why here's what I'd do.
I'd stock it with schizoids and psychotics too.
I'd then chick the budget to see what I've got
and notice King Richard and cut back a lot.
So I'd just charge admission, a nickel a shot
and put all the money in a great curing pot.

Ladies and Gentlemen, your attention please.
"Say Hi" to Mollie with an hysterical wheeze.
This man is John and his drugs make him meek.
But before therapy he'd trained as a greek.
Sitting there's Donald, he was quite a bother
till one day in church he knocked down the Father.
In general he behaved like a maniac clown,
but liberal doses of lithium took him right down.
Don't worry about Josh. He's really quite mild.
But before his Amygdectomy he was so wild,
he'd roam the country side, changing people to chutney
and feed their remains to his loyal dog Putney.

I hope you've enjoyed this short patient show.
But you can't cure the people with just smiles and so
We ask for donations again at this time.
Any money at all will do, even a dime.
Now if you'll take off your shoes and step this way,
we'll show you why Skinner (B.F.'s) here to stay.

Now the door's closed, you can all scream and shout,
but no one will hear you, you cannot get out.
Please notice the grid that's built into the floor.
How many can guess what we put it there for?  
If the light goes on while the door is still locked,
then you've got ten seconds before you get shocked.
But don't worry people, there's a way to unlock it,
we need future funding, so empty your pocket.
Well - Thank you kind people and please hurry back,
we've disposed of our red pen and purchased a black.
Now we've plenty of money to spend with impunity,
as we bring mental health to the entire community.
PAUL BARRY COTTER, Jr., M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
University of Toronto – B.A.

Activities:
Extern, Buffalo General Hospital
E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Flexible
DAVID A. DELLAPORTA, M.D.

Rochester, N.Y.
Boston College — B.S., Biology

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Radiology
MARCELLENE S. DOCTOR, M.D.

Cattaraugus Indian Reservation
Gowanda, N.Y.
Long Island University — B.S.

Organizations:
Assoc. Native Amer. Med. Students

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
GEORGE DRAZEK, M.D.

Syracuse, N.Y.
SUNY AB — B.A.

Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Flexible
ALAIN ELUARD, M.D.

Melun, France
University of Paris (France) – L.Sc.,
M.Sc., D.Sc.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
ADOLFO FIRPO-BENTENCOURT, M.D.

Brooklyn, N.Y.
University of Puerto Rico — B.S.

University of Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico
Pathology
MARSHALL ANDREW FOGEL, M.D.

Bayside, N.Y.
SUNY/Buffalo — B.A., Biology

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
THOMAS G. FOREMAN, M.D.

Hornell, N.Y.
Alfred University — B.S.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
JAMES FORTSON, M.D.

Washington, D.C.
Horward University

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
TAWNI ANN FRANK, M.D.

Radcliffe College, Harvard University —
A.B.

Medical College of Virginia
Richmond, Virginia
Surgery
ROBERT C. FUSCO, M.D.

Mechanicville, N.Y.
Union College — B.S.

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Psychiatry
TIMOTHY F. GABRYEL, M.D.

Lackawanna, N.Y.
SUNYAB – B.A.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
ANDREW M. GAGE, M.D.

Tonawanda, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A., Psychology

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
DONALD EDWARD GEORGE, M.D.

North Java, N.Y.
Johns Hopkins University – B.A.

Buffalo Childrens Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pediatrics
ALAN M. GEWIRTZ, M.D.

Rockville Center, N.Y.
Colgate University – A.B.

Mt. Sinai Hospital
New York, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
DANIEL GILLICK, M.D.

Lewiston, N.Y.
Miami University - B.A.

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Gynecology-Obstetrics
BENJAMIN A. GITTERMANN, M.D.

Bronx, N.Y.
CCNY - B.A.

Montefiore Hospital Center
New York, N.Y.
Family Practice
KAREN ANN GLASGOW, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Vassar College – B.A.

Organizations:
PLK Medical Fraternity

Activities:
Swimming, Dancing, Raising Plants,
Reading Philosophy

Riverside Methodist Hospital
Columbus, Ohio
Internal Medicine
It's still the same old story,
A fight for love and glory,
A case of do or die . . .

GRANT S. GOLDEN, M.D.

Amherst, N.Y.
Brown University — A.B., English

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Organizations:
Med School Directory ’73—’74, ’74—’75
(covers art); IRIS 1976
Activities:
Film, Art, Music Composition, Photography,
Golf, Playing with Sheep

Cleveland Clinic
Cleveland, Ohio
Radiology
M. DOUGLAS GOSSMAN, M.D.

Erie, Pennsylvania
Ohio State University — B.A.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry.

Mark Twain (1894)

THOMAS JOHN HADLEY, M.D.

Olean, N.Y.
Washington Square, N.Y.U. – B.A.,
German

Medical College of Ohio at Toledo
Toledo, Ohio
Internal Medicine
PATRICK R. HAYES, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Canisius College — B.A.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Organizations:
P.L.K.
Activities:
Scuba Diving, Photography, Repairing Cars
Research Interests:
The Incidence of Neurological Problems in a Deaf School Age Population

Riverside Methodist Hospital
Columbus, Ohio
Internal Medicine
HAL HEMME, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Duke University — A.B.

Tucson Hospitals Educational Program
Tucson, Arizona
Internal Medicine

We'll give him some eggs
and if he's still here
in the morning
we'll keep him.

C. Hemme
DOUGLAS HORNER, M.D.

St. Laurel, Del.
Wake Forest University

Children's Hospital Center
Dallas, Tex.
Pediatrics

To my parents and to my wife, thank you.
LOUISE ALEXANDER ISENBERG, M.D.

Queens, N.Y.
University of Buffalo — B.S., M.T. (ASCP)

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Organizations:
ASMT, ASCP, AMSA, NARI, AMWA, PLK
Activities:
University Chamber Choir; Polity; PLK President; Editor, Medical Student Directory; Editor-in-Chief, IRIS '76

University Hospitals
Madison, Wisconsin
Gynecology-Obstetrics
STEVEN KARP, M.D.

Schenectady, N.Y.
Union College — B.S.
University of Missouri — M.S.P.H.

Medical Center Hospital
Burlington, Vermont
Surgery
JAMES M. KERN, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
University of Michigan — B.S.
(Science & Engineering)

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Activities:
Med School Football Team ’72, ’73
Emboli Hockey Team ’73

Hennepin County General Hospital
Minneapolis, Minn.
Internal Medicine

"If someone loves a flower, of which just one single blossom grows in all the millions and millions of stars, it is enough to make him happy to look at the stars. He can say to himself: ‘Somewhere, my flower is there . . . ’"

—The Little Prince
JANE T. KING, M.D.

Hofstra University — B.A.

Activities:
Kids, Sailing

Mt. Sinai Hospital
Cleveland, Ohio
Internal Medicine
JEFFREY S. KLINE, M.D.
Williamsville, N.Y.
University of Rochester — B.A., Biology
Children's Hospital of Akron
Akron, Ohio
Pediatrics
STANLEY JOSEPH KRAMER, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Niagara University – B.S., M.S.

Organizations:
Alpha Omega Alpha

Yale—New Haven Medical Center
New Haven, Conn.
Pediatrics

My DADDY is a Doctor

I am Doctor DADDY
I am Sick

I am Sick
JUSTINE ANNE KRAWCZYK, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
SUNYAB – B.A., Biology

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
JENNIFER S. KRIEGLER, M.D.

Lackawanna, N.Y.
Skidmore College—B.A.

Activities:
Skiing, Sailing

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
KEVIN B. KULICK, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Wesleyan University — B.A.

Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
JANE KUNSTLER, M.D.

Mamaroneck, N.Y.
University of Wisconsin — B.A.

Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Flexible
JOHN YOUELL LAMBERT, III, M.D.

Ithaca, N.Y.
Syracuse University — B.S.

Organizations:
PLK

Cincinnati General Hospital
Cincinnati, Ohio
Pediatrics
STEPHEN LAZORITZ, M.D.

Gainesville, Florida
SUNYAB — B.A.

Honors:
Navy scholarship
Organizations:
AMSA (President, '74)
Activities:
Skiing, Sailing, Drying Concrete,
Bear Watching
Research Interests:
Migratory Patterns of the North
American Pooh Bear

Portsmouth Naval Hospital
Portsmouth, Va.
Pediatrics
DARRYL LEONG, M.D.

Honolulu, Hawaii
University of Hawaii/Reed College — B.A.

University of Minnesota Hospitals
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Pediatrics
STEPHEN MARTIN LEVITT, M.D.

Rochester, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo – B.A.

Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
San Diego Naval Hospital
San Diego, California
Internal Medicine
JOSEPH M. LIGHTSEY, M.D.

Durham, North Carolina
Winston-Salem State University — B.S.,
Biology

Organizations:
Student National Medical Assoc.,
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

Activities:
Bicycling, Tennis

Highland Hospital
Rochester, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
There is an old saying in the English hospitals... "A doctor must have the heart of a lion and the hand of a lady." That means he must be bold and courageous, strong, quick and decisive, yet, gentle, kind and considerate. That applies to everyone who is engaged in treating the sick and wounded — doctors, nurses, orderlies. So be constantly thinking of your patients, constantly asking yourself — "Can I do more to help them?" Look for ways of improving your work and mastering your technique.

—Dr. Norman Bethune
JIMMY J. MACCOOL, M.D.

San Fernando, Trinidad
McGill University — B.S.

Organizations:
SNMA

Activities:
Soccer, Ping Pong, Tennis

Florida Hospital
Orlando, Florida
Family Practice
RON MARCONI, M.D.

Williamsville, N.Y.
State Univ. College at Buffalo – B.A.,
Biology

Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
ARThur MAYS, M.D.

Elma, N.Y.
R.F.I. - B.S., SUNYAB - M.S.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society 2, 3, 4.
SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
GERARD M. McPHEE, M.D.

Rochester, N.Y.
St. John Fisher College — B.S.

E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Anesthesiology
WALWIN D. METZGER, M.D.

Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A.

Honors:
Lynch Scholar
Activities:
Former Sierra Leone National
Soccer Player, Tutor Undergraduate
Students
Research Interests:
Malaria & Immune Complex Nephritis

St. Elizabeth Hospital
Youngstown, Ohio
Internal Medicine
CARMEN DOROTHEA METILDJ, M.D.

Montego Bay, Jamaica, W.I.
Columbia Univ. School of General Studies — B.A.

San Diego Naval Hospital
San Diego, California
Internal Medicine
LEONARD ANGELO METILDI, M.D.

Rochester, N.Y.
Illinois Institute of Technology —
B.S.L.A.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Activities:
Tennis, Golf, Flying

San Diego Naval Hospital
San Diego, California
Surgery
GARY J. MILLER, M.D., Ph.D

Angola, N.Y.
SUNYAB — B.A., M.A.

Activities:
Farming
Research Interests:
Molecular Genetics, Control of Gene Expression

Buffalo General Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pathology
LAWRENCE ALLAN MILLER, M.D.

Flushing, N.Y.
Cornell University — A.B.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society

George Washington University Hospital
Washington, D.C.
Internal Medicine
JOSEPH M. MISITI, M.D.

Medina, N.Y.
Hobart College — B.S.

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
HERMAN S. MOGAVERO, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Fordham University

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
ERWIN B. MONTGOMERY, M.D.

Cheektowaga, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.S., Biochemistry

Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Research Interests:
Neurophysiology

Barnes Hospital Group
St. Louis, Missouri
Internal Medicine

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."

Bible, Book of Proverbs
ROBERT I. MORSE, M.D.

Williamsville, N.Y.
M.I.T., Yale - B.S., Chemistry, B.S.
Philosophy, M.S., Chemistry, Ph. D.,
Chemistry

Activities:
Wife, 2 Sons, Friends

San Diego County University Hospital
San Diego, California
Family Practice
ELIOT MOSHMAN, M.D.

New York, N.Y.
University of Rochester — B.A.

Montefiore Hospital Center
New York, N.Y
Internal Medicine
DAVID E. MYERS, M.D.

Kenmore, N.Y.
Allegheny College — B.S., Chemistry

Organizations:
American Chemical Society
Activities:
Tennis, Golf, Softball, Soccer,
Stamp Collecting, Baseball Card Hobbyist

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
J. MICHAEL NEANDER, M.D.

Pearl River, N.Y.
University of Rochester — B.A.

Organizations:
Schola Cantorum, Master Chorale of
Western New York

Activities:
Choral Singing, Tennis, Auto Mechanics

Albany Hospital
Albany, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
NANCY H. NIELSEN, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
West Virginia University, Catholic
University of America — A.B., M.S., Ph.D.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Organizations:
Benjamin Rush Society
Activities:
Harrington Committee
Research Interests:
Clinical Microbiology

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
"I came," she said, "hoping you could talk me out of a fantasy."

"Cherish it!" cried Hilarious, fiercely. "What else do any of you have? Hold it tightly by its little tentacle, don't let the Freudians coax it away or the psychiatrists poison it out of you. Whatever it is, hold it dear, for when you lose it you go over by that much to the others. You begin to cease to be."

—The Crying of Lot 49
Thomas Pynchon

I'd rather learn from one bird how to sing
than teach ten thousand stars how not to dance.

—"New Poems"
e.e. cummings

We know that sympathy or love is the law over all laws, because in nothing else but love is the soul conscious of pure happiness, which appears to be the ultimate place, and point of all things.

—Walt Whitman

ROBERT SAUL NISSAN, M.D.

Baldwin, N.Y.
Tufts University – B.A.

Activities:
Intramural Sports, Poetry, Student of Serious Philosophy

Nassau County Medical Center
Meadowbrook, N.Y.
Family Practice
MARIE NOCEK, M.D.

Williamsville, N.Y.,
University of Buffalo — B.S.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
RAYMOND NOEL, M.D.

Point Fortin, Trinidad, West Indies
Howard University — B.S.

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Thesis Honors:
"Treponematosis in the Caribbean"
Activities:
Buffalo Inner City Ballet; Buffalo
East Side Tennis Club; Community Action
Organization
Research Interests:
Epidemiology; Preventive Medicine

Cleveland Clinic Hospital
Cleveland, Ohio
Internal Medicine
MARIE-THERESE OBAMA, M.D.

Yaounde, Cameroun
Wellesley College — B.S.
State University-Kings County
Medical Center
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Pediatrics
BRUCE MARTIN NOHE JL, M.D.

Wading River, N.Y.
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — B.S.,
Chemistry

Honors:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Gynecology-Obstetrics
CHERYL ANN RAISLEY NOHEJL, M.D.

Jamestown, N.Y.
Westminster College – B.S., Math

Buffalo Children’s Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pediatrics
BRIAN D. PATTERSON, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Williams College — B.A.

Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
Los Angeles County Harbor General
Los Angeles, California
Pediatrics
WARREN W. PLESKOW, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A., Psychology

Activities:
Tennis, Piano, Softball, Skiing

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Flexible
"Nothing human is alien to me."

—Terence

"We are always in error
lost in the wood
standing in chaos
the original mess
creating
a brand new world"

—Kay

MELVIN POHL, M.D.

Hewlett, N.Y.
University of Michigan — B.S.

Activities:
Fellowship, Child Psychiatry, Children's Hospital

Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
CHRISTINE PRIVITERA, M.D.

Tonawanda, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A.

Organizations:
AAFP

Medical College of Virginia
Richmond, Virginia
Pediatrics
DENNIS R. PYSZCZYNISKI, M.D.

Cheektowaga, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A., Biology

Organizations:
PLK
Activities:
Sailing; Surgical Extern, EJMMH;
Student Directory '73-'74, '74-'75;
Yearbook '75-'76
Research Interests:
Phonocardiography, Summer '73;
Pharmacokinetics of Theophylline,
Summer '74

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
THOMAS L. RITTER, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Roberts Wesleyan College — B.S.

Organizations:
Christian Medical Society

Activities: Lakes Area Regional Medical Program, Summer Rural Extern; U.S. Army Clinical Clerkship; Deaconess Hospital Summer Fellowship

Phoenix Integ. Surg. Residency
Phoenix, Arizona
Surgery
ROBERT RUTKOWSKI, M.D.

Town of Tonawanda, N.Y.
Williams College — B.A.

Honors:
- James A. Gibson Anatomical Society
- Activities:
  - B.G.H. Surgical Extern

Pittsburgh University Health Center
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Surgery
AGNES SAMUEL, M.D.

Curepe, Trinidad
Howard University — B.S., Zoology

D.C. General Hospital
Washington, D.C.
Internal Medicine
CARLOS HUGH SCHENCK, M.D.

Manhattan, N.Y., N.Y.
Johns Hopkins University

Activities:
Hospital, Hospital, Hospital

Buffalo Children's Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Pediatrics
LAWRENCE BERNARD SCHLACHTER, M.D.

Brooklyn, N.Y.
Brooklyn College — B.A., Biology
SUNY at Buffalo — D.D.S.

Grady Memorial Hospital
Atlanta, Georgia
Surgery
It is through the collaboration which he stimulates in us that Christ, starting from all created things, is consummated and attains his plenitude. The creation was not finished long ago. It continues still more magnificently and at the highest levels of the world. And we serve to complete it, even by the humblest work of our hands. That is ultimately, the meaning and value of our actions.

—"Le Milieu Divin"

Teilhard de Chardin

PAUL SCHWACH, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Boston College — A.B.

Buffalo General Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Surgery
FREDRIC I. SEINFELD, M.D.

Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.
Penn State — B.S.

Activities:
Toad Hall President '72—'76

New York University Medical Center
New York, N.Y.
Surgery
CAROLE LYNNE SHEAR, M.D.

New York, N.Y.
University of Pennsylvania — B.A.

Mt. Sinai Medical Center
New York, N.Y.
Pediatrics

Happiness by P.L.

"...Now and then along life's pathway,
Some shining fragments fall;
But there are so many pieces
No one ever finds them all..."
VICKIE D. SIDOU, M.D.

Syracuse, N.Y.
University of Rochester — B.A., Biology

Honors:
Accepted for NIH Fellowship
Organizations:
Student Government
Activities:
Summer Fellowship in Medicine,
Kayaking, Golf, Tennis, Reading,
Cooking

Hartford Hospital
Hartford, Connecticut
Surgery
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RICHARD SILVERSTEIN, M.D.

New York, N.Y.
New York University — B.A.

Brookdale Hospital
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
GERALDINE K. SLEDZIESKI, M.D.

Lackawanna, N.Y.
SUNYAB – B.A., Biology

Honors:
Ernest Witebski Microbiology Award
Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society,
Vice President

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
THOMAS SMALL, M.D.

North Tonawanda, N.Y.
Williams College – B.A.

Medical College of Ohio at Toledo
Toledo, Ohio
Internal Medicine
MICHAEL ALLYN SMITH, M.D.

Hobgood, N.C.
North Carolina Central University – B.S.

Public Health Hospital
Staten Island, N.Y.
Flexible
OLIVIA SMITH, M.D.

Bronx, N.Y.
University of Pennsylvania — B.A.

Organizations:
SNMA

Deaconess Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
DAVID SOKAL, M.D.

Williamsville, N.Y.
Columbia College — B.A.

Organizations:
Christian Medical Society; Ressurection
House

Activities:
VISTA volunteer '70—'71, Montana;
Newspaper Reporter, Union-Sun &
Journal, Lockport, N.Y. '71—'72

Research Interests:
Mumps Virus as an Etiologic Agent
of Juvenile Diabetes

Phoenix Affiliated Hospitals
Phoenix, Arizona
Pediatrics

The were trying to trap him into saying something
they could use against him, but Jesus stooped
down and wrote in the dust with his finger. They
kept demanding an answer, so he stood up again
and said, "All right, hurl the stones at her until she
dies. But only he who never sinned may throw the
first!"

Then he stooped down again and wrote some more
in the dust. And they slipped away one by one,
beginning with the eldest, until only Jesus was left
in front of the crowd with the woman.

Then Jesus stood up again and said to her, "Where
are your accusers? Didn't even one of them
condemn you?"

"No sir," she said.

And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no
more."

John 8:6—11

There is a right time for everything:
A time to be born;
A time to die;
A time to plant;
A time to harvest;
A time to kill;
A time to heal;
A time to destroy;
A time to rebuild;
A time to cry;
A time to laugh;
A time to grieve;
A time to dance;
A time for scattering stones;
A time for gathering stones;
A time to hug;
A time not to hug;
A time to lose;
A time for keeping;
A time for throwing away;
A time to tear;
A time to repair;
A time to be quiet;
A time to speak up;
A time for loving;
A time for hating;
A time for war;
A time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1—8
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SUNY at Stony Brook - B.S.

Organizations:
SNMA

Methodist Hospitals
Indianapolis, Indiana
Flexible
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Elmira, N.Y.
SUNY at Binghamton – B.A.

Honors:
James A. Gibson–W.J. Atwell Award for Anatomical Sciences; President, James A. Gibson Anatomical Society '74–'75
Activities: Buffalo Pilots Assoc.; NAVI Scuba Diver; Skiing; Buffalo Aquarium Society

National Naval Medical Center
Bethesda, Md.
Internal Medicine
MICHAEL J. TAMUL, M.D.
Lancaster, N.Y.
SUC at Brockport – B.S., Biology

Honors:
Cum Laude from Undergraduate College
Activities:
Reading Science Fiction, Sports,
Football, Handball, Jogging
Research Interests:
Post Surgical Evaluation and
Etiology of Esophageal Atresia

E. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Anesthesiology
JOHN A. TARDINO, M.D.

Merrick, N.Y.
Yale University — B.A.

Activities:
Horticulture, Singing

Montefiore Hospital Center
New York, N.Y.
Family Practice
WARREN LOUIS THAU, M.D.

Brooklyn, N.Y.
Long Island University — B.S.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
LASZLO SANDOR TOMASCHEK, M.D.

Cleveland, Ohio
Cleveland State University — B.S.

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
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Elmhurst, N.Y.
McGill University – B.S., Genetics

Activities:
Medical Extern, Buffalo General Hospital;
Surgical Extern, E.J. Meyer Memorial Hospital; Lakes Area Regional Medical
Rural Externship Program; Dr. Henry Viet’s Myasthenia Gravis Research
Fellowship

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
DONALD ANDERSON TRACY, M.D.

Buffalo, N.Y.
Yale University — B.A.

St. Vincent’s Hospital
Norcester, Massachusetts
Internal Medicine
I have read many lines from many books throughout these many hard years. Some have challenged my mind, others have created fantasies and images that have allowed me the liberty to let my mind wander freely thus giving life to burdened hours. But the lines below have given me the incentive to blend my experiences together and experience a guideline to exist by.

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story. Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexations to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs; for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all avidity and disenchantment it is perennial as the grass. Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nature strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself, You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be careful. Strive to be happy.
JON VERBY, M.D.

Da Bronx, N.Y.
Univ. Buffalo – B.A., Psychology

Activities:
Treasurer, United Frisbee Workers;
Being Outside and Smiling

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Buffalo, N.Y.
Family Practice
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SUNY at Buffalo — B.A., English

Activities:
Backpacking, Canoeing, Skiing, Cooking,
Reading, Art History, English Literature

Washington Hospital Center
Washington, D.C.
Internal Medicine
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Elmhurst, N.Y.
Columbia University College of
Pharmaceutical Sciences — B.S.

Activities:
Raising a Family

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
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North Bellmore, N.Y.
SUNY at Buffalo — B.A.

Organizations:
IRT, IND, BMT

Activities:
Snaring, Tree Frog Hunting,
Truffle P.E. Trainer

SUNY at Buffalo Affiliated Hospitals
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine
Family Practice
Tucson, Arizona
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University of Buffalo – B.A.

L.B. Long Island, N.Y.

Barry Weiss, M.D.
To see a World in a Grain of Sand
And a Heaven in a Wild Flower,
Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand
And Eternity in an hour.

—William Blake

Land of Heart’s Desire,
Where beauty has no ebb, decay no flood,
But joy is wise

Land of Heart’s Desire,
Where beauty has no ebb, decay no flood,
But joy is wisdom, Time an endless song.

—William Butler Yeats

In the midst of winter, I finally learned
that there was in me an invincible summer.

—Albert Camus
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Boston College — B.S.

F. J. Meyer Memorial Hospital
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Surgery
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Articles:
A Study of Pseudarthrosis in Fractures of the Humerus

Buffalo General Hospital
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Internal Medicine
If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs, and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowances for their doubting, too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don’t deal in lies,
Or being hated, don’t give way to hating,
And yet don’t look too good nor talk too wise:
If you can dream and not make dreams your master,
If you can think, and not make thoughts your aim,
If you can meet with triumph and disaster,
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can hear in the truth you’ve spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build ’em up with worn-out tools;
If you can make one heap of all your winnings,
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings,
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the will which says to them: “Hold on!”
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings — no lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much!
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds’ worth of distance ran,
Yours is the Earth and everything that’s in it!

Rudyard Kipling
BRUMMITTE DALE WILSON, M.D.

Baton Rouge, La.
Canisius College — A.B.

Organizations:
Student National Medical Association
Activities:
Tennis, Horseback Riding, Neighborhood Clinic (SUNY)

Public Health Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts
Flexible
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Organizations:
James A. Gibson Anatomical Society

Activities:
Skiing, Sailing, Fishing & Hunting

Case Western Reserve Affiliated Hospitals
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Internal Medicine
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Organizations:
Association of Interns & Residents
Activities:
Athletics, Music, Singing, Piano,
Hiking, Camping
Research Interests:
Clinical Impact of Uremia (Azotemia)
on Febrile Response in Bacteremic
Infected Patients

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Psychiatry

"My sincere gratitude, appreciation and love to the three people who made it all possible: my parents, Mr. & Mrs. W.R. Wood, and my wife Helene.

"The future does not belong to those who are content with today ... it will belong to those who can blend passion, reason, and courage in a personal commitment."

Bill Wood
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James A. Gibson Anatomical Society,
Summer Fellow in Biochemistry '73-'74

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Ophthalmology
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B.S.
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Research Interests:
Immunology

Millard Fillmore Hospital
Buffalo, N.Y.
Internal Medicine

Stranger, there is no path,
Paths are made by walking.
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Pyschiatry

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University of Rochester — B.A.
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Metropolitan Hospital Center
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Internal Medicine

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Strong Memorial Hospital
Rochester, N.Y.
Pathology

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Buffalo, N.Y.
University of Buffalo — B.A.
The Fairfax Hospital
Falls Church, Virginia
Family Practice
"Once upon a time..."

"I can't find it anywhere."

"No kidding! His serum porcelain level was 72%!"

"No, Buffy, they aren't all looking at us."

"Dear God, please let there be no botulism in this food."

"...and the weather is always nice like this in Buffalo."

Arnold Wax and Hartwig Beopple and all their friends.

"Quick, before they move."

"You really don't have to raise your hand to leave the room."

"Four more years of this?"

"Doctor, Doctor, what's ailing me?"

"I know it's in here somewhere."
Would you buy a used stethoscope from these doctors?  

Wild medical student party.

Smile, you're on candid camera!

"If this is a picnic, where are the ants?"

"I'll trade you two Saturdays for..."

Not only did it shrink her hemorrhoids..."

"Is this Meyer Hospital or Farmer Brown's carrot patch?"

"You'd think they'd have hired a bartender."

Keep back, he's contagious.

Use your imagination.

Say aah!

The Doctors Ritter receive their new assignments.
Organizations
alpha Omega alpha

Serafin Anderson  Stan Kramer  Stephen Levitt  Arthur Mays
Leonard Metildi

Erwin Montgomery  Nancy Nielsen  Brain Patterson  Geraldine Sledzieski

Tim Spurling  Linda Wild  Peter Wittlinger  Ted Zak
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**Women's Medical Student Association**

The Women's Medical Student Association was formed to fulfill some of the needs and interests of women as students of medicine. Most importantly, we have the chance to get to know each other better in an unstructured, non-academic setting. A meeting is an excuse to get together with other women to share feelings, problems and ideas. It provides an opportunity for getting moral support and informal academic advice. Because we are concerned about the problems of being professional women, we have invited several faculty members, including Drs. Mildred Gordon and Judith Lehotay, to our meetings to discuss their experiences. We want to know what kind of unique situations we will encounter as women physicians in order to be better prepared to deal with them.

A major benefit of the Women's Association is that it gives us the chance to meet women in different classes, from whom we are usually segregated. We can find out from the women ahead of us what to expect in the coming year — contact is established with people who have already been through it. And it's nice to see a familiar face when you enter the student lounge or a hospital. For the first year women, the orientation supper introduced them not only to the upper class students but also to each other.

Any woman medical student interested in getting together with other women can participate in any of the activities.
BARBICUE - SLAUTER
1st ANNUAL
ALUMNI-FACULTY-STUDENT-
SHINDIG:
Tuesday, February 8th, 1921
8 P. M.
UNIVERSITY CLUB
ALLEN AND DELAWARE
DOINS:
Musik, Glee Club, Magicians, Shimmy Dancers,
Sword Swallower, Community Singing,
Target Practice;
Talent supplied by the Students of the Medical Department.
Eggs and Fruit will be furnished at the door:
Prizes for best Act:
Protein--Carbohydrate--Fat--Vitamin--Diet
Under the auspices of Joint Committee of the Alumni and Faculty
of the Medical Department:
FOR M. D'S ONLY
FREE
COMMITTEE
Wally Machamer--Ace Aaron.
P.S.--Write a H for Your Radiator so you can stay late.

Student National Medical Association

Franklin Marsh
President

SNMA Inner City Health Clinic

Christian Medical Society

Ira Salom
President
Richard Sternberg
Vice-President
Robert Armstrong
Coordinator
Benjamin Rush Society

Ira Salom

Linda Schenck

Jeffrey Seitelman

Buffalo Meds Hockey Team

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Greg Bennet
Michael Blume
Warren Evins
Frank Gillig
Mark Glassman
Tom Mazzone
Paul Miles-Mathias
Jeffrey Pitts
Kenneth Rich
David Sangster
Mario Santilli
Curt Steinhart
Richard Sternberg
Charles Tracy
Donald Tracy
Paul Woppler

Alan Koslow
Trainer
IRIS Staff

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Grant Golden — Art

Serafin Anderson
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Al Benson

Tim Gabryel
Erwin Montgomery
Pat Hayes
Jane Bailey
Paul Paroski
Doug Waldo
Joe Buran
Carl Bodenstein
Underclassmen
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Paul Wopperer  

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