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*****Graduating senior Dr. Paul Peters
receives surgery award.

DALLAS--Dr. Paul Peters Jr., a 1984 University of Texas Southwestern Medical School graduate, has recently been honored as the recipient of the Hudson-Penn Award in Surgery.

The Hudson-Penn award is presented annually by The U. T. Health Science Center at Dallas Surgery Department to the senior medical student "whose performance in the surgery course and attitudes toward the care of surgical patients represent the highest standards of Southwestern Medical School. A high level of achievement is required, however the most important criteria include maturity of purpose and true concern for patients and their problems." The prize is given each year without regard to the individual's future career goals and is accompanied by a \$500 honorarium.

The award, established in 1979, is named for two distinguished Dallas families who have endowed the Chair in Surgery, held by chairman of the department Dr. William Fry. The two families have been interested and generous benefactors of the medical school.

Peters, son of Urology Chairman Dr. Paul Peters Sr., will soon begin a residency in orthopedics at Parkland Memorial Hospital. He has selected orthopedics because "it's a satisfying area in which patients usually get better in a reasonable amount of time.

"With new techniques and technologies revolutionizing orthopedics, the area is opening up and changing daily," says Peters.

Peters graduated from Highland Park High School in 1976 and The University of Texas in Austin in 1980. At UT he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Since entering Southwestern he has served as president of the medical fraternity Phi Beta Pi. He has done a one-month internship in Salt Lake City under orthopedic surgeons Drs. Sherman Coleman and Harold Dunn. For more than a year Peters has worked with Dr. Vert Mooney, chairman of Orthopedics at Southwestern, in research on disk disease.

Peters is active in Highland Park United Methodist Church and is a member of the Dervish and Calyx Clubs, which annually host Dallas debutante balls.

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