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STUDENT-FACULTY DINNER DANCE March 26

The annual Student-Faculty Dinner will be held on March 26. Expectations for another successful party are looking good. Again this year married and unmarried students are invited. Anyone interested in helping with the class skits should contact their class SAMA representatives. Kaye Wilkins is in charge of general arrangements.

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SAMA, STUDENT, AND SOUTHWESTERN

I want to briefly introduce you to SAMA the Student American Medical Association.

The purpose of SAMA is to serve as the local government for the student. The objectives of SAMA are to advance the profession of medicine; contribute to the welfare of medical students, interns, and residents; to familiarize its members with the purposes and ideals of organized medicine; and to prepare its members to meet the social, moral, and ethical obligations of the profession of medicine. More concisely stated, the local chapter serves as a liaison between the students and the administration, and the medical profession. In this regard concise and organized requests may be conveyed between the two respective bodies in an efficient fashion.

NEW DEAN OF STUDENT AFFAIRS APPOINTED

Dr. W. Kemp Clark has been appointed Dean of Student Affairs, effective September 1, 1965. Dr. Clark is Associate Professor of Surgery and Chairman of the Neurological Surgery Division.

Dr. Clark is a native Texan; received his B.A. from the University of Texas in 1945 and his M.D. from the Medical Branch at Galveston in 1948. His residency work in General and Orthopedic Surgery was done at Indiana University Medical Center and in Neurological Surgery at Columbia - Presbyterian Medical Center.

We welcome Dr. Clark and look forward to his efforts in our behalf.

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NEWS BRIEFS

*** Dedication of the new Danciger Research Building and the New Skillern Student Union is upcoming sometime later in the Spring.

*** Upon his return from international medical meetings in Tokyo, Dr. S. M. McCann has taken up his duties as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Physiology.

NEWS BRIEFS CON'T.

**** Dr. Richard Burk, formerly at Ohio State University, arrived January 1 and is now active as Professor and Chairman of the Department of P.M.R.

*** Dr. Robert Langdon, presently at Johns Hopkins, will arrive as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Biochemistry the early part of the summer.

*** On an experimental basis The New Physician will be sent to freshman students at the medical school rather than private addresses. If this proves feasible, all classes will go over to this plan.

*** Bill Neal has announced that SAMA is to receive a Xerox machine for the use of the members.

*** Bill Neal and John Lanius represented the Southwestern Chapter of SAMA at the T.M.A. meeting held September 25, 1965. John Lanius was our representative to the Chapter President's Meeting held August 17, 1965.

*** The annual Student Research Forum was held November 17, 1965. Guest speaker was Dr. Arnold S. Relman. His topic: Renal Acidosis. Each of the papers presented attested to the fine ability of students engaged in medical research and to the research opportunities available at Southwestern.

**** Look for progress at Southwestern. A new Library building and an extension of the Basic Science Building are in the future plans.

*** The Student Union has recently received ping-pong and billiard tables and is progressing toward completion of facilities.

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SAMA, STUDENT AND SOUTHWESTERN CON'T

SAMA also serves as a service organization, one aspect of which you have already encountered, the freshman interview program. Some of the other service programs which SAMA conducts are the intramural sports program, the Student-Faculty Dinner-Dance, the Student Research Forum at which papers of original student research are presented, a compilation in the Spring of many of the summer research positions available in the medical school, to name just a few.

Our major goal for the year is to establish better communication between not only the students and the faculty but also between the four classes of medical students. Over the past several years there has developed a feeling that SAMA is a distinct and separate entity from the student body. This is not so! SAMA exists for and as a result of the students themselves and we are going to try to correct this feeling of separation as much as possible. We hope to achieve this by the industriousness of all concerned (i.e. Southwestern Medical School) and are open for any suggestions at any time. Remember that we, the officers, are elected by the students to represent them in the airing of any gripes, pleas, requests for changes in curriculum, etc.

> John Lanius SAMA Chapter Vice-President

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64-65 IN REVIEW

Sept. 1964 - The stage was set for another dynamic year .

October 1964 - Final plans were approved for the construction of the Skillern Student Union. Nov. 1964 - The first homo-kidney transplant in Dallas was performed at Parkland Memorial Hosp. Dec. 1964 - "Stake out" ceremonies were held for the Children's Medical Center.

Jan. 1965 - Ground was broken for the Skillern Student Union.

Feb. 1965 - The Student Research Forum proved a successful demonstration of the research capacity of Southwestern students.

March 1965 - The Marriott Motel hardly could contain the fun and laughter from the Student-Faculty Dinner Dance.

April 1965 - Southwestern achieved a place of influence in SAMA when its own John Heard was elected Regional Vice-President; Dr. Charles LeMaistre was named Associate Dean to replace Dr. Carter Pannill who left for the South Texas Medical School in San Antonio as new Dean.

May 1965 - Dr. Donald Seldin was elected the national president of the American Society for Clinical Investigation; Dr. Robert Lackey's retirement as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs was a loss felt by all those associated with Southwestern Medical School.

June, July, Aug. 1965 - The Skillern Student Union was opened for use; occupancy of the new Danciger Research Building was begun; construction the Children's Medical Center was begun. October 1965 - Dr. Frank Harrison, Associate Dean of the Medical School and Associate Dean of the Graduate School was named Dean of the Graduate School of Arlington State College.