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DALLAS--Graduation ceremonies of The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School will be almost "all in the family" when 102 new physicians receive their M.D. degrees Monday night (June 5).

Three members of the Boone family, whose members combine traditions in medicine and ministry, will be participants in the medical school's 30th Commencement exercises, to be held at 8 p.m. Monday in McFarlin Auditorium at Southern Methodist University.

Dr. Hal Buckner Boone, a 1956 graduate of UT Southwestern who also holds degrees from Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, will deliver the invocation and benediction for the graduating class that includes his son, Hal Browing Boone, and a nephew, Carroll Robert Boone.

Two of Dr. Boone's brothers also are Southwestern Medical School graduates: Dr. Carroll Leon Boone, who finished in 1953, and Dr. James Byron Boone, who received his degree in 1951. All three are general practitioners in Pasadena, Tex., a Houston suburb.

The Boones' father was the late Rev. C.L. Boone, a longtime Baptist minister in Texas.

Dr. Hal Buckner Boone, a native of Waco, served as a medical missionary in Uganda, East Africa, for the Southern Baptist Convention in the 1950s before entering private medical practice.

Southwestern's 1972 graduates, continuing last year's tradition-breaking pattern, will hear two Commencement speakers of their own choosing at the Monday night exercises. They are Dr. Bryan Williams, associate dean for student affairs, and James Douglas Waltner, president of the senior class.

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In addition to the 102 M.D.'s, the medical school will award 13 Doctor of Philosophy degrees--a record number for any one year--to graduates in scientific studies including anatomy, clinical psychology, microbiology, pharmacology, physiology and radiobiology. Degrees will be conferred by Dan C. Williams of Dallas, member of the UT System Board of Regents.

University of Texas Chancellor Charles LeMaistre also will take part in the program, to be presided over by Southwestern Dean Charles C. Sprague. Dr. Paul C. MacDonald, chairman of UTSWMS' Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, will administer the Physician's Oath.

A highlight of the ceremonies will be presentation of the Award of Ho Din by the Southwestern Medical Foundation to an outstanding senior medical student. Alfred I. Davies, vice president of the Foundation, will make the presentation.

Dr. F. Douglas Lawrason, associate dean for academic affairs, will present candidates for the Doctor of Medicine degree. Dr. Parkhurst Shore, associate dean for graduate studies, will present candidates for the Doctor of Philosophy degree.

This year's 115 graduates bring to 2,617 the total number of medical, scientific and medical art degrees awarded by Southwestern since its founding in 1943. Of these, 2,482 have been Doctors of Medicine.

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