SECOND CORPORATE LECTURE TO BE HELD AT FALL MEETING

M. Donald Blaufox, M.D., Ph.D., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Nuclear Medicine at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, will be the Society's second Corporate Lecturer at the fall meeting on October 19 at the Nassau Club in Princeton. Dr. Blaufox will deliver a paper titled "Latter Day Encounters with Radium: Changing Concepts of the Benefits and Evils of Radioactivity." The Corporate Lecture is supported by donations from New Jersey pharmaceutical companies.

Papers to be presented are:

"Why Did New Jersey Become a Center for Pharmaceutical Innovation? The Case of the Merck Research Laboratories"

Jeffrey L. Sturchio, Ph.D., Director, Science and Technology Policy, Merck & Co., Inc.

"Tuberculosis: Why the 'White Plague'?"

Allen B. Weisse, M.D., Professor of Medicine, UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School

Corporate Lecture

"Latter Day Encounters with Radium: Changing Concepts of the Benefits and Evils of Radioactivity"

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Members, students and friends are invited to attend this dinner meeting. Registration begins at 4:15 p.m. The cost is $30 including dinner and a cocktail or soft drink. For information and registration, contact Lisa Fleisher, MHSNJ, 14 Washington Road, Suite 101, Princeton Junction, NJ 08550, 609/275-1911.

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Harry Block, M.D., was nominated for an award in education by the American Pediatric Association to be granted at the 1994 convention. The nomination is based on Dr. Block's writing over 100 essays in medical history published in over 20 journals including the Bulletin of the Association.

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Vincent J. Cirillo, Ph.D. candidate at Rutgers University, won the Margaret Hastings and Margaret Judson Fellowship for 1994-1995. The fellowship is awarded to a graduate student who has demonstrated unusual excellence in history.

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The American Institute of the History of Pharmacy Symposium on the Evolution of American Pharmacy held in Seattle on March 21 was opened with a "Tribute to Professor David L. Cowen on the 60th anniversary of his First History of Pharmacy Publication." Professor Cowen participated in the Symposium, presenting a paper on the "Development of State Pharmacy Law." On April 30, he was a recipient of the Continuing Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Association for the History of Medicine at the annual banquet of the Association at its New York meeting. David Cowen participated actively with Morris Saffron, M.D., in the founding of this Society. He served as president from 1982-1984 and was Saffron Lecturer in 1991.

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Gerald N. Grob, Ph.D., Henry E. Sigerist Professor of the History of Medicine, Rutgers University, has been named an honorary member of the MHSNJ by the Executive Committee. Dr. Grob will be installed at the fall meeting on October 19.

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Donald Light, Ph.D., UMDNJ-School of Osteopathic Medicine, will present a five-part lecture on the "Origins of the Health Reform Dilemmas" as the Roger Bulger Visiting Professor at the University of Texas in November.

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Sandra Moss, M.D., immediate past president of MHSNJ, planned and installed two photographic exhibits at St. Peter's Medical Center in New Brunswick on the history of medicine and on William Osler, M.D. "A Plague Among Children: the Story of Diphtheria" was Dr. Moss's recent contribution at St. Peter's Pediatric Grand Rounds.
MHSNJ Vice President Murray A. Rosenberg, M.D., presented "The Courtmartial of Surgeon General William A. Hammond" at the annual conference sponsored by the National Museum of Civil War Medicine, August 7-8, in Frederick, MD.

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Helen Sheehan, Ph.D., delivered "Is It in My Backyard? The Chromium Waste Crisis in Jersey City, New Jersey" on the medical sociology/environmental sociology panel, "Health and the Environment," at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in San Diego in August. The paper was co-authored by Society member Richard P. Wedeen, M.D., and I. Udasin.

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James E. Strick, Ph.D. candidate at Princeton University’s Program in History of Science, was awarded a National Science Foundation (NSF) Dissertation Work-in-Progress grant for 1994-1996. The NSF grant funded a research trip from August to October to archives in London, Paris, and Edinburgh on the British spontaneous generation debate, 1860-1880. Mr. Strick presented "Swimming Against the Tide: Adrianus Fijpar and the Debate Over Bacterial Flagella, 1946-1956" at the 30th Annual Joint Atlantic Seminar in History of Biology at M.I.T. in April. He will present the same paper at the annual meeting of the History of Science Society’s panel on 20th century bacteriology in New Orleans in October.

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Richard P. Wedeen, M.D. was interviewed by National Public Radio the week of June 27 on the New Jersey radium dial painters.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

100 BOOKS FAMOUS IN MEDICINE
September 20 – November 23, 1994

The Grolier Club of New York has mounted a milestone public exhibition of books and manuscripts of importance in the history of medicine. "100 Books Famous in Medicine" chronicles the evolution of medical knowledge from the classical period up to the invention of the CAT scan in 1973. The exhibition brings together for the first time the 100 texts which have been most influential in the development of the health sciences, including the original editions of works by Andreas Vesalius, William Harvey, Edward Jenner, and Alexander Fleming, among many others. It traces the dissemination of formative medical theories and discoveries from the ancient
world to the present, from the writings of Hippocrates to those of James Watson and Francis Crick. Special care has been taken to show that copy of each text which is significant for its associations, provenance, binding, or illustrations. The exhibition was organized by Dr. Haskell F. Norman whose own distinguished collection of books on medicine has been assembled over a 40-year period. In choosing and describing the works to be exhibited, Dr. Norman enlisted assistance of noted collectors, librarians, historians, and booksellers. More than thirty public and private libraries are included among the lenders. An illustrated catalog (250 illustrations, many in color), written by leading experts in the history of medicine, accompany the exhibition. It is conceived as an intellectual, scientific, and bibliographical introduction to the study of books in the history of medicine. The catalog, designed and printed by the Stinehour Press, is the most ambitious Grolier Club project to date.

The exhibition is free and open to the public. The Grolier Club hours are Monday-Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm.

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A grant was awarded to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) Libraries, Special Collections Department, by the New Jersey Historical Commission to conduct oral history interviews with representatives of organizations that have emerged in response to the need for support services for people with AIDS/HIV. Transcripts of interviews obtained during the "New Jersey AIDS Oral History Project" will be added to a special collection at the UMDNJ-G. F. Smith Library in Newark on the history of the epidemic in New Jersey. For information about the project or the collection: Special Collections Department, UMDNJ Libraries, 30 12th Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103-2754; phone 201/982-6293.

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"Mutiny and Medicine," an international conference on the history of medicine and health, will be held July 2-5, 1995 on Norfolk Island, Australia. Sponsored by the Australian Society for History of Medicine, conference themes include convict health and medicine, history of penal systems and medical aspects of incarceration, military and garrison medicine and health, outpost medicine and health, and maritime medical history. To be placed on the mailing list or to express an interest in presenting a paper or poster session contact: Conference Secretariat, Dr. John Thearle, Australian Society for History of Medicine, Department of Child Health, Mater Children's Hospital, Brisbane Q. 4101, Australia; telephone, (07) 840 8935; fax, (07) 844 9069.
The 1st Medical Olympiad and 35th International Congress on the History of Medicine will be held in September 1996 on the island of Kos, Greece. The Meeting is organized by the International Hippocratic Foundation of Kos (IHFK). For more information on the forthcoming congress contact, the IHFK U.S. representative and MHSNJ member, Christos Moschos, M.D., UMDNJ-NJMS, 201/982-4735.

Dr. Jonathan Gill, an archeologist with the state of New Jersey, contacted the MHSNJ regarding an archeological site in Mercer County. An ossuary, consisting of five caskets of human bones, was removed from a building site at the Mercer County Vocational School in West Windsor. Interested members of the Society are invited to examine and study these remains which are thought to date from the 19th century, but may be as early as the 17th or 18th century. If interested, call Dr. Gill or Ms. Jenny Clevenger at 609/587-7640.

The New Jersey Historical Commission grant program for New Jersey history projects offers $1,000 to $8,000 to fund exhibitions, classroom projects, publications, public events, films, and other activities that advance public knowledge of New Jersey history, including medical history. Application deadlines for this fiscal year are October 1 and February 1, 1995. The Commission also offers minigrants up to $1,000 in all categories. For grant guidelines and applications, contact the Commission at 609/292-6062.

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