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Sixty-four members paid their 1986 dues. Those who were two or more years in arrears - ignoring repeated reminders - were dropped from the active roster.

ELECTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting at Lawrenceville on 07 May 1986.

President	Vincent J. Cirillo
Vice President	Richard P. Wedeen
Treasurer	Estelle Brodman
Secretary	Robert L. Thompson

The Executive Committee met at Woodbridge on 17 June 1986, and made the following committee appointments:

Program	Charles Vevier (Chairman), David Cowen and Barbara Irwin
Membership	Philip Rosenstein (Chairman), Richard Middleton and Allen Weisse
Oral History	Robert Thompson (Chairman)

MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting was held in Lawrenceville on 07 May 1986. The program included:

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| William J. Snape, M.D. | "Popular Reaction to Epidemic Influenza, Camden, 1918" |
| Robert L. Thompson, Ed.D. | "A.T. Still Sounds the Alarm: Osteopathy and the Controversy over Biological Remedies" |
| Allen B. Weisse, M.D. | "Say it Isn't No: The Power of Positive Thinking in the Publication of Medical Research" |

The 7th Annual Morris H. Saffron Lecture was presented by Ynez Viole O'Neill, Ph.D., Professor of Medical History at UCLA, who spoke about "An Unfinished Scientific Revolution - Medieval Anatomical Studies."

The Fall Meeting was held on 22 October 1986 at the UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway. This was the first dinner meeting in the Society's history, and it was supported, in part, by a generous gift of \$500 from Dean Richard C. Reynolds.

The program was as follows:

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| Leon D. Hankoff, M.D. | "Philo and Freud: Philo's Interpretation of Dreams" |
| Jacob Lindenthal, Ph.D. | "The Ethnic Variable: An Epidemiological Contribution to Medical History" |

The after-dinner address delivered by James W. Reed, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History at Rutgers College in New Brunswick was entitled "Sex Research in America: The Heroic Era, 1910-1960."

LIST OF HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS

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5. Estelle Brodman: William Beaumont and the transfer of biomedical information. Fed. Proc., 44: 9-17 (1985).
6. Estelle Brodman: The physician as consumer of medical literature. Bull. N.Y. Acad. Med., 61: 266-274 (1985).
7. Estelle Brodman: Medical library service in the Western Pacific. Sci. Tech. Lib., 5: 45-52 (1985).
8. Estelle Brodman: The doctor's tools: from saddlebag to hospital. Caduceus, 1: 1-37 (1985).
9. Estelle Brodman: Computers and the historic milieu of health services libraries. Behavioral Social Sci. Lib., 4: 15-20 (1985).
10. Estelle Brodman: Janet Doe, 1895-1985. Bull. Med. Lib. A., 74: 188-189 (1986).
11. Estelle Brodman: Foreward In: Eugene Garfield, Essays of an Information Scientist, v. 8, pp. xiii-xvii. Phila., Institute for Scientific Information (1986).
12. Estelle Brodman: The end of the triumvirate. Mary Louise Marshall, 1893-1896. Bull. Med. Lib. A., 74: 288-291 (1986).
13. Estelle Brodman: Frank Bradway Rogers, 1914- . ALA World Encyclopedia of Library and Information Services. 2nd ed. Chicago, A.L.A., pp. 710-711 (1986).
14. Estelle Brodman: Scott Adams, 1909-1982. Dictionary of American Library Biography. 2nd ed. Littleton, Col., Libraries Unlimited, Inc. (1987), in press .

15. David L. Cowen: Review of Penicillin: Meeting the Challenge by Gladys L. Hobby. In: J. Hist. Med. Allied Sci., 41: 230-232 (1986).
16. David L. Cowen: Review of Bibliography of the History of Medicine, No. 20, 1980-1984. In: Pharm. Hist., 28: 202-203 (1986).
17. David Hamilton and James T. Goodrich: An Illustration of Skin Graft Rejection and Sympathetic Medicine from 1661. Bull. Hist. Med., 60: 217-221 (1986).
18. William H. Helfand: Review of Le Prime Farmacopee Italiane ed in particolare dei Ricettari Fiorentini by Alfonso Corradi. In: Bull. Hist. Med., 60: 121-122 (1986).
19. William B. Ober: All the Colours of the Rimbaud. Med. Heritage, 2: 187-207 (1986).
20. James Reed: Review of Reproductive Rituals: The Perception of Fertility in England from the Sixteenth Century to the Nineteenth Century by Angus McLaren. In: Bull. Hist. Med., 60: 441-442 (1986).
21. Fred B. Rogers: The Family and Mental Health. Penn. Med., 89: 50-51 (1986).
22. Fred B. Rogers: Dr. Albert L. Shelton (1875-1922) and the Tibetan Collection in the Newark (New Jersey) Museum. Trans. & Studies Coll. Phys. Phila., 8: 101-103 (1986).
23. Fred B. Rogers: Historical Perspective, chapter 2, pp 8-23, in Stewart G. Wolfe, Jr. and Albert J. Finestone (eds), Occupational Stress: Health and Performance at Work, Littleton, Mass., PSG Publishing Company, Inc. (1986).
24. Morris H. Saffron: Review of Sefer Hanisyonot: The book of Medical Experiences Attributed to Abraham Ibn Ezra by J. O. Leibowitz and S. Marcus (eds). In: J. Hist. Med. Allied Sci., 41: 101-102 (1986).
25. William D. Sharpe: Review of Historische Konzepte einer Theoretischen Pathologie by Heinrich Schipperges. In: Bull. Hist. Med., 60: 436 (1986).
26. William D. Sharpe: Women are proverbially hopeful: Newark's voluntary hospitals, 1867-1890. Bull. N.Y. Acad. Med., 62: 336-368 (1986).
27. William J. Snape: Popular Reaction to Epidemic Influenza, Camden, 1918. N.J. Med. (1987), in press.

28. Richard P. Wedeen: Kidney Punch: The Legacy of Lead Poisoning. M.D. Magazine, 30: 143-155 (1986).

ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM

Since the program's inception in 1982, thirteen interviews have been conducted relating to "The Health Professions in New Jersey During the Great Depression, 1929-1939." Six transcripts have been finalized and bound, with duplicate copies stored in the archives at Lawrenceville and Newark. Dr. Robert Thompson, Chairman of the Oral History Program, is presently editing transcripts from the interviews with four senior osteopaths. Volunteers are needed to serve on the Oral History Committee if this useful program is to continue.

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE CELEBRATION

On 12 November 1986 the MHSNJ cosponsored a program at the UMDNJ-George Smith Library in Newark to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Academy of Medicine of New Jersey. After brief addresses by the Dr. Stanley S. Bergen, Jr., President UMDNJ, Dr. Arthur Krosnick, President AMNJ and Mr. Vincent J. Cirillo, President MHSNJ, Dr. Francesco Cordasco spoke on "Medical Therapeutics in 19th Century America, Historical Analogues of Medical Practice and Social Change." Details will be published in the January 1987 issue of New Jersey Medicine.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next annual meeting will be held on 06 May 1987 at the Academy of Medicine in Lawrenceville. The Morris H. Saffron Lecturer will be Dr. Kenneth M. Ludmerer, Washington University, St. Louis, MO.

Another dinner meeting will be planned for October 1987, because of the success of this year's meeting.

The 1988 annual meeting will be devoted to a special topic: women in New Jersey medicine, and will coincide with the inauguration of Dr. Palma Formica as the first woman president of the Academy of Medicine of New Jersey. The papers presented will form part of a special issue of New Jersey Medicine; Dr. Estelle Brodman was recommended by the Executive Committee to serve as the guest editor.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Please send all abstracts (~200 words) for the annual meeting scheduled for 06 May 1987 to Dr. Charles Vevier, Program Committee Chairman.

1987 DUES

All members are urged to pay their dues as soon as possible. A bill is enclosed with this newsletter for your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Vincent J. Cirillo".

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