HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME BACK!

REMINDER FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER DAYS
As it seems that winter weather has arrived, it's a good time to remind you that only President John LaRosa can declare SUNY Downstate closed due to inclement weather. However, the separate colleges or individual course directors may cancel classes due to inclement weather. To learn about the status of classes, check the SUNY Downstate website, or listen to the school closing announcements on the TV and radio, or contact the general operator for SUNY Downstate.

SAFETY REMINDER
University Police has reminds all of us to use good judgement when traveling to and from campus. The holiday season is traditionally a period of increased crime throughout New York City. Avoid walking in the evening hours (6 p.m.-7 a.m.) alone and use the escort service to public transportation, the parking lots or to KCH for a radius of 6 blocks of the campus. University Police prefers we use the Church Avenue station and call 270-2626 and the van will pick you up from the station.

STEP 1, USMLE
The National Boards announced on December 12, 2003 that the passing score for Step 1 would remain at 182 at the present time.

WHAT SHOULD I DO ON MY SUMMER VACATION FOR MS 1?
Remember to mark this date on your calendar – Tuesday, January 13, 2004 at 3:30 p.m.

IDENTITY THEFT
The Department of Education has created a web site to help students avoid credit card theft and other forms of identity theft.

LOUIS SEAMAN MEDCIAL STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS IN MICROBIOLOGY
Four grants will each provide a stipend of $2500 for MD students. The deadline for submission of an application is March 1, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board. Online: www.nyam.org/grants/seaman/index.shtml

FERDINAND VALENTINE MEDICAL STUDENT RESEARCH GRANT IN UROLOGY
Four grants will each provide a stipend of $2500 for M.D. students pursuing basic science or research projects in urology. The deadline for submission of an application is March 1, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board. Online: www.nyam.org/grants/valentine/student.shtml.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION MEDICAL STUDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM
8, 10, or 12 week awards anytime during June 1, 2004-May 31, 2005 for students to carry out cardiovascular research in California, Nevada or Utah. $480/week stipend. Application forms available at www.americanheart.org. Application deadline March 8, 2004.

GLORNEY-RAISBECK MEDICAL STUDENT GRANTS IN CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH
Three grants will each provide a stipend of $2500 for M.D. students. The deadline for submission of an application is March 1, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board. Applications available from Sheila Gray, NY Acad of Medicine.

HOWARD HUGHES MEDICAL INSTITUTE – NIH RESEARCH SCHOLARS PROGRAM (Cloister Program)
Most students participate as Research Scholars after their 2nd or 3rd year of medical school. Students may work on basic, translational or applied biomedical research. Prior research experience may be advantageous but is not required. You select your preceptor and research project after your acceptance into the program. Students chosen as HHMI-NIH Research Scholars (about 40 are selected each year – we have had students chosen for this program) will work at the NIH for approximately one year, beginning July 15 and August 31. The salary for one year is $17,800. Moving expenses and subsidized, on-campus housing are also part of the program. The application forms are now on-line at www.hhmi.org/cloister/download.html. The deadline for receipt of completed applications is January 10, 2004.


NEW!
 You can apply to both the cloister and non-cloister programs NIH Intramural labs: http://www1.od.nih.gov/oir/sourcebook/sci-prgms/sci-prgms-toc.htm
NIH Special Interest Groups: http://www.nih.gov/sigs/sigs.html

HHS INNOVATION IN HEALTH PROMOTION AWARD
The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) is soliciting papers for the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Award for Innovation in Health Promotion and Disease Prevention. This competition, known as the Secretary's Award, is an opportunity for medical students to describe their innovative health-promotion or disease-prevention projects and have them considered for cash awards from the federal government.

Awards for single-discipline entries (medicine only) are $3,000 for first place, $2,500 for second place, and $1,500 for third place.

Awards for interprofessional entries (medicine and one or more health professions) are $7,500 for first place, $5,000 for second place, and $3,000 for third place.

Visit www.aamc.org/about/awards/ for information about eligibility, entry categories, criteria, entry checklist, and selection process. Medical students must submit their papers to their faculty sponsor by February 1, 2004; and to the Office of Student Affairs by February 13, 2004. The AAMC must receive all medical student single-discipline submissions no later than March 12, 2004. Late submission will be disqualified. Submissions should be sent to Juan
THE SARNOFF FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
This program offers medical students who have completed their second or third year of medical school to conduct research for one year. Prior research experience is not a prerequisite. The annual stipend is $25,000. We have one application in the Office of Student Affairs. The fellowship program’s website is www.SarnoffEndowment.org. Application deadline is January 16, 2004. Poster in glass bulletin board.

DORIS DUKE CLINICAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
The Doris Duke Clinical Research Fellowship Program provides one-year fellowships to medical students who have completed at least two or more years of medical school, to spend an extra year in one of 10 clinical research training, beginning July, 2004. Fellows will receive stipends of $20,000 plus health insurance to spend a year conducting clinical research and receiving didactic training. Go to http://ddcf.aibs.org/crf2000/index.asp to complete an application form electronically. Applications are due on January 15, 2004. Additional program information including links to each school’s program web site is listed on our web site at http://ddcf.aibs.org. Flyer in glass bulletin board.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ACADEMIC STATUS?
Make an individual appointment to get your questions answered personally, and in detail
MS 1 and MS 2 – See Dr. Flax or Dr. Terracina
MS 3 – See Ms. Christoforou or Dr. Terracina

WANT TO SEE YOUR ACADEMIC FILE?
You can see your academic file by going to the Office of the Registrar during regular office hours and showing your Downstate ID card. Remember to always keep your current mailing address and telephone number on file with the Office of the Registrar. By the way, your academic file is not sent to residency programs. An application for residency consists of completing an application form (usually ERAS), submitting an official medical school transcript, submitting letters of recommendation, submitting a MSPE (formerly known as the Dean's Letter) and in some cases submitting USMLE score(s).

LISTSERV FOR STEP 2B – USMLE CLINICAL EXAM
The National Boards has started a listserv to facilitate discussion on the clinical exam. It is primarily for students and other interested individuals. For details on how to join the list, log onto www.nbme.org/listserv.asp

STANDARDIZED PATIENT PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL BOARDS
The National Boards is including a test of clinical skills as part of the USMLE (passing required for licensure) Step 2, starting with the Class of 2005. The inclusion of standardized patient experiences in the curriculum of SUNY Downstate is advantageous to acclimate you to what will be part of your required competencies in the future. Make the most of the opportunity! Third year students, in particular, should practice, practice, practice, their history and physical exams! An article on the Standardized Patient Program of the National Boards is posted in the glass bulletin board.

At the May 12, 2003, meeting of the AAMC-NBME Liaison Committee in Washington, DC, the NBME made the following information available about implementation of the new CSE.

- The tentative date for implementation of the CSE is June 2004 for members of the 2005 graduating class.
- The CSE will produce three component scores: an Integrated Clinical Encounter (based on the checklist from the standardized patients and global ratings of the encounter note), an assessment of Communication skills, and an assessment of English Language skills.
- All three components of the CSE must be passed in order to achieve a passing score on the CSE. A failure in any one component will result in a failing score on the CSE.
- USMLE Step 2 will consist of two components: Clinical Knowledge and Clinical Skills.
- In order to be eligible to sit for USMLE Step 3, an examinee must have passed USMLE Step 1 and both the Clinical Knowledge and Clinical Skills components of USMLE Step 2.
- The fee for June 1, 2004, through June 30, 2005, administrations of the CSE component of USMLE Step 2 has been set at $975.00 for US and Canadian medical school students and graduates.
- Schools that currently require students to take and/or pass Step 2 for graduation are, by definition, thus requiring their graduating students to take and/or pass the CSE for graduation since an over all passing score on Step 2 can be achieved only after passing both Step 2 components. Score reports and transcripts will provide pass/fail information regarding each component and the scaled score for the knowledge component.
- Since eligibility for USMLE Step 3 will require that graduates in 2005 or later have previously achieved passing scores on Step 1 and both components of Step 2, your state medical licensing authority does not have an option to make licensure decisions using only the previous components of USMLE. Any state medical licensing board not requiring applicants for licensure to pass the CSE would need to provide its own examination for licensure purposes, since USMLE Step 3 will not be available to those examinees without passing performance on the Step 2 Clinical Skills component.

Additional information about the USMLE and d1e CSE is available on d1e USMLE Web site (www.usmle.org).

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DAVID E. ROGERS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

WHEN YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP
If you have a question and don’t know where to go for an answer, or have a concern, please remember that you can send email inquiries to Dr. Lorraine Terracina, Dr. Henry Flax or Ms. Sophie Christoforou. Dr. Flax, Dr. Terracina and Ms. Christoforou are also available for individual appointments. To schedule an individual appointment with Dr. Flax or Dr. Terracina, call 270-2187. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Christoforou, call 270-1107. If you have a question, don’t be afraid to ask!

COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION
The New York Academy of Medicine's Urban Health Initiative has published a Community Resource Guide for Medical Students Interested in providing or Volunteering Community Service. A hard copy is available in the Office of Student Affairs. A copy is also available at www.nyam.org/divisions/urbanhealth.

USMLE Step 2 Clinical Skills Examination (CSE)
MS 3’s and MS 4’s NEEDED
We need MS 3 and MS 4 students to assist with campus tours for medical school applicants. Please contact Ms. Ilana Levine (College of Medicine Interview Coordinator) in the Admissions Office if you are available from 12-1 p.m. Or, contact her via email or internet (Ilana.Levine@downstate.edu)

MS 4 EXTRAMURAL (AWAY) ELECTIVES
The AAMC has an Extramural Electives Compendium at www.aamc.org/students/medstudents/electives in the “Students and Residents” section of the AAMC website. This lists the contact person, name and mailing address, for away electives at other medical schools.

FIC/ELLISON OVERSEAS FELLOWSHIP
The NIH’s Fogarty International Center (FIC) with support from The Ellison Medical Foundation, is offering a one year clinical research training experience in NIH funded research centers in developing countries. Third year medical students are eligible to apply. Application deadline is January 6, 2004 for training beginning July, 2004. For more details, go to www.aamc.org/overseasfellowship. Their email address is fic-fellowship@aamc.org.

MS 4 ELECTIVE IN CUBA
MEDICC (Medical Education Cooperation with Cuba) has 4 or 6 week electives open to MS 3 or MS 4 medical students for Spring, 2005. Students need to be proficient in Spanish at an intermediate or advanced level. See www.mediccc.org for further information and application materials.

CAREERS IN MEDICINE WEB SITE
Careers in Medicine, a career development program to assist you in choosing a specialty and plan for residency, has updated their web site with a few new enhancements.

The changes include:
- A new values instrument, the Physician Values in Practice Scale (PVIPS). The PVIPS provides a quick and reliable measure of your values related to the practice of medicine. It was developed for and validated on medical students from U.S. medical schools across the country. The PVIPS helps you to identify your core values in terms of what is most important to you about being a physician and what you most want from your medical career.
- Updated and reorganized items for the Environmental Factors and Practice Needs assessments.
- A new item list and instructions for the Skills assessments, making them shorter and more relevant to the medical field.
- An enhanced user registration, adding a class year designation, a medical school search function and an informed consent statement.

There are also some minor changes to the look and navigation of the site for easier use. More changes are planned for the coming months.

To access Careers in Medicine, go to www.aamc.org/careersinmedicine and click on the “Login” button on the left menu bar. If you are new to the site, you will need to register. Click on the “New User” button on the bottom of the page. The access code for our school is 11STU136.

WHERE TO GET DIFFERENT TYPES OF LETTERS
Attendance: Letters simply certifying that you are in a student in school, or in good academic standing, etc. may be obtained directly from the Registrar’s Office. This also applies to applications for away (extramural) electives.

Scholarship Letters and School Letters of Recommendation for Special Programs: If you are applying for a scholarship, award, or special program (e.g. summer research, summer clinical, Alaska Health Service elective, NIH research year, etc.) and they require a letter of recommendation from the school, or a letter from the dean, or something more than attendance, then this goes through the Office of Student Affairs.

Write out your name, the nature of your request, the complete title and mailing address of where the letter should be sent, any deadline date, any items which must be included in the letter, and any information which you would like included about activities which you have been involved in during medical school.

Faculty Letters of Recommendation: If you are a MS 1 student applying for a summer program or a scholarship which requires a faculty letter of recommendation, remember your preceptors, small group discussion leaders, etc. that you have had in your courses may be able to write you a letter if you don’t feel you know your block director well enough. If you still feel you are having a problem or don’t have enough references, then drop off a copy of what you are applying for to the Office of Student Affairs along with a note describing your problem and I will provide advice on what you should do.

Jury Duty Letters: You can request a letter from the Office of Student Affairs requesting the court to postpone your dates of jury duty. We have no guarantee that the court will do so. The court’s final decision prevails. You may need to serve during your vacation period.

CHILD FAMILY HEALTH INTERNATIONAL builds and strengthens healthcare services worldwide. go to www.cfhi.org.

ARE YOU CALIFORNIA BOUND?
If you are planning on practicing in California, we recommend that you take the Family Practice track of the Primary Care I Clerkship.

AOA HELEN H. GLASER STUDENT ESSAY AWARD
The AOA Student Essay Award is to encourage medical students to address general topics in medicine. Cash prizes of $2000, $750, $500 and $250 are awarded. Deadline for submission is January 31, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board.

AOA MEDICAL STUDENT SERVICE PROJECT AWARD
This award is open to any individual medical student or group of students collaborating on a project from a school with an AOA chapter. Students need not be AOA members. The school will be awarded up to $1500 to fund the project. Funding can be extended for a second year up to $1000 and for a third year up to $500. Additional information described on a flyer in the glass bulletin board.

MS 1 & MS 2 CARREL COORDINATORS
MS 1 students should report carrel or key problems to Natasha Stepanets in Room 605, HSEB; telephone x7524. She has an email account so you can email her.

MS 2 students should report carrel or key problems to Hugh Pitter in Room 511, HSEB; telephone X7507 and he’s on email too.

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Dr. Flax, Dr. Terracina and Ms. Christoforou are also available for individual appointments. To schedule an individual appointment with Dr. Flax or Dr. Terracina, call 270-2187. To schedule an appointment with Ms. Christoforou, call 270-1107. If you have a question, don’t be afraid to ask!

Glass Bulletin Board Items

(First floor, next to Room 111, Basic Science Bldg.)

Note: Sometimes, various programs send their notices of programs and opportunities too late to appear in that month’s newsletter If the deadline for the program is before the next newsletter will be published, the information will still be posted in the glass bulletin board. Therefore, periodically check the bulletin board for such late announcements.

The American Psychiatric Association announces their summer fellowship for medical students who are American Indian, Alaska Native, native Hawaiian, Asian American, African American or Hispanic. The goal of the fellowship is to encourage medical students from these groups to consider a career in psychiatry. The fellowship is up to $4000 for travel expenses, meals and lodging for an entire month while the student is working with his/her psychiatry mentor. Application forms are at www.psych.org/career_corner/careers_psycho/training/summerfellows hip.cfm. Application deadline is February 13, 2004. Questions may be addressed to Alison Bondurant at ablondurant@psych.org. Information sheet in the glass bulletin board.

The MD Anderson Cancer Center offers a Summer Research Program for Medical Students in Houston, Texas from June 1-August 6, 2004. The program provides first hand biomedical research experience in basic or clinical sciences. The stipend is $2500 for a 10 week period. Housing is usually available. Application deadline is February 6, 2004. Brochure in the Office of Student Affairs.


The Johns Hopkins University's Center for Talented Youth is looking for medical students for the position of Health Assistant. The Health Assistant is responsible for maintaining medical records of up to 400 children, escorting children to clinics and emergency rooms, helping to administer prescribed medications and basic first aid to students. The session dates are June 21-July 17 and July 17-August 9. Stipend is $2200 for 7 weeks. For an application see www.cty.jhu.edu/summer/employmnt. Flyer in glass bulletin board. Additional information in the Office of Student Affairs. The review of applications begins January 30, 2004.

The Children's Hospital Los Angeles/Children's Center for Cancer and Blood Diseases has announced their 2004 Summer Oncology Fellowship Program. A weekly stipend of $225 for 6-10 weeks is provided. Reimbursement for travel and housing is offered on a case by case basis. For more information, go to www.chla-sof.nant.org. Application deadline is March 1, 2004. Application form in the Office of Student Affairs.

The University of South Florida, College of Medicine's literary journal, The Legible Script, is accepting submissions (fee of $5) for their Spring, 2004 edition. There are monetary rewards for top entries in all categories (poems, stories, essays, personal statements). For more details, go to www.thelegiblescript.com. Submission deadline March 1, 2004.

The Betty Ford Center Summer Institute for Medical Students is a 5 day program at the Betty Ford Center in Rancho Mirage, CA. Scholarships will be awarded for one of the following session dates: May 31-June 4; June 28-July 2; July 12-16; July 26-30; August 9-13. Flyer in glass bulletin board. For more information, go to www.bettyfordcenter.org. Application deadline March 15, 2004.

The Scaife Family Foundation, in conjunction with the Institute for Research, Education, and Training in Addictions (IRETA), is offering a summer program in Chemical Dependency Treatment. Participants receive a $150 per week stipend and a $200 transportation allowance for a total of $650 for three weeks. Meals and travel are also provided. IRETA is located in Pittsburgh. Session #1 is from June 14-July 2. Session #2 is July 12-July 30. Application deadline is February 28, 2004. Information brochure and application form in the Office of Student Affairs. Or contact Lois Edmondston at lae19@pitt.edu

The Vanderbilt Medical Student Research in Diabetes and Endocrinology for Summer, 2004 allows medical students to conduct independent research during the summer between the first and second year, or between the second and third year of medical school. Each student receives a stipend and limited travel support for the 10-12 week program. Information flyer in glass bulletin board. For additional information and application, www.mc.vanderbilt.edu/diabetestraining Application deadline February 20, 2004.

Memorial Sloan-Kettering announces its 2004 Summer Student Fellowship Program to encourage interest in the field of oncology. 25, $5000 fellowships are available to medical students in their first two years of study. The two start dates are: June 14 or June 21, 2004. Interested students should visit the website around January 30, 2004 where they will find application materials and instructions. Information flyer in glass bulletin board. Website address is: www.mskcc.org/summerfellowships. Application deadline is February 27, 2004.


The American Osler Society announces the availability of the William B. Bean Student Research Award for support of research in the broad areas of medical history and medical humanities. Candidates must be currently matriculated and the successful applicant may be eligible to present a paper at the annual meeting. The stipend will be $1000 and up to $700 additional may be made available to support travel to the annual meeting. Flyer in the glass bulletin board. Submission deadline is March 1, 2004.

The Leah J. Dickstein, MD Award is open to female medical students who have demonstrated superior academic achievement, creativity, and leadership. The award is $1000 and attendance at the annual meeting in NYC May 1-6, 2004. Only two students may be nominated. If you are interested in applying, contact the office of Student Affairs for an application form. Application deadline in Student Affairs, February 1, 2004.
The Society for Pediatric Research and the American Pediatric Society sponsors a medical student research program to encourage medical students to consider careers in research related to pediatrics. The program provides a daily stipend up to $4105 for 8-10 weeks in a research environment. For additional information, go to www.aps-pr.org. Flyer in glass bulletin board. Application deadline January 28, 2004.


Samuels/AFAR Medical Student Geriatric Scholars Program provides awards for student to train at acclaimed centers of excellence in geriatrics. There are 40 scholarships of $4000 each. Information available at www.afar.org. Application deadline February 6, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board.

The Scaife Family Foundation announces the National Rural Institute on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to be held June 13-17, 2004 at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Scholarships are awarded to medical students interested in specialized training in alcohol and other drug abuse treatment at the National Institute. There is a scholarship that covers tuition, on-campus room and board, plus a $300 stipend to help defray travel expenses. Flyer in the glass bulletin board. Application deadline is April 1, 2004. Applications are available at www.uwstout.edu/solutions/ces/ruralaoda. Email address is applehandsd@uwstout.edu

The Roswell Park Cancer Institute announces its summer oncology research program from June 7-July 30, 2004. The stipend is $280 per week for the 8 week period. Application deadline is February 13, 2004. Flyer in glass bulletin board. More information contact Dean Arthur M. Michalek at arthur.michalek@roswellpark.org

AMA Website at SUNY Downstate: www.freewebs.com/amadownstate for the latest information from your colleagues!

St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee provides short-term training experiences in either clinical research or laboratory research for a minimum of 9 weeks, with a stipend of approximately $8 per hour. Application deadline February 27, 2004. To identify departments and/or faculty members with whom you would like to work, go to www.stjude.org/poe/. There is an on-line application at that site. Additional information in the Office of Student Affairs.

The Health Research Training Program (HRTP) of the NYC Dept. of Health ad Mental Hygiene offers internships in public health research. This is a volunteer program. Flyer in glass bulletin board

MAP-Reader's Digest International Fellowship is a fourth year program (application is made in third year), providing exposure in a Christian context to the health, social and cultural characteristics of a developing world community. The length is a minimum of 8 weeks with application by March 1 of the third year. Application available from www.map.org. Information sheet in the Office of Student Affairs.

CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) PROGRAM FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

1. Summer program: This 6-12 week program is available for 1st or 2nd year students to participate in a research, educational program development, and/or surveillance project at the CDC (in Atlanta or a regional office site). Application deadline is January 31, 2004. Application is available at https://www2.cdc.gov/careers/summerstart.htm. A list of other intern programs is available at www.cdc.gov/hrmo/intern.htm

2. Elective program: This 4-8 week program is available for 3rd and 4th year students to participate in a research, educational program development, and/or surveillance project at the CDC (in Atlanta or a regional office site). A listing of available elective opportunities for 2004 will be available in January 2004. Students will submit applications, and selections will be made in a timely manner for elective slots approximately 4-6 months later. Housing and transportation costs will be subsidized.

Full details of these programs, including application information, will be posted to www.aamc.org/cdc as this material becomes available. For immediate information about these opportunities, please contact Deborah Danoff, MD (ddanoff@aamc.org) or Rika Maeshiro, MD, MPH (rmaeshiro@aamc.org)

3. One Year Fellowship for MS 3 or MS 4 Students: A new one-year fellowship in applied epidemiology for 3rd or 4th year medical students is available; it is sponsored by the Pfizer Foundation and Pfizer Inc., through the CDC Foundation. Eight competitively selected medical students will come to the CDC for a 10-12 month fellowship in applied epidemiology, beginning in September 2004. Students will participate in day-to-day applied epidemiology activities including fieldwork and possibly outbreak investigations, in programs around CDC, with an emphasis on non-infectious disease assignments. It is hoped that the full year will allow students an opportunity to see the critical role of epidemiologic science in the development of policy. Topics that will be covered in a series of didactic training and seminars include epidemiologic methods, biostatistics, policy development, and the impact of population health on clinical practice.

Interested medical students should visit the CDC Foundation Web site at: www.cdcfoundation.org/fellowships/cdcexperience.html

The American Medical Women’s Association sponsors a number of programs for women medical students. Flyers in the glass bulletin board.


Janet Glasgow Essay Award is $1000 and a plaque for the best essay of approximately 1,000 words. Application deadline May 31, 2004.

Carroll L. Birch Award is a cash prize of $500 and a plaque for the best original research paper. Application deadline is June 30, 2004

AWHS Overseas Assistance Grant provides assistance with transportation costs (the only program qualifying at SUNY Downstate is the Healthcare in Developing Countries) for up to $1500.

Bed and Breakfast program (see glass bulletin board)
AMSA Programs

SUNY Downstate does not provide any financial assistance for students to participate in the following programs.

Paul Ambrose Political Leadership Institutes are: December 5-7, and January 9-11 in Reston, VA. Deadlines are October 27 and December 1. Only one nominee per school is accepted. Go to www.amasa.org/hp/hpli.cfm

Circle of Healers Humanistic Medicine Retreat:

Women's Empowerment Institute January 24-26, 2004

Global Health Political Leadership Institute: Feb. 6-8, 2004
www.amsa.org/global/

Community and Public Health Institute: Feb 20-22, 2004
www.amsa.org/cph/cphi.cfm