FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Phelps to step down
Dr. Phelps's tumor has recurred again, and on August 1 he submitted his resignation to Dean Eckstein, pending identification of his replacement. Dr. Phelps has been chairman for less than two years and many new and interesting things have been happening in the department. We are all a bit stunned by this new turn of events.

Another search committee has been appointed by the dean and there will be another round of interviews. The process should be shorter this time because a full-scale departmental review will not be needed and four members of the search committee were on the last committee.

Ron Keech joins the faculty

Ronald V. Keech is coming back from private practice in Oregon to join our pediatric ophthalmology group. Dr. Keech's undergraduate degree was from Occidental College in 1970 and his M.D. from UCSF in 1974. After his ophthalmology residency at USC in Los Angeles, he did a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology in Iowa City in 1979.

In addition to strabismus, he is interested in cataract rehabilitation in infants and in congenital glaucoma. He has written on amblyopia, DVD, exodeviations, and RLF. Bill Scott and Frank Judisch will be delighted to get some help.

Chris Blodi comes home

Chris Blodi has decided to leave the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in Miami and return to Iowa City where he will join Drs. Weingeist, Folk, and Dreyer on the vitreoretinal faculty. Dr. Blodi got his undergraduate degree from Iowa in 1975 and his M.D. from Washington University in St. Louis in 1979. He did his ophthalmology residency at BPEI in Miami followed by a vitreoretinal fellowship in Iowa City in 1983-84.

Dr. Blodi retains Saudi ties
Dr. Frederick Blodi has been appointed as a clinical professor of ophthalmology at the King Saud University in Riyadh and will be returning to Saudi Arabia this fall to give four weeks of lectures in the basic sciences.

Mel Chiles Retires

Anyone who has been associated with the department in the last two decades knows that Mel Chiles was a kind and efficient administrator. After 19 years Mel has decided to play a little golf. We will all miss him. He will be succeeded in the position by Mike Bresnaham, who has been director of Medical Records for the University Hospitals for the last 15 years.

San Francisco—Academy

The Iowa Alumni Party will be in the Franciscan Room of the Francis Drake Hotel at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1.

See photo story on back page.
NEW RESIDENTS
Starting July 1985

Joseph E. Allen was born in 1954 in Chicago. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1979 with a degree in biology. He received his M.D. from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in 1984. He spent several months in our department as a fourth-year student. He is married and his wife is a teacher. Joe enjoys long-distance running, photography, and poetry.

Steven R. Bennett was born in 1957 in Albany, Georgia. He is married. Steve graduated from Furman University in 1978 and Vanderbilt School of Medicine in 1982. He ranked first in his medical school class and has received many scholarships and awards. He has done two years of a general pathology residency.

H. Culver Boldt was born in 1959 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He received his B.A. and M.D. from Northwestern University and interned in Chicago. He is a member of AOA and has published an article on contrast sensitivity. His interests include soccer, photography, golf, and growing orchids.

NEW FELLOWS

Daniel J. Karr was born in 1946. He received his undergraduate degree in psychology at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida, in 1968. From 1968 to 1970 he worked for the Peace Corps in Nepal. He graduated from medical school at the University of Miami in 1978. He completed residencies in pediatrics and ophthalmology at the University of Washington in Seattle. Dan started his fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology in October 1984 and this winter will be taking a position at the University of West Virginia as an assistant professor in both the ophthalmology and pediatric departments.

Roy A. Cline was born in 1947 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He graduated in 1967 with a degree in premedicine from the University of Saskatchewan and received his M.D. from the University of Saskatchewan in 1971. His ophthalmology residency was at the University of British Columbia. He is doing a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology.

Rebecca Willis was born in 1953 in Perry, Iowa. She graduated from Yale University in 1976 with a degree in biology and from Duke University School of Medicine in 1980. Her husband is a rheumatologist. She has just finished her ophthalmology residency at the University of Iowa and is now beginning a cornea fellowship.

Edward J. Holland was born on July 23, 1956, in Chicago. He graduated in 1978 from Drake University and in 1981 from Loyola-Stritch School of Medicine. His internship was at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit and his ophthalmology residency at the University of Minnesota. He is beginning a one-year fellowship in cornea and external disease.

David R. Jordan was born in 1956 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He graduated from the University of Western Ontario in 1977 with a degree in natural science and from the University of Toronto Medical School in 1981. He completed an internship in internal medicine at Ottawa General Hospital and an ophthalmology residency at the University of Ottawa. He is doing a one-year fellowship in oculoplastics.

Kathleen B. Digre was born in 1950 in Minneapolis. She graduated from Gustavus College in 1972 with a degree in English and German. Her M.A. in English was from the University of Arkansas in 1975, and her M.D. (1981) was from the University of Iowa. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Omega Alpha and was awarded the Oxford Scholarship in 1980. She has completed an internship and a neurology residency at Iowa. Her husband is an associate professor in the ob-gyn department at The University of Iowa and chief of the obstetrics division. She will be a fellow in neuro-ophthalmology for two years.

Charles E. Maxner was born in 1952 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. He received his undergraduate degree in psychology at Dalhousie University in 1975 and graduated from Dalhousie University Medical School in 1979. He completed his neurology residency at Dalhousie and has done research in the area of visual neurophysiology. Chuck’s wife, Maryth, is an elementary school teacher. He will be a fellow in neuro-ophthalmology.

Gary Servais was born in 1951 in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Gary graduated from Lakehead University in Ontario in 1975 with a degree in biology and received his medical degree from McMaster University in 1978. He did his internship and residency at McMaster University and has been a fellow with Dr. Hayreh for three years doing research in retinal vascular disease. His wife, Jane, is a nurse in the surgical ICU. Gary now begins a one-and-a-half-year fellowship in vitreoretina.

Meena Beri was born in 1956 in Rewa, India. Meena graduated from Nutan Girls College in 1973 with a degree in premedicine. In 1978 she graduated from medical school at Gandhi Medical College at the University of Bhopal. Meena completed a rotating internship and did her residency at Gandhi Medical College.

Cornea Symposium—
December 6 & 7, 1985

Jay Krachmer will host a major symposium on corneal and external disease in Iowa City this December. Six well-known speakers have been invited to give "practical, down-to-earth" talks.
CHARLES D. PHELPS, M.D.
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Chuck died of his cancer on September 13, 1985. The funeral was on September 16 in Iowa City. The gloom in the department is palpable.

The dean has appointed Joerg Kolder as acting head. The Search Committee chairman is Art Specter, of the Department of Biochemistry. He hopes to finish his job by next summer.
Her husband is an engineer. She is a fellow in vascular disease.

Zou Xiao Lian ("Lily Dso") is from Harbin in northeast China. She graduated from Heilongjiang Medical College in 1974 and received a master's degree in ophthalmology from Beijing Medical College's First Teaching Hospital in 1981. She will be a fellow in vascular disease and glaucoma.

Gustavo Tamayo was born in 1955 in Bogotá, Colombia. He received his undergraduate degree in 1972 and his medical degree in 1980 from National University. He completed an internship at Federico Lleras Hospital in Ibagué and his residency was done at the Ophthalmic Foundation of Rosario University in Bogotá. He is doing his fellowship in the echography unit.

Gilberto Islas was born in 1955 in Salamanca, Mexico. He graduated from the Medical School of the University of San Luis Potosí, Mexico, in 1978. He completed his ophthalmology residency at Nuestra Señora de la Luz and is an assistant professor of ophthalmology at the National University of Mexico. He is doing a fellowship in echography.

T. M. Matheen was born in 1947. He completed his undergraduate work in 1971 at Stanley Medical College in Madras, India. He graduated from medical school in 1981 from the University of Vienna in Austria. He completed his internship at Stanley Medical College and completed residencies at the University of Vienna and at the Government Ophthalmic Hospital in Madras. He is a senior registrar at Maghraby Specialist Hospital in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. He is beginning a fellowship in the echography unit.

Ciro Tamburelli is from Professor Bruno Bagolini's program in Rome. He will start an echography fellowship in September.

William A. Argus was born in 1955 in Indianapolis. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1977 with a degree in biology. In 1981 he graduated from medical school at Indiana University. He completed an internship at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis and did his residency at Indiana University. He is now a fellow in the glaucoma service.
Farewell Party for Mel Chiles—June 14, 1985

Mel Chiles greets his successor, Mike Bresnahan.

Dr. Boeder gets into the picture as Mel says goodbye to department staff Becky Meyer, Tink Parrott, and Liz Wagner.

Mel and Joerg Kolder

Mel and Naomi Lee

Mel with Lee Allen and Miriam Leinen

Three residents at Mel’s party—Shauna McKusker, Rick Perell, and David Sutton.

Mel receives therapy for his “temporal arteritis”—as he says goodbye to his secretary, Patti Gaddis, and office coordinator, Anne Mitchell.

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