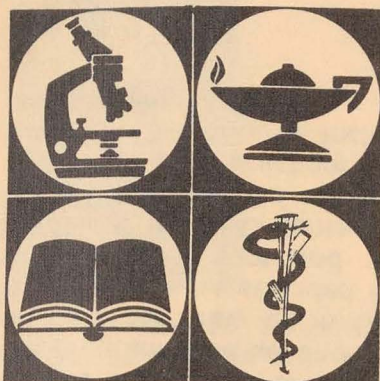
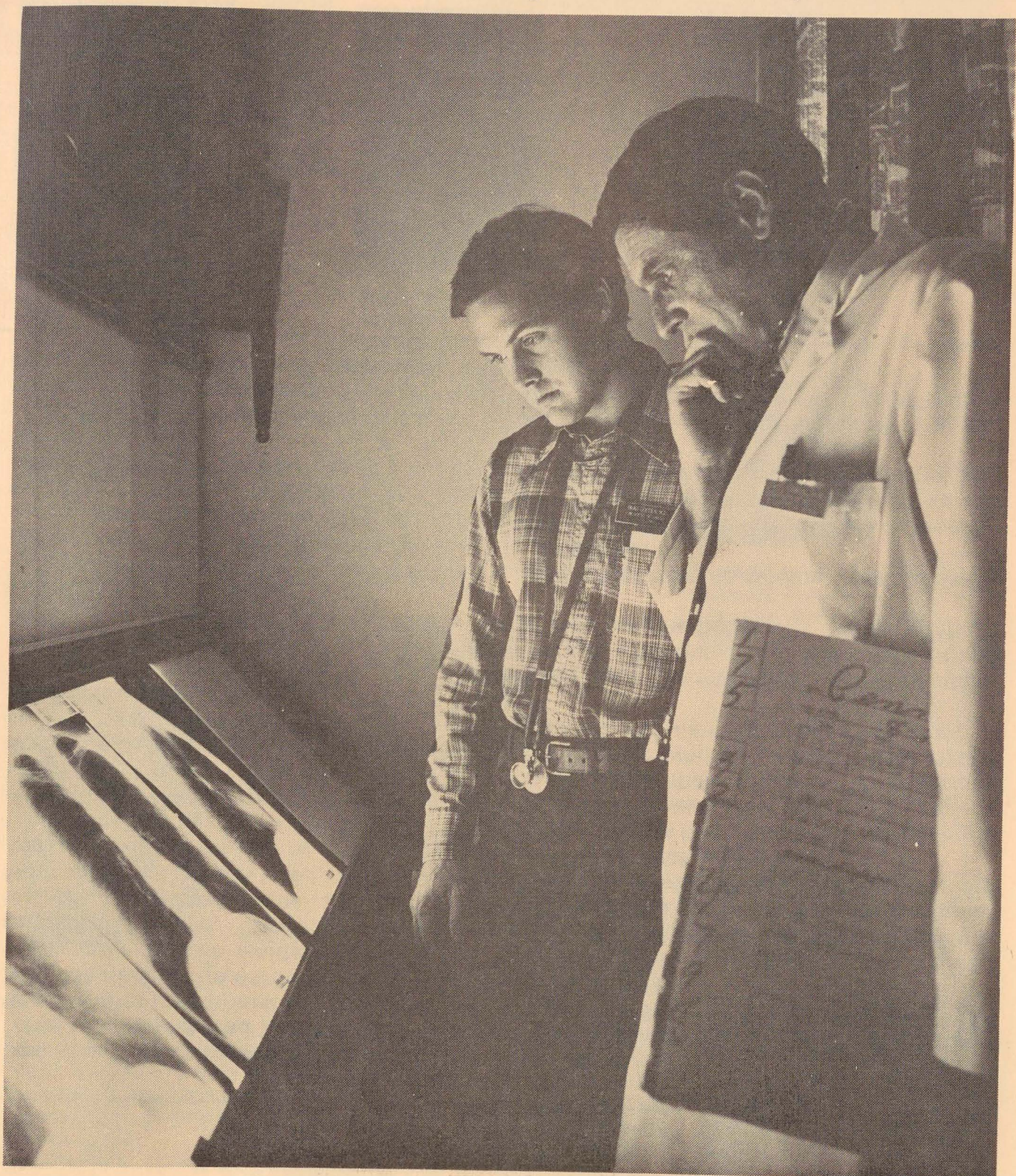


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# Health News

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## Change in Medical School Leadership

Dr. Thomas J. Scully, dean of the medical school for the last two years, tendered his resignation this month for health reasons. UNR President Joe Crowley accepted the resignation and a week later appointed Dr. Ernest Mazzaferri to serve as acting dean.

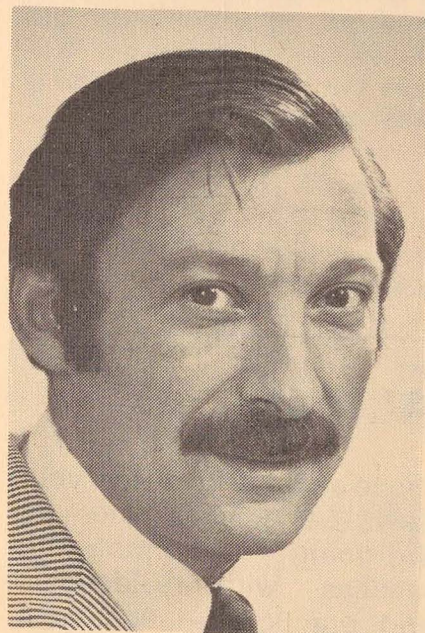
Dr. Scully stepped down because of prolonged and lingering health problems which prevented him from "devoting the necessary time, energy and enthusiasm to the duties and responsibilities of the office of dean."

Dr. Scully, 46, had parathyroid surgery for a benign tumor in September. Although he is no longer serving as dean, he will retain his appointment as a professor of pediatrics and will see patients in the medical school's community clinic two afternoons a week. He will also serve in a part-time capacity as a consultant to Dr. Mazzaferri to help prepare the school for an upcoming accreditation visit by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.

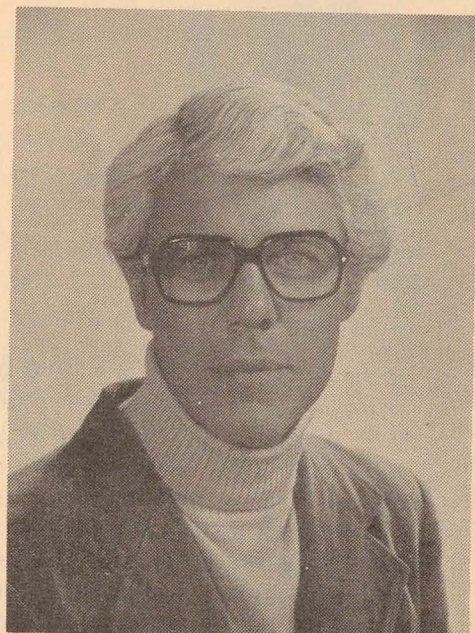
As the second dean of the medical school, Dr. Scully was appointed to his position by a unanimous vote of the Board of Regents in October 1977, when Dean George Smith left to take a position in Massachusetts. Under his direction, the school converted to a four-year program and successfully recruited six department chairmen. The school also instituted its first primary care residency programs and developed hospital affiliations throughout the state to support its community-based programs.

Dr. Mazzaferri, whose appointment as acting dean became effective October 12, has been chairman of the department of internal medicine since June 1978. He came to Nevada from the Ohio State University Hospital, where he had been director of the division of endocrinology and metabolism. Upon accepting his appointment, he stated that he has no intention of applying for the permanent position as dean—rather, he will help out in this interim period and return to his department once a national search has been completed for a new dean.

Dr. Crowley, who selected Dr. Mazzaferri from three candidates nominated by the Executive Committee, said that the medical school made great strides during Dr. Scully's tenure and that he feels confident Dr. Mazzaferri will "also be an asset to the medical school and to the future of medicine in Nevada."



**Dr. Ernest Mazzaferri,**  
Acting Dean



**Dr. Thomas J. Scully,**  
Past Dean

## AMA/ERF Award

The AMA Education and Research Foundation, through the Nevada State Medical Association, has awarded \$14,306 to the School of Medical Sciences in its annual distribution of gift funds.

The money represents gifts from individual physicians in Nevada and across the nation and from AMA auxiliary members.

According to Edna Brigham, development officer at SMS, the funds are unrestricted, "meaning that we can use them to solve the real educational problems at the school."

She continued, "Such support has been critical through our developmental years. To us, the money is an indication of much-needed friendship and support from Nevada's physicians and auxiliary members. As we've developed from a fledgling institution to a school with national stature, we've been able to depend on them for this gift, which has increased annually. Such continuing support from within the state is definitely gratifying."

Mrs. Brigham said this year's gift funds will be used in the development of the school's programs in the rural areas and in the southern part of the state. In addition, \$2,500 of the money will be earmarked again for research seed money.

## Fleischmann Foundation Approves \$2 Million Grant

A \$2 million grant has been awarded to the UNR School of Medical Sciences by the Fleischmann Foundation for the construction of a laboratory research building.

The new building will provide space for the biochemistry faculty who are now scattered throughout the lower UNR campus and will also house other basic sciences faculty and faculty from the College of Agriculture, according to Edna Brigham, medical school development officer.

The building, phase IV of the medical school's development, will complete a rectangle with a central quad when joined with existing structures. "Unless surveying reveals subterranean problems that would prevent us from locating on the north side of our present facilities, we'll be able to complete the quad and have access to all the buildings from both in and outside the central core," Mrs. Brigham said.

The architectural firm of Anshen and Allen, who recently designed the expansion at Reno's St. Mary's Hospital, have been selected to design the lab building.

"The firm has a great deal of expertise in designing laboratory buildings, Mrs. Brigham said. "Their experience is necessary and valuable because of the nature of research today. We have to protect not only the projects, but also the people who are involved in the work. The building will house some viruses and other potent materials, and the ventilation, heat and light systems are extremely important considerations," she added.

The Fleischmann grant of \$2 million matches a gift from Las Vegas Claude Howard. The \$4 million total will cover the projected costs of the laboratory building.

"As the Foundation is dispersing its assets, it's gratifying to think how often we and other community members have been able to turn to them in times of need. They've been a tremendous force in our development," Mrs. Brigham added.

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## Residency Training Programs Begin

For the first time in the history of the University of Nevada's School of Medical Sciences, there are residents training in the state's hospitals. Since July 1, Reno has had the services of 17 residents in internal medicine, family practice and pediatrics. Simultaneously, six doctors began training in internal medicine in Las Vegas.

Washoe Medical Center and the Veterans Administration Medical Center are training sites in Reno, as is the Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital in Las Vegas.

Profile studies indicate that most physicians take their residency training in the type of community where they'd like to practice, noted Dr. Tom Scully, who was the dean when the residencies began. "We hope this means that the doctors we've accepted into our program will be sympathetic to the primary health care needs of Nevada when they establish a practice," he said, "and that we can increase the number of primary care doctors in the state."

According to Dr. Alfred Thompson, director of residencies in internal medicine, "A resident is a doctor getting postgraduate training in various medical fields. These doctors will spend three additional years in training to get hospital experience with patients and to gain experience out of the hospital in an office setting."

Dr. Thompson continued, "These are bright, young, energetic doctors who will be valuable additions to the medical community."

However, he explained, only patients who agree will be seen by residents. And, even after patients have given their informed consent, their private attending physician still has the primary responsibility for the patient's care.

Dr. Charles Payton, coordinator of the family practice residencies, said, "The emphasis in the residencies is on education and acquiring skills. The health care the residents provide is an adjunct to the learning process."

"They won't necessarily see a high volume of patients, providing episodic care. Rather, it will be important for them to learn the skills a physician needs—to have time to ask questions and to be taught."

Dr. Burton Dudding, head of the pediatrics residencies, said, "This is a busy, formative

time in a doctor's career. It's harder than medical school."

He, too, emphasized that the three years spent as a resident are designed to be educational, rather than primarily service-oriented. He explained that there is a new emphasis in residency education on the biosocial aspects of health care.

"We have to train residents to deal with socially induced, not just physically induced problems," he said. "Dealing with the psychosocial and behavioral aspects of a person's well-being requires a tremendous amount of energy and time. We're dealing with the gamut from abnormal growth to education to healthy lifestyles. Fortunately, we have community resources we can call on to provide the undergirding for such educational activity."

Dr. Thompson explained that close to 75 percent of doctors follow their internal medicine residencies with a fellowship in a subspecialty program. "But we were looking for physicians interested in primary care, those who want to practice after their residency. We especially want to attract people interested in other than urban areas, who have some ties to Nevada and the West. We took the best applicants we could get and we have an excellent group of residents."

A resident's typical day begins at 7 a.m., when they meet for a morning report. They attend work rounds, where patient evaluation and therapy are considered; later, they attend teaching rounds and a lunchtime lecture on, for instance, the behavioral, moral or ethical considerations in medical care.

Several afternoons a week, the residents will see patients in the medical school's health center or at the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Alternate afternoons, they'll stay at the hospital and do histories and physicals on recently admitted patients. According to Dr. Thompson, "They can go home when their work is done—anywhere from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m." Every third night, they stay overnight at the hospital and are on call.

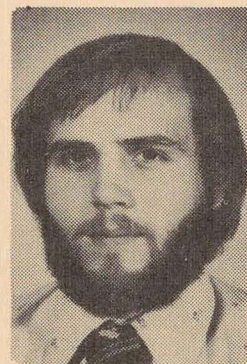
"An average first-year resident works 100 hours a week—and in their spare time, are supposed to be doing reading in their field," Dr. Thompson commented. "We help them cope by giving them lots of support all year round; they need it."

The members of the 1979 charter class of residents at the School of Medical sciences are:

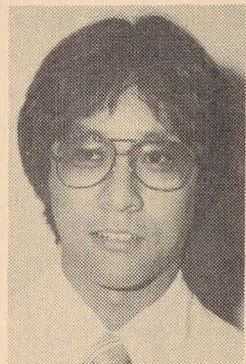
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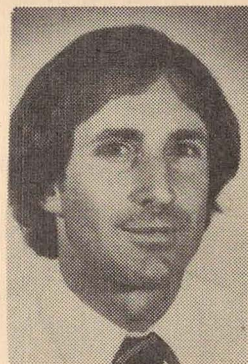
**Kosta M. Arger**, 32, was graduated from the University of Washington Medical School and also attended both high school and college in Tacoma. Kosta is married to Julie Arger. His hobbies include gardening, cooking, hunting and jogging.



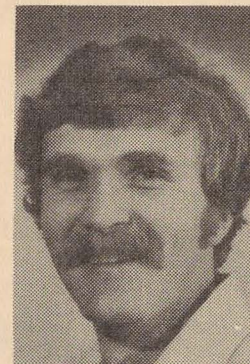
**Steven Parker**, 26, attended the School of Medical Sciences for his first two years of training and received his M.D. after transferring to the University of Alabama-Birmingham. He's from California, where he went to high school in Lafayette and received his B.A. at UC-Berkeley. Steven's wife is Catherine Parker. His avocations include skiing, exploring and church activities.



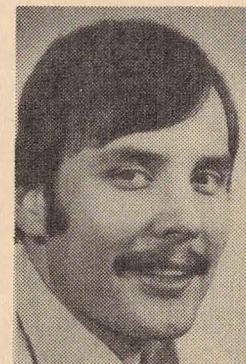
**Rodolfo Madlang**, 28, earned his M.D. at Chicago Medical School. He is single and enjoys astronomy, photography, chess and weightlifting. Rodolfo is from Chicago, did undergraduate work at Northwestern and attended graduate school at Far Eastern University in the Philippine Islands.



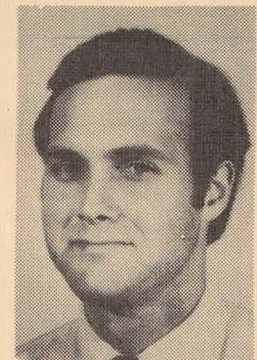
**Donald Gutman**, 32, is entering the program as a second-year resident. He grew up in California, where he attended Los Altos High School and was graduated from UC-Santa Barbara. Donald earned his M.D. at Chicago Medical school. He's single and his hobbies include tennis, skiing and travel.



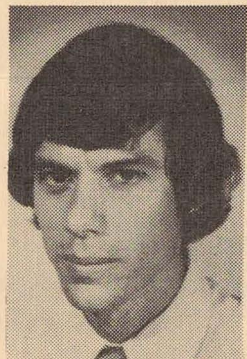
**Steve Olmstead**, 28, from Twin Falls, Idaho, did undergraduate work in engineering at the University of Arizona and earned his M.D. at the University of Washington. Steve's wife is Lisa Claire. He includes skiing, boating, woodworking and reading among his hobbies.



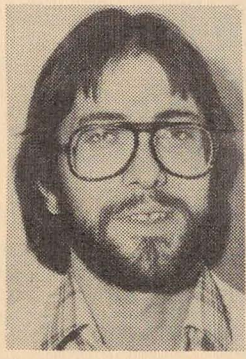
**Michael D. Stouder**, 26, is a Wyoming native who took his undergraduate degree and his first two years of medical training at UNR. Mike earned his M.D. at the University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa and has already completed a year of residency at the University of Wyoming. He and his wife, Kristi, have three children. Mike enjoys family activities, history, current events, fishing and church work.



**Brad Doeden**, 27, grew up in Round Lake, Minn., and attended South Dakota State University, where he was graduated cum laude. He received his M.D. from the University of Minnesota Medical School. Brad's wife is Susan Doeden. His hobbies include skiing, bicycling and photography.

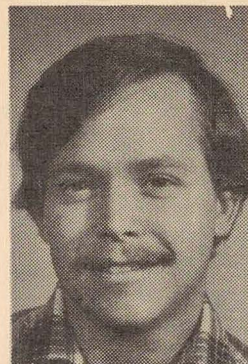


**Alton Walters**, 32, attended El Capitan High School in California and holds both undergraduate and graduate degrees from UC-San Diego. He earned his M.D. at Chicago Medical School. Alton is single and enjoys jogging.

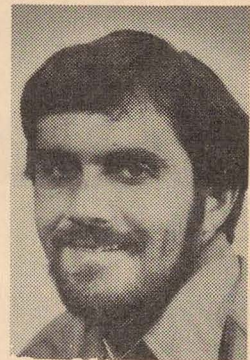


**Timothy Mingus**, 25, attended high school in Wichita, Kan., and was a Phi Beta Kappa when he received his B.A. at the University of Kansas-Lawrence. Timothy earned his M.D. at the University of Kansas-Kansas City. He's single and enjoys hunting, fishing, furniture refinishing and raising bloodhounds.

### FAMILY PRACTICE



**Mark Dambro**, 28, a Las Vegas native, earned his B.S. at the University of Arizona-Tucson. He attended the School of Medical Sciences for two years and completed his M.D. at Washington University in St. Louis. Mark enjoys scuba, hiking, electronics and photography. Earlier this summer, he married Nancy Neddenriep, a former classmate and a resident in pediatrics.

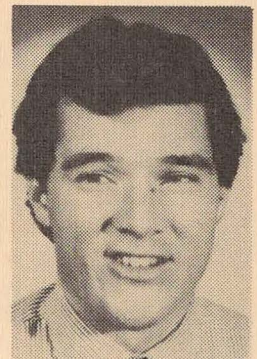


**Doug Outcalt**, 29, is from Scottsdale by way of Bluffton, Ind. He received his B.S. at Arizona State and earned his M.D. at the University of Arizona-Tucson. Doug and his wife, Frances, have one child. He lists his hobbies as reading, politics, hiking and sports.

### PEDIATRICS



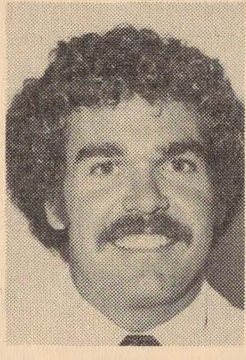
**Nancy Neddenriep Dambro**, 26, from Reno, attended Wooster High School and was graduated from Occidental College magna cum laude. Nancy finished her first two years of medical training at the School of Medical Sciences and transferred to Tufts School of Medicine in Boston to complete her M.D. She and Mark Dambro, a resident in family practice, were married in June.



**Robert Platt**, 26, was graduated from Wooster High School in Reno and received his B.S. from UNR. He took his first two years of medical training at the School of Medical Sciences and completed his M.D. at the University of Alabama-Birmingham. Robert is single and enjoys skiing, backpacking, tennis and playing the guitar.



**William Boothe**, 27, attended high school in San Antonio and received his B.A. from the University of Texas-Austin. He earned his M.D. at Texas Tech in Lubbock. William is single and enjoys tennis and football.



**Albert Reynaud**, 26, from San Angelo, Texas, traveled to the University of Idaho-Moscow to receive his B.S. and returned to Texas to take his M.D. at Texas Tech in Lubbock. Albert is single and lists skiing, photography, camping and golf as his hobbies.



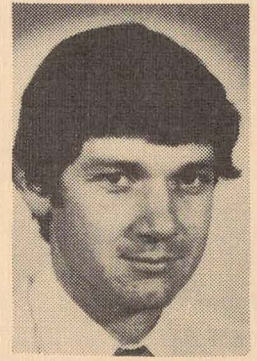
**Bill Finrock**, 26, from Kennewick, Wash., earned both his B.S. in chemistry and his M.D. from the University of Washington. Bill is single and lists skiing, tennis, bicycling and raising plants as his hobbies.



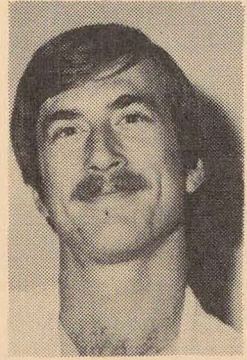
**Mary Ann Sourwine**, who is from Sacramento, did her undergraduate work at the University of Maryland. She attended the School of Medical Sciences for her first two years of medical training and completed her M.D. at her alma mater. Mary Ann has already completed a three-year psychiatric residency at UC-Davis. She is single and enjoys leatherworking, canning, swimming and singing alto.



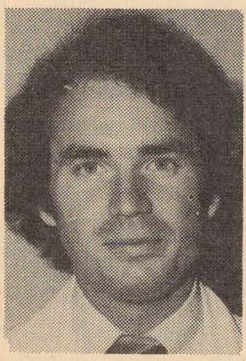
**Jane-ellen Heath**, 30, is from Arizona, where she went to Catalina High School in Tucson. She was graduated from the University of Arizona with distinction and received her M.D. from the University of Liege in Belgium.



**Richard Seher**, 27, is from Carson City. He received his B.S. from UNR and completed his first two years of medical training at the School of Medical Sciences before transferring to the University of Colorado to finish his M.D. Richard is single and enjoys reading, hiking and intramural football.



**Robert Markenson**, 26, attended Horton-Watkins High School in St. Louis, Mo., and earned both his B.S. and M.D. degrees at Tulane University in New Orleans. Robert is single and lists guitar-playing, jogging and tennis as his hobbies.



**Robert Troia**, 25, was reared in Nebraska, where he attended Creighton Prep in Omaha. He earned his B.A. at Notre Dame and his M.D. at Creighton Medical School, also in Omaha. Robert, who is single, enjoys coin collecting, sports and reading.



**Beverly Harn**, 24, is from Oregon, where she received her B.S. at Portland State and her M.D. at the University of Oregon-Portland. Her leisure time activities include photography, camping and sewing. Beverly's husband's name is Joe.



**Judy F. Hilbish**, 32, a native of Tonopah, completed her B.S., M.S. and two years of medical school at UNR. She earned her M.D. at the University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa and is entering the SMS program as a second-year resident. Judy's husband is Karl Estridge. She enjoys weaving, sewing, furniture refinishing, photography and gardening.

### ALUMNI!

We're anxious to receive your news. Let us know what you are doing — in school, with families, with residencies and practices — and we'll pass along the word to your classmates.

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# Savitt Library Expands

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As the medical community and medical education programs in Nevada continue to grow, the library at the School of Medical Sciences is expanding and diversifying its collection to meet escalating information demands.

According to Joan Zenan, director of the Savitt Medical Library, the number of books has increased by 60 percent since the library opened last July, and the journal collection has grown by 18 percent. Currently, more than 300 journal titles are received and another 200 medical titles are available from other branch libraries on the UNR campus.

More important, Mrs. Zenan noted, the collection is up-to-date, with all 3,300-plus books having a 1971 or later publication date.

Mrs. Zenan said, "We are the center of a network of information for the state's health care practitioners and we're glad to be able to say the network is working. We've had more than 50,000 patrons enter the library since it opened a year ago, and have helped numerous doctors, nurses and students statewide over the phone, in person or via teletype. We also help lay persons who are researching a disease or medical problem that affects them or that might be affecting their families."

The facilities, services and materials in the library are open to anyone in need of information, Mrs. Zenan emphasized. Services include the limited circulation of materials to qualified borrowers; answering reference questions; interlibrary loans; data base searching, including the MEDLINE base at the National Library of Medicine; media services; and continuing medical education materials on a limited basis. There are nominal charges for interlibrary loans from out of state and for data base searching.

The Savitt library can be reached at (702) 784-4625.

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