
Miscellany

Burden Research Prize

The Burden Trust invites applications for the 1998 Research Prize which consists of an award of £1000. The prize is open to all registered medical practitioners, the greater part of whose time is spent working in the field of learning disabilities in the UK or the Republic of Ireland. The prize is awarded for outstanding work which has either been published, accepted for publication or presented as a paper to a learned society during the three-year period ending 31 December 1997. An application form and further details may be obtained from Dr Oliver Russell, Norah Fry Research Centre, University of Bristol, 3 Priory Road, Bristol BS8 1TX (Tel: 0117 923 8137). The closing date for submissions is 31 December 1997.

US\$5000 Mental Health Award available to clinicians involved in schizophrenia

Entry forms for a Mental Health Award are now available to UK clinicians who have an active interest in schizophrenia and related disorders. Winners will receive US\$5000 to contribute to the charity or institution of their choice. The Award sponsored by Eli Lilly and open to both community and hospital-based clinicians is endorsed by the World Psychiatric Association. Entry forms and additional information are available from the Lilly Awards Secretariat, Weber and Associates, P. O. Box 80, Thame OX9 3GX (Tel: 01844 216716; Fax: 260706).

Irish Division Website

The Irish Division of the Royal College of Psychiatrists has launched a website to provide information and increase public and professional awareness on psychiatric illness in Ireland. The website address is: <http://www.homepage.tinet.ie/~irishrcpsych>

A Madman Ahead of His Time

The intriguing case of James Tilly Matthews, a tea dealer who was sent to Bethlem in 1797 by the Privy Council, is featured in **Bedlam: Custody, Care and Cure, 1247-1997**, a special exhibition at the Museum of London from 7 October 1997-15 March 1998. Museum of London, London Wall, London ECY 5HN (24-hour information line: 0171 600 0807).

New publications

Anthropology and Medicine is a new international journal recently launched and edited by Dr Sushrut Jadhav and Professor Roland Littlewood. The thrice yearly journal is aimed at health professionals and social scientists worldwide, working at the interface of culture and medicine. Regular features include original papers, book reviews, courses in medical anthropology, debates and a diary of events. Further information: Dr Sushrut Jadhav, Department of Psychiatry, University College London, 48 Riding House Street, London W1N 8AA (Tel: 0171 380 9292; e-mail: s.jadhav@ucl.uk and <http://www.carfax.co.uk/anm-ad.htm>).

Forthcoming events

The National Schizophrenia Fellowship (NSF) would like to announce their **National Annual General Meeting** which is planned for 3 December 1997 at Birmingham City Council House, West Midlands. In addition, two dates have been arranged for their conference entitled **Bridging the gap between primary and secondary mental health care; visions and options for working partnerships**. Scheduled for 20 November 1997

and 26 March 1998, these will take place in Bristol and West Devon/Cornwall respectively. Further information, Tel: 0181 547 3937; Fax: 0181 547 3862; e-mail nsf@nsf.org.uk

Leicestershire Eating Disorders Service has organised a pair of one-day courses, led by Dr Bob Palmer, to take place at Leicester General Hospital. **Helping People with Eating Disorders - the**