



What do you Know About Caduceus ?

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The Editorial Board

About Its Origin:

Caduceus was the pre-war journal of the Hong Kong University Medical Society, and she passed away quietly after the war. It was the decision of the Medical Society (1968) that Caduceus should be published again, as the monthly newspaper of the Medical Society.

About Its Name:

“Caduceus” is the symbol of the medical profession *. It is also the wand of Hermes (Mercury), the messenger of the gods.

About Its Aim:

This newspaper is intended to act as a messenger between our medical students, staff of the Medical Faculty and the University, other Union members, and also medical and paramedical personnel, as well as the students of other universities. It is also intended to provide a medium for expression of views and for publishing the latest findings in medical research.

About Its Circulation:

The present circulation of Caduceus is about 4,000 to 5,000; it is circulated to all professors, lecturers, and students of HKU, and, to a lesser extent, of CUHK. Caduceus is sent also to all the medical practitioners of Hong Kong through the British Medical Association, and to overseas universities as well.

About Its Composition:

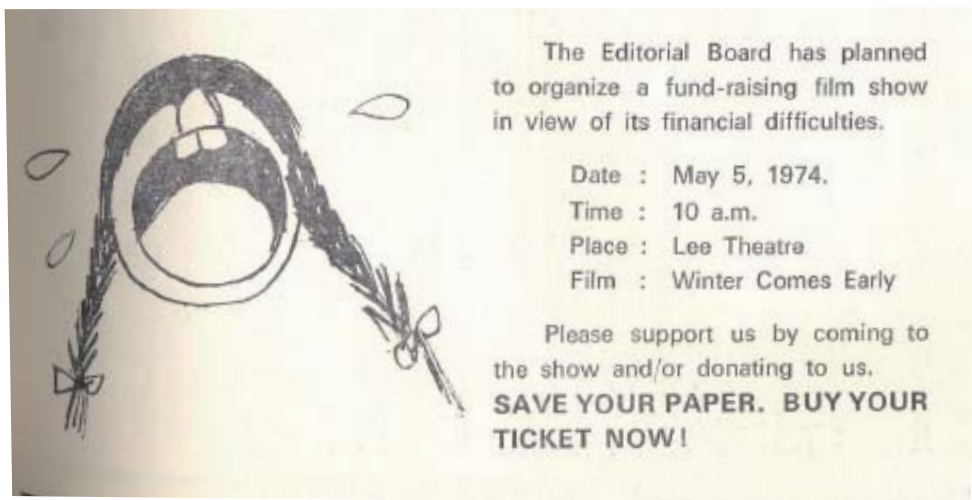
The Editorial Board (EB) of Caduceus is composed of an Hon. Adviser, an Editor-in-Chief, two General Editors (Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer), a Managing Editor, Section Editors and the Chief Editor of Elixir, and a representative of the previous EB. The Section Editors are elected by the Chief Editor, the two General Editors and the Managing Editor.

About Its Finance:

The Editorial Board of Caduceus is financially independent; and the Newspaper is distributed free of charge (In other words, should there be no outside financial support, this student activity will have to be abandoned!).

Please Contribute to Caduceus and make it your paper.

*The Caduceus is often mistaken as the symbol of the medical profession. The rod of Asclepius, which has no wings and only one snake, is the traditional symbol of medicine according to Greek mythology. Please refer to page 4, 27 and 29 for more information on the origin of “Caduceus” as the name of the journal.



In her early years, Caduceus was financially independent. Caduceus is funded by the Medical Society nowadays.