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The commencement address will be delivered by the Honorable Otis R. Bowen, M.D., Governor of Indiana. Dr. Bowen received his medical degree from the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1942 and served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He is chairman of the Midwest Governors' Conference and chairman of the Republican Governors' Association. He has received the Indiana Public Health Association's merit award and the Indiana University School of Medicine "Alumnus of the Year" award. Dr. Bowen was the first recipient of the American Medical Association's Dr. Benjamin Rush Award, made to physicians who have made outstanding contributions to the community in the area of citizenship and public service.

Deane R. Doolen, assistant dean for student affairs, will present the class for degrees. SIU President Warren W. Brandt will confer the degree of Doctor of Medicine upon the 74 candidates while Richard H. Moy, M.D., dean and provost of the School of Medicine, will award them their diplomas.

Following the tradition established by the first class in 1975, the Class of 1979 has honored three faculty members by selecting them to participate in the ceremonies. John E. Murphy, M.D., clinical assistant professor in pathology, will read the Hippocratic Oath. Robert E. Merrill, M.D., professor of pediatrics, will hood the graduates as they receive their degrees. W. Tyree Finch, M.D., associate professor of surgery, will deliver the invocation.

Mark L. Schmelzel of Edwardsville, chairman of the class, will deliver the response to Dr. Bowen's address to the graduates.

Music during the ceremony will be provided by the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Phillip Paeltz, who also is conductor of the Belleville Philharmonic and Jacksonville Symphony orchestras. Members of the class of 1980 will serve as marshalls.

A reception for all guests will follow in the Holidome.

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There are three graduates from Sangamon County: Thomas L. Farney, son of Dr. and Mrs. William E. Farney, 1002 Woodland Ave., Springfield, who will take a surgery residency at Indiana University Hospitals; John H. McMillan, son of Mrs. and Mrs. F. W. McMillan, 2220 Westview Dr., Springfield, who will take a diagnostic radiology residency at the University of Kansas Medical Center; and David Samuel, son of Trevor and Eluned Samuel, formerly of Rochester, (now from Roswell, Georgia) who will be a urology resident at SIU's affiliated hospitals, Memorial Medical Center and St. John's Hospital.

Other graduates are: David R. Alexander, Daniel L. Barrow, Scott W. Barttelbort, Brad A. Bowyer, Kathleen K. Burchby, Daniel B. Campbell, Edwin L. Card, Robert A. Cavanaugh, Michael J. Chambliss, Joseph J. Coughlin.

Steven C. Curry, Raul de la Vega III, Laura L. Dunbar, Eugene H. Epplin, Harold B. Eulien, Jr., Donald W. Farmer, Susan Fritz-Zavacki, Delia M. Garcia, Margaret J. Hancock, Matthew H. Hanna.

Mitchele Hogan, James A. Hohman, Sophia Hyk Itkonen, Kathleen Myers Johnson, Leslie E. Johnson, Robert H. Juranek, Stanley W. Koch, Michael G. Langley, Rebecca M. Leonard, John M. Lockwood.

Sylvia R. Mahone, Victoria R. Masear, David M. McFadden, John A. Memken, Judy A. Miller, Edward A. Moore, Charles E. Neal, Ingrid I. Newton, Holly Novak, Gregory A. Porter.

Ronald R. Rabjohns, Deborah S. Reynolds, David L. Riesenberger, Janet Robinson, Janice M. Robinson, Lance E. Rodewald, Augusta J. Saulys, Steven L. Scheppler, Mark L. Schmelzel, Nancy J. Selfridge.

David M. Sizemore, Ann Stroink Skillrud, David M. Skillrud, David R. Smith, Rodney H. Smith, Timothy J. Sneed, R. Joseph Tamimie, James R. Taylor, J. Vincent Thomalla, Marc D. Tumerman.

Gregory N. Van Winkle, George E. Vidalakis, Albert C. Watson, Eugene E. Wenthe, Jr., LaLura R. White, David L. Whitehill, Nila L. Wilbur, Donalee Wilkins, Janet F. Williams, Timothy O. Wilson, Steven K. Younger.

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