

Louise Hypoxia Conference in February. I also have been partial to the Scandanavian Anesthesia Society meetings held every other year and will be going to Kuopio, Finland for the 1993 meeting as a keynote lecturer."

Severinghaus also keeps busy by biking and recently won a gold medal in Nastar slalom racing at Snowmass CO, "due in large measure, I believe, to the generous handicap awarded those over 70 and that my competitors were anesthesiologists."

Keith R. Porter writes that he is trying to enjoy a life without students. "It is not their physical absence that bothers me as much as the help they provided in organizing each day into a productive unit of time. There is some worth in the advice provided repeatedly by my colleagues: develop a hobby. As one's health deteriorates in the eighties it becomes essential to have an interest that totally occupies one's mind and time."

Report of the Senior Physiologists Committee

During the period of May 1992 through April 1993 the Senior Physiologist Committee members have corresponded with many emeritus members of the American Physiological Society. At the beginning of each calendar year, each member of the committee is assigned a section of the list of APS members who will be 70 or older during that year. We send notes and greetings to them near the dates of their 70th, 72nd, and 80th birthdays. We hope they will reply with news about their activities and reflections, which can be published in *The Physiologist*.

The response to our notes is quite variable. During the period covered by this report, the 31 letters we received were published in the "News From Senior Physiologists" section of *The Physiologist*. It is most gratifying that those seniors who do send letters are very much pleased to be greeted by the Society. We enjoy learning of their continued interest in physiology and in a variety of new activities.

The members of the committee have also reviewed five applications for grants to the G. Edgar Folk, Jr., Senior Physiologist Fund. Three of them were approved. Support is provided for such purposes as attending a meeting, engaging in modest experiments, or completing a manuscript. Names of awardees are not made public.

At the end of 1992, Horace Davenport retired from the committee after faithfully corresponding with many senior physiologists during several terms of office. In early 1993, we were sorry to hear of the death of A. Pharo Gage. Newly appointed members are Robert Grover and Carl Gottschalk. Steven Horvath, Ralph Kellogg, John Reeves, and Helen Tepperman are continuing.

The committee wishes to thank Martin Frank for his help and guidance, which makes our task a pleasant experience

Helen Tepperman, Chair

G. Edgar Folk, Jr., Senior Physiologist Fund

The G. Edgar Folk, Jr., Senior Physiologist Fund has been set up through the generosity of family and former graduate students and postdocs to provide modest but helpful assistance to senior physiologists 70 years or older who no longer have grant funds available to them. The awards might be used for such purposes as attending an APS meeting to present a paper, engaging in a series of modest experiments, or completing a manuscript (paying for typists or perhaps page charges). Recipients will be selected with the assistance of the Senior Physiologists Committee throughout the year. Names of awardees will not be made public. Mary Folk writes that the purpose of the fund is for the Senior Physiologists Committee "to have *fun* assisting colleagues and for Emeritus APS members to keep in closer touch with APS."

Inquiries concerning the G. Edgar Folk, Jr., Senior Physiologist Fund should be made to Martin Frank, Executive Director, APS.