



Photos: MCG DOC co-president David Kahn talks with Congressman Doug Bernard, Jr. during a break at the ESTT in Augusta, GA. (top) Fourth year medical student and DOC member Mark Lewis concentrates on returning a volley during ESTT competition. (left) Medical student and DOC member Anna Draughn displays winning posters at the Newman Tennis Center (below).



Fourth Annual ESTT in Augusta a Smashing Success

The Fourth Annual Emphysema Slims Tennis Tournament, organized by DOC to spoof the Virginia Slims Tennis Tournament was held March 26 at the Newman Tennis Center in Augusta. The event featured football players from the University of Georgia who competed against local tennis pros. Activities held for the hundreds of young people who attended throughout

the day included tennis and football clinics, a tennis serving contest, a to-bacco-product trash can toss, Dunk-the-Marlboro Man and exhibits on to-bacco and other drugs. Prizes for the events were donated by local merchants. The winning entry in the DOC Superhealth 2000 poster contest held in Richmond County Schools was submitted by Jean Sammis, a senior at

Butler High School. She received \$100 and her poster entitled "Smoking Stinks" will be displayed as a health promotion billboard in Augusta.

In his keynote speech, Congressman Doug Barnard, Jr., complimented DOC on its nationwide efforts. "Prevention is a bargain our country cannot afford to pass up," said Congressman Barnard. "We can be grateful for a community of health care students and professionals who are not just sitting in the race against medical illness but are actually doing something about it." In addition to coverage by local newspapers and television stations, the city's most popular "top 40" radio station broadcast live from the tournament site throughout the day.

COMMENTARY

Pyrrhic victories or outright defeats?

Julia Carol, the brilliant and ebullient deputy director of Americans for Nonsmokers Rights (ANR) has scored a major coup (as co-author with Elaine O'Gard) of the publication Smokefree Travel Guide. This compact but comprehensive state-by-state listing of hotels, restaurants, cruises, and public transportation not only reviews each entry but stimulates the reader to report new clean air facilities and provides addresses of restaurants and hotel associations (may we suggest the next edition also include airports and airlines).

Carol and ANR director, Mark Pertschuk, have worked tirelessly and successfully as major forces behind the passage of Senator Lautenberg's bill for reducing smoking on commercial airliners as well as numerous indoor pollution control laws around the country.

There is an honest difference of opinion, however, on two recent efforts that resulted in less than favorable outcomes for the pro-health movement.

In June several anti-smoking organizations, including the Coalition on Smoking or Health, ANR, and DOC were notified by a Washington, D.C. based company called Advantage International that, prior to the Wimbledon Tennis Championships, a vote would be taken by the governing body of women's professional tennis whether