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SMACH to hold seminar on COPD at end of May

The Southern Maine Association of Cooperating Hospitals and the Maine Lung Association will present a two-pronged seminar in Management of the Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease Patient May 28 in Biddeford-Saco. Two morning sessions, one at Webber Hospital for general practice physicians and one at Kimball Health Center for other health professionals, will merge in the afternoon for a team approach discussion.

The session for physicians will focus on the development of specific diagnostic and clinical management skills in directing the overall evaluation and treatment of the pulmonary disease patient. Health professionals at the other sessions will receive instruction in the prevalence, prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of the chronic obstructive pulmonary disease patient (COPD).

Faculty for the physician session includes Edgar J. Caldwell, M.D., Director of the Division of Pulmonary Medicine at MMC; Robert Fernandez, M.D., Chief of Medicine and Medical Director of Respiratory Therapy at Webber Hospital; Dermot Killian, M.D., Director of Pulmonary Medicine and the Critical Care Unit at Mercy Hospital; and Roger Secker-Walker, M.D., Director of the Vermont Lung Center and Professor of Medicine at the University of Vermont.

Health professionals will hear from Richard Corbin, M.D., Chairman of the Department of Medical Services at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston; Teresa Getchell, RN, MA, a Pulmonary Nurse Clinician at Mercy Hospital; Christine Hanscome, RN, a Respiratory Nurse Specialist at MMC; Len Jordan, from the Lifeline Program at the University of Southern Maine; Edward F. Miller, Director of the Risk Reduction Program, Bureau of Health, Maine Department SMACH, page 2



THE DOWNEAST USED BOOK SALE was held for the tenth time April 29-May 1, and the crowd even included at least one non-reader (above). The sale is sponsored by the Auxiliary to the Cumberland County Medical Society, and this year raised over \$13,300 for the benefit of health education and medical libraries at Maine Medical Center and Mercy Hospital. More photos of this milestone event inside. (A/V Photos)

May 19, 1982

Don't be negative; there's more time

Good news for late developers! The deadline for entering the 1982 MMC Employee Photo Contest has been set ahead almost one week. The new deadline is 5:00 PM May 25.

Any MMC employee, volunteer, or member of the medical staff is eligible to enter the contest. The five categories should cover any photograph you have or could possibly take: People, Animals, Scenic, Black & White Open, and Snapshot.

The Snapshot category was included for a special reason. Almost everyone has a one-of-a-kind shot taken with an instamatic or a polaroid-type camera. While the photo may be lacking somewhat in artistic merit or technical quality, it may have value for some other reason, such as subject matter. So, you needn't have an expensive camera or spend a lot on printing and enlarging to enter the contest -- there may be something in the album worth entering already.

May 25 will arrive quickly, so check out the rules on the bulletin board near the **What's Happening** display board on the Ground Floor. Or call the Public Information Office at x2196.

The Departments of

Community Mental Health Occupational Therapy and

Rehabilitation Medicine Occupational Therapy

invite all MMC employees to

an OPEN HOUSE with a tour and orientation

Thursday, May 20, 1982

Community Mental Health OT

10:00 - 11:30 AM

McGeachey Hall

Rehabilitation Medicine OT

2:30 - 4:00 PM

G3 & R4

Refreshments will be served

Ventrex principals add private support

Seven local citizens, all of them officers or principal stockholders of Ventrex, a prominent local biomedical corporation, have recently joined in making individual personal commitments to provide a total of \$50,000 in private gifts to support two major health care programs.

\$30,000 will go to the Cancer Radiation Treatment Fund, which is providing the new 20-million-volt linear accelerator. This is being used by the Southern Maine Radiation Therapy Institute, located at Maine Medical Center, to treat thousands of cancer patients each year from all parts of Maine and neighboring regions. The remaining \$20,000 comprises an early commitment to MMC's new Capital Campaign, a multi-million-dollar program of private philanthropy to provide part of the \$57.6 million for a major new effort to build and expand, renovate, and equip new and improved health care facilities at the Maine Medical Center.

The seven donors are Robert Foster, Myron Hamer, Arthur McEvoy, Narayan Nayak, Roger Piasio, all of Yarmouth; John Lincoln, of Freeport; and Hugh Johnston, M.D., of New Gloucester.

"We are especially grateful for these generous gifts," says Rudolph T. Greep, Chairman of the Cancer Radiation Treatment Fund. "These gifts have raised our total to more than \$818,000, well above the \$780,000 needed to pay for the linear accelerator." The Cancer Radiation Treatment Fund continues to attract a wide range of gifts, and any that come in beyond those needed to pay for the linear accelerator will be used for future, additional capital needs at the Southern Maine Radiation Therapy Institute.

Nursing Continuing Education Programs

- Infections in Burned Patients, Michael Bach, M.D.
 May 27, 1982 2:00-3:00 PM
 Burn Unit
- The Diabetes Challenge -- 1982
 Rita Nemchik, RN, MS
 May 20, 1982 8:00 AM 4:30 PM
 Verrillo's Red Coach Convention
 Center

Advance registration required. Contact Staff Development at x2397 for further information.



VENTREX PRINCIPALS met at MMC recently to present their gift. Pictured are (front row, from left): J. Howard Hannemann, M.D., Director of MMC's Division of Radiation Therapy; Rudolph T. Greep, CRTF Chairman; Robert Foster and Hugh Johnston, M.D., representing Ventrex. (Back row, from left) P. Narayan Nayak, Roger Piasio, John Lincoln, Myron Hamer, and Arthur McEvoy, also representing Ventrex. (A/V Photo)

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of Human Services; Richard Nealis, M.D., ER Staff Physician at H.D. Goodall Hospital in Sanford; George T. Nilson, MPH, Executive Director of the Maine Lung Association; and Jeannette Simmons, D. Sci., a faculty member of the Harvard and Dartmouth Medical Schools and Chairman of the Board, National Center for Health Education.

The COPD conference is part of a demonstration project funded by the Bingham Fund and co-sponsored by SMACH and the Maine Lung Association. Goals of the project, of which Dr. Simmons is the primary investigator, include education of health professionals, coordination of activities related to COPD, and a study of reimbursement methods for education and rehabilitation.

SMACH is a consortium of seven hospitals in Southern Maine committed to developing professional education initiatives, shared services, voluntary regional health planning, and health research projects. The member hospitals are Maine Medical Center, H. D. Goodall Hospital, Mercy Hospital, Osteopathic Hospital of Maine, Webber Hospital, York Hospital, and Westbrook Community Hospital.

For more information about the COPD conference, call SMACH at 283-0126.



THE MAINE MEDICAL CENTER Cheesecake Contest featured eight tasty entries, but the judges chose one from each category. The judges -- from left above: Wayne Clark, Public Information; Barbara Watson, Admitting; and Robert Underwood, Food Services. In the Traditional category, the winner was the sole entry, from Peggy Cooper, Food Services. In the Fancy category, the winner was Nancy Sheldon, RN, CEN, Emergency. (A/V Photo)

Teen series to look at substance abuse

The eighth in a series of Forums on Adolescent Issues is scheduled for Monday, May 24 at Noon, in Classrooms 3&4 at MMC. Sponsored by the Maine Region I Adolescent Pregnancy Program, the eighth forum will be "Substance Abuse in Teens," featuring Stephen Andrews, Executive Director of Day One, Susannah Loeser, Ed.D., Director of Counseling at Crossroads, and Katherine Garren, Prevention Coordinator at Community Alcoholism Services.

Please Note

The Diabetic Education classes normally held from 1:30 to 3:30 PM in the R1 Day Room will be cancelled May 20 only, because both instructors will be attending the "Diabetes Challenge" seminar that day.

The Maine Medical Center Hemophilia Treatment Center will hold its semi-annual Hemophilia Clinic Day on Friday, May 21, at 1:00 PM in the Pediatric Clinic on P1.

EAC News

It's time once again for the annual EAC Lobster Raffle. The raffle will be kicked off at Honor Night, May 19, by Art Stevenson. Tickets are \$1.00 each or five for \$4.00, and there will be five lobsters in each drawing.

Sawyer's Flower Shop, at 737 Congress Street, is discontinuing its 15% discount offer as of June 1. Please remember to remove the page from your discount brochure.

The Red Sox buses are back again as well. There will be a trip for the June 12 game against Cleveland and for the August 28 game against California. The price is \$18 per game, including the bus and tickets. They are available from Art Stevenson, Unit Manager, or Beverly Cookson, Cafeteria.

New Employees

CSD: Richard Snow
EMERGENCY: Kelly Jackson
FOOD SERVICES: Patricia Billingslea
INTERNS AND RESIDENTS: Allen Sloan,
M.D.

MED. TECH. SCHOOL: Alison Luck

The 10th Annual Downeast Used Book Sale



Above, the line forms early each year for the book sale, with as many as 100 people awaiting the opening of the South Portland Armory's doors. Below, patrons examine the thousands of volumes available. Those in a hurry to find the best bargains share the sale with leisurely browsers, and many a year's worth of reading material leaves the Armory during the three-day sale. Many people and companies donated their time and other help for the sale, including warehousing, trucking, collecting, sorting, pricing -- and all the other necessities of a sale of this size. The ultimate beneficiaries of the effort are Maine Medical Center and Mercy Hospital. (A/V Photos)



Marketplace

BABYSITTING: In my Windham home. Any age, any hour, have big yard. Call 892-6086 anytime.

FOR RENT: Upper portion of 2-family house. 2nd and 3rd floors, 4 BR in 3rd floor. Newly insulated and sided. Available July 1. 1-yr. lease and sec. dep. \$340/mo. unheated. Call 772-6536.

FOR SALE: Baby furniture. Crib w/mattress, playpen, car seat, baby carrier, wooden potty chair, high chair, and carriage. Call 797-7304 anytime.

FOR SALE: Custom-built trailer with 6ton capacity, for transporting boat or car. Tandem wheels, electric brakes, never used. \$1500. Call 799-7979.

FOR SALE: Code-A-Phone model 333. Answering machine with ASAP dialer features. Answer phone with a taped message, records caller messages, has feature for accessing taped messages from remote location. ASAP feature permits linking the system to a beeper paging service. Asking \$600. For more info. call Sacopee Valley Health Center in Kezar Falls, 625-8126.

FOR SALE: 1979 Holiday Ramblette. 27 ft., like new with 21-ft. awning and many extras. Easy towing. Call 774-7637.

FOR SALE: Nikon Everready case for EM camera, \$15, SB-E dedicated flash for EM, FE, FM, \$30 (with original packing and instructions); 20 qts. of Quaker State 10W-40 motor oil, \$15; Sennheiser HD414 headphones, \$30, in ex. cond. Call David at 772-3225 between 6 and 10 PM.

FOR SALE: Sears Kenmore Zig-Zag sewing machine. Free-arm, buttonholer, 5 utility, 5 stretch stitches. In brand-new cond. \$150. Call 772-8071.

FOR SALE: To bird lover. 3-year-old albino Cockatiel. He can be taught to talk. Includes metal cage and handbooks. Asking \$70. Call 774-7211.

FOR SALE: 14 ft. peapod. Asking \$700. Call 781-4427.

FOR SALE: Hammond organ. Model 727. Valued at \$795; asking \$695. Call 797-6234 after 5 PM.

FOR SALE: Classic convertible. 1969½ Olds 442. A/C, less than 78,000 original miles, automatic, PS/PB and more. Ex. cond. \$2,700. Call 797-6234 after 5 PM.

FOR SALE: 14 ft. Handy Cat. Traditional gaff-rig Cape Cod cat boat, fiberglass. Built by Cape Dory. 1980 4½ HP Mercury outboard. Galvanized trailer. \$3,500. Call 839-3156 after 4 PM.

FOR SALE: Refrig., \$50; 2 beds, \$75 each; washing machine, \$100; child's school desk, \$7; 2 coffee tables, \$5 each; 1 end table, \$3. Call Nancy, days, at 799-7644 or Denise, eves., at 775-0863.

ROOMMATES WANTED: Professional roommates wanted to share comfortable house on Brighton Ave. Approx. \$150/mo. including utils. \$100 sec. dep. Avail. June 1. Call 773-0148 before 2 PM or after 6 PM.

ROOMMATE WANTED: In quiet country home. Nonsmoker preferred, must like children. \$45/wk. Call 929-4366.

WANTED: Licensed driver with large station wagon or small truck to drive to Massachusetts either Tuesday, June 8 or June 15. Please write P.O. Box 7474 d.t.s., Portland, ME 04112.

WANTED: Apt. to share. Food Service Intern at MMC would like to share apartment & expenses from June 7, 1982 through August 29. Please call Peggy at 871-2618 if you can help.

GARDENERS: Rototilling cheaper than renting. Manure, lime, greenhouse seed-lings, seeds, perennials. Call 797-5199.

GARAGE SALE: May 30 and 31, from 10 AM to 4 PM. Two families are offering their "trash and treasures." Depot Street in Bar Mills, Me. Fourth house on left.

DRIVEWAYS: Driveways sealed. Free estimates, reasonable rates. Antonio Palestini, Jr. Call 773-3902 days/nights.



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YARD SALE: May 22 at 10 Kineo St., Portland, by several families. Dishes, books, frames, kitchenware from estates.

New Employees

DATA MANAGEMENT: Donald Beddie FOOD SERVICE: Julie Campbell, Blanche Smith

HOUSEKEEPING: Owen Bernard, Cheryl Conlogue

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Murphology

WEBER'S DEFINITION

An expert is one who knows more and more about less and less until he knows absolutely everything about nothing.

TRISCHMANN'S PARADOX

A pipe gives a wise man time to think and a fool something to stick in his mouth.

BUCY'S LAW

Nothing is ever accomplished by a reasonable man.

JACQUIN'S POSTULATE ON DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT

No man's life, liberty or property are safe while the legislature is in session.



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