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MMC will remember Carrell K. Pierce

Trustee Hugh C. Saunders presented the following to his fellow Maine Medical Center Board members at their most recent meeting:

"Few men have been so generous and yet so quiet and effective in their good works as was Carrell K. Pierce, long associated with the Maine Medical Center and with one of its parent institutions, the Children's Hospital. Few have given so unselfishly of themselves as he did. . .

"Carrell K. Pierce was one of the founders of the Maine Medical Center, in 1951. He served as a Trustee from 1951 to 1976, and he was Treasurer for seventeen of those years. He also served as a Trustee and Treasurer of the Children's Hospital. . .

"Mr. Pierce also served as a Trustee of Bates College, a Trustee of Westbrook College, and Trustee and Treasurer of Hebron Academy, and a Trustee of the State Conference of the United Church of Christ. In addition, he served as a Director and Treasurer of the Animal Refuge League. And he was Campaign Chairman for the Community Chest in 1948 and a Charter Member of the Planning Board for the City of Portland. . .

"Mr. Pierce, known to many as an ardent sportsman, is survived by a son, two daughters, two sisters, and twelve grandchildren -- as well as a host of friends and many who have real cause to be grateful for his quiet devotion and service to others. . .

"Therefore, Be It Resolved

That the Trustees of the Maine Medical Center hereby express their sorrow at the passing of Carrell K. Pierce and their deep gratitude and appreciation for his life full of many services to others. They further express their deepest sympathy to his

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MMC FIRE AND SAFETY OFFICER Jim Fraser conducted an annual review of fire extinguisher use for housekeeping personnel last week. He explained the various types of extinguishers, above, when to use each kind, and how to use them most effectively. The next step was to put the theory to practical use, by having his audience put out a staged "fire". Below, Fraser and the audience look on while Ralph O'Brien attacks the blaze with the proper (in this case, water) extinguisher. Fire safety and procedures are included topics in all orientation sessions for new employees, and in annual reviews such as this one. (A/V Photo)



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family, hoping that they will take some comfort in knowing that he will be long remembered by so many."

The resolution was passed by unanimous vote on August 27, 1981.

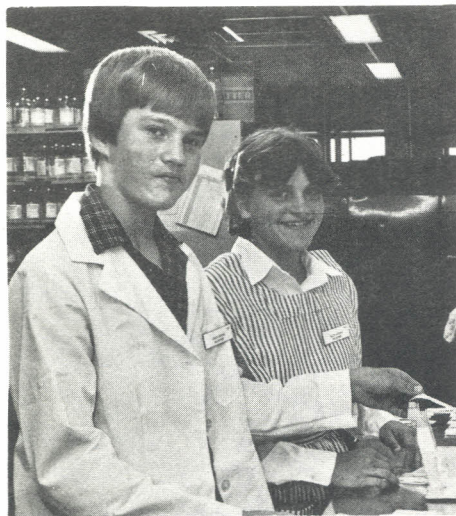
Carrell K. Pierce died on July 24, 1981. He was born in Old Orchard Beach in 1906, and grew up in Auburn, where he attended local schools. He graduated from Edward Little High School in 1924, Hebron Academy in 1925, and Dartmouth College in 1929. He became associated with H. M. Payson and Co., investment bankers, in 1930. He became a partner in 1939 and was with the firm for the rest of his life. He served for 33 years as a Trustee of the Maine Savings Bank. He was also past President and Director of the Lewiston Gas and Light Company and a Director of Northern Utilities, Inc. and of C.F. Hathaway and Company.

Nursing Continuing Education Programs

● *Parathyroidectomy and Parathyroid Transplants*, Richard Dillihunt, M.D.
September 16, 1981 8-9 AM
Recovery Room

● *Care of the Self-Destructive Burned Patient*, Edward McCarthy, M.D.
September 16, 1981 2-3 PM
Burn Unit

For further information, please call Staff Development at ext. 2397.



HELPING IN CENTRAL SERVICES kept Leslie Green (left) and Ellen LaPointe busy for part of this summer. They were two of sixty-seven young men and women participating in the summer Junior Volunteer program, which wrapped up for the year last week. (A/V Photo)

PSC to perform at discount for MMC

The Portland Stage Company, Portland's resident professional theatre, will again offer all Maine Medical Center employees a 10% discount on subscriptions to its winter season. The PSC's 8th performing season features 20th century classics and new American plays, including Tennessee Williams's classic *The Glass Menagerie*, (Nov. 5 - Nov. 22); Leigh Curran's *Alterations*, a PSC WORLD PREMIERE about a career woman who must come to terms with her multiple roles, (Dec. 3 - Dec. 20); Noel Coward's comedy *Private Lives*, (Dec. 31 - Jan. 17); *Sea Horse*, a love story by Edward Moore, (Jan. 28 - Feb. 14); and finally, another WORLD PREMIERE production entitled *Death of a Miner* by Paula Cizmar. This is a lyrical drama about an Appalachian woman coal miner who dies in a cave-in, and will be co-produced by New York's prestigious American Place Theater, playing here in Portland Feb. 28 - Mar. 14.

Depending upon the performance, subscriptions range in price from \$22.50 to \$45.00 for all 5 plays. Due to the shortened run of each play this season, popular Friday and Saturday night tickets will be at a premium, and the best way to guarantee good seats is to subscribe early. Call 774-1043 or stop by the Portland Stage Company box office located at 15 Temple St., Intown Portland, Maine.

MMC medical staff holds annual meeting

The annual business meeting of the Medical Staff is set for this Thursday evening at MMC. The agenda includes election of officers for 1981-82 and annual reports from various committees of the medical staff. The business meeting is at 8 PM in the cafeteria.

The Scientific Session for the medical staff will be at 6 PM in Classrooms 3 and 4. The speakers -- Charles F. Adams, M.D., associate anesthesiologist and Edward A. McCarthy, Jr., M.D., attending psychiatrist -- will present "Approaches to the Pain Patient."

Dinner will be at 7 PM in the cafeteria, and the business meeting will follow.

Members of the medical staff who have not yet met the annual recertification requirements in CPR may attend a training session, 5-6 PM, in Classroom 2. This will be the last session for the current year.

Blood drive nearly hits magic number

The challenge set for the August 29 blood drive at MMC was 200 pints. Blood Donor Recruitment Committee chairman William Gousse, Pharmacy, set the 200-pint goal some time ago, and has been gaining on it ever since.

As a result of Gousse's persistence, the August 29 drive nearly met the goal. 206 people presented, and 187 donated, including 17 first-timers. Not only is the goal now closer, but the 187 pints collected represent the most successful MMC blood drive in at least the last five years -- possibly ever.

And Gousse is refusing to let the challenge drop. He promises to be back for the 1981 Holiday Blood Drive with a renewed call for 200 pints of the Gift of Life.

EAC announces a classic event

The Employee Activity Committee has expanded the cultural offerings of its Employee Discount Program with a Portland Symphony Orchestra season ticket offer and a discount ticket price for an upcoming special PSO event. Two concert series -- Classical and Popular -- are included in the season ticket offer, and the special event is an outdoor "Symphony by the Sea."

The *Classical Series* consists of seven concerts featuring works by Mozart, Brahms, Beethoven, Copland, Bizet, Haydn, and Rimsky-Korsakov, performed by world-renowned guest artists.

The *Popular Series* is a four-concert offering with Canadian Brass, the Brunswick Music Theatre, pianist Marian McPartland, and an All-American Pops Concert scheduled.

Symphony by the Sea is set for September 13 at the Atlantic House in Scarborough. A variety of music is planned for the Tanglewood-style picnic and music event, including the "1812 Overture" complete with real cannons.

For details on dates, times, ticket availability, and prices call x2325. Discounts on the season tickets average 10 to 15% and the \$8.00 *Symphony by the Sea* tickets are available at only \$4.50.

There is no discount on the Candlelight Concert Series, as reported last week. The PSO says the low price of its chamber orchestra offerings is already so low a discount is not feasible.

To all my colleagues at Maine Medical Center:

We receive many letters praising and thanking us for our care, but I found this one particularly stirring. I hope you will appreciate it as much as I did.

Edward C. Andrews, Jr., M.D.
President

Dear Doctor Andrews:

I have been trying for weeks to write you this letter telling you of my appreciation for your fine hospital. The heart of this problem has been that I cannot remember, and for the most part never knew, the names of most of the good people at Maine Medical Center who were so very kind to me.

When you are very ill you hope that those charged with your recovery will be moved to do their best to effect a cure, and for the most part people in the medical profession do their best to heal our sick bodies. That, I suppose, is enough, but the interesting thing is that for the good people of Maine Medical this is not the sum of their giving or their professionalism. They bring that extra measure to bear upon your sickness -- that of deep concern and caring for the patient's well being. This, it seems to me, is most unusual, a real contribution to recovery and much appreciated.

When I was a young boy I had a very special Aunt -- Aunt Esther -- who was one of those people you often read about, sometimes hear of, but almost never know who are so full of love and caring that it flows to all the plants and animals and people they come in contact with. These remarkable people are skilled at comforting the very ill and dying and also have a talent for the instant cure of the stubbed toes and barked shins of early boyhood. For me her cures seldom took more than a squeeze on the injured part -- and infinite caring.

Well, when I had a very bad hurt last May (during what some might call my late boyhood) I was surprised, pleasantly so, to discover that the special care unit and later the cardiac care (seventh floor) at Maine Medical was populated with Aunt Esthers. Beyond any expectation, they care -- very much.

Beyond any doubt, it was that extra measure of caring that made the ultimate difference in the case of my bad hurt, and I am grateful to each of them for their special kindness which allows me this extra period in which to be grateful.

It grieves me that I do not know the names of each of these good people who were so vital to my current well-being, and while it is unfair to mention some when it is not

possible for me to list all of them, it would also be unfair not to mention specifically those I do recall.

So, let me mention Nurse Lynn Kobus who was the day nurse in the Special Care Unit during the first crucial days. She not only took charge of my physical well-being, she eased the concerns of my family with a grace independent of her valuable time so spent. Later, she took me through the difficult first emotional steps toward recovery. She was very kind.

I must also refer to your excellent residency program and spend a moment on Dr. Sear who took the immediate steps necessary on my arrival and made the extra effort to reach my wife to keep her informed of my condition. Then, too, there is the good Dr. Hall who spent much time over the next days keeping my spirit healthy as well as making major contributions to my recovery.

Then there is that penultimate medical practitioner who brings experience, knowledge, skill and compassion to his profession -- Dr. Richard Anderson to whom I owe so much and was the orchestrator of all these others. To him goes the best of allocations: "He is a healer".

Again, I must express my gratitude for the many kindnesses shown me in the special care unit of which I had at best small awareness at the time and later the warmth and care on the seventh floor of which I was very much aware. This went farther, too, and included the men who pushed me in wheelchairs to other facilities at the hospital and the nice people who cleaned the rooms.

Just when I had at last thought there were no more Aunt Esthers in a busy self-centered world, I discovered Maine Medical Center. It is nice to know that you all are there should I or one of my family ever stub our toe or bark our shin again.

My most sincere thanks,

John Wm. Hemann
Leighton's Corners
New Hampshire

Marketplace

FOR RENT: Room including kitchenette, bath. View of Casco Bay. Country setting. Call 781-4455.

FOR RENT: 1-2 BR apt., quiet brick bldg., Western Prom area, walk to MMC. Washer/dryer and storage area in basement. \$330/mo. plus utils. Call 775-1339 weekdays 9 AM - 4 PM or 774-6921 eves. or weekends.

FOR RENT: Park St. rowhouse, 2 BR, 2 baths, LR, kitchen, den, skylights, water view, deck, parking, 2 woodstove hookups, w/w carpet, washer/dryer hookups, elec. heat. \$700/mo. plus utils. For appt. Call 772-6412.

FOR SALE: 1976 Honda CVCC hatchback; 64,000 miles, 5-speed, AM/FM stereo, Michelin tires. Call 772-8442.

FOR SALE: Evergreen Valley aspen unit. Time share week 51, sleeps 4 or more. Call 998-2887 after 6 PM.

FOR SALE: Boys bicycle, 3-speed Columbia, 20", \$35. Call 929-5388 after 5:30 PM.

FOR SALE: 13 western style Levis sport coats with pants to match. All coats size 40R, pants size 32 waist, unfinished bottoms. Variety of fabrics and colors. Coats, \$40; pants, \$12.50. Call 797-8768.

FOR SALE: 2 snow tires, size B78-13, like new, \$60. Call 772-0781 after 5 PM.

FOR SALE: Girl's baby clothes from newborn to 6 mos. Call 773-7911.

FOR SALE: Gold pocket watch and chain, circa 1900, made by Waltham, \$100. Call 247-6982.

FOR SALE: Contemporary condominium, view of Portland harbor, southern exposure, perfect for single person or couple, full basement, patio, kitchen/DR, family room, lg. LR, bath, BR, near Old Port. For sale by owner, \$40,000. Call 772-7686.

FOR SALE: Starcraft pop-up camper. Includes canopy with poles and stakes, 4 burner gas stove, ice box, curtains, 2 tables. \$500 firm. Call 854-5341 after 4:30 PM.

BABYSITTING: Will sit in my home for infant or toddler, night shift. Call 773-7911.

FOR RENT: 2 BR ranch in Scarborough. New home, large lot, appliances, electric heat, carpeting, no wax floors, near schools and beaches. Call 883-6759.

FOR RENT: Large studio apt. for single occupant, Cape Elizabeth. Beach rights, furnished if desired, all utils., no pets. Off-street parking. \$55/wk. unfurnished, \$300/mo. furnished. Sec. dep. Call 799-4390 eves. or weekends.

FOR SALE: 2 wool contemporary Rya rugs, 9x12 and 5x8, best offers over \$75; stove free for taking; maple captain's chair, \$10; mahogany coffee table, \$75. Call 774-8347 after 6 PM.

ROOMMATE WANTED: To share spacious 2nd floor apt. in residential area, Forest Ave. Preferably female. Own BR, large LR, K. Call 773-7646 mornings or eves.

TYPING: Medical transcription, manuscript typing, resumes, etc. Reasonable prices, fast service. Call Wendy at 773-7059.

TYPING: Will do medical typing (misc. and/or trans.) in my home. IBM Correcting Selectric II. Reasonable rates. Efficient and accurate. Call 797-8732 after 5 PM.

WANTED: Used 4-drawer file cabinet in good cond. Call 773-3450 from 9 AM to 5 PM.

WANTED: Offices to clean. Reasonable. Call 797-8254.

WANTED: To share ride with someone working 3-11 shift, anywhere along Rt. 25 to Keazar Falls. Call 603-569-4292.

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Please Note

The Radio Page section of the MMC telephone directory should be changed as follows: Dr. Steven Zimmerman will share #651 with Dr. John Tooker.

The MMC cafeteria will be closed at 6 p.m. Thursday to accommodate the annual meeting of the medical staff.

New Employees

FOOD SERVICE: Martha Panagakos, Kemily Peterson, Alan Pettengill

HOUSEKEEPING: Joan Condiatti, Barbara Borin, Robert Peaslee, Peter Prizer

NURSING: Judy Roberts

PATHOLOGY: Louise Paradis

PHLEBOTOMY: Gregory Waite

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Murphology

SIMON'S LAW

Everything put together falls apart sooner or later.

FIRST LAW OF SOCIO-GENETICS

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