



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT ■ MAINE MEDICAL CENTER ■ PORTLAND, MAINE 04102

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THE NAME OF THE GAME

Elsie Mead, director of Volunteers and MMC's only two-term United Way chairman in recent years, told department heads Thursday that participation "will be the name of the game" in October's United Way campaign at MMC. She said that with "wholehearted support and maximum participation, the dollars will take care of themselves."

Mrs. Mead said a goal of \$25,000 has been set for this year's drive--about \$3,000 more than was pledged by MMC employees last year--and told the department heads that all members of the MMC administrative group have pledged their support. She urged the same level of support by department heads, and asked each to set an example of cooperation for every member of his department.

Mrs. Mead will be assisted in the October campaign by Vice Chairman Ed Hall, House-keeping; Beverly Cookson, Dietary; John Matthews, Engineering; Frank Barclay, Personnel; Mary Hack, Phyllis Cavallaro, Jean Sanborn and Tom Linehan, Nursing. Drs. George Higgins and Edward Kitfield will serve as vice chairmen for the House Staff.

FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

MMC Vice President Philip K. Reiman received a letter from the White House last week, asking him to extend appreciation to Assistant Director Ren Welch and all members of the MMC staff "who gave their time in making themselves available to furnish medical care to President Ford and his staff during our visit to Portland on 30 August."

Col. John J. Mahoney, M.D., assistant White House physician, worked with administrator-on-call Welch during an advance visit by the White House staff to Portland.

YOU CAN HELP TUESDAY

Another Maine Blood program drawing is scheduled Tuesday, when Red Cross personnel will be set up in the Irish classrooms to make what they hope will be another record day at MMC. Frank Barclay, assistant director of Personnel, is recruiting donors this time, and hopes that the donor list will include many new names as well as the regulars who donate every time Red Cross comes a'calling. The regulars, he says, have heard the message of the Maine Blood Program...that giving blood is a community responsibility and a partial payoff to the rest of humanity for past favors. Frank wishes a lot of new names would appear on the donor lists...people who are hearing that message for the first time. If YOU hear it, YOU can help Tuesday.

SMALLPOX VACCINATION

Recently received American Hospital Association guidelines on smallpox vaccination have been reviewed by Dr. Douglass W. Walker and Dr. William J. Hall, MMC infection control officer. The guidelines recommend smallpox vaccination for all employees and re-vaccination every three years. The MMC doctors, urging voluntary participation in the vaccination program at the Employee Health Office, pointed out that smallpox risk may be heightened in Portland by the presence of foreign vessels and crews.

ORT DIPLOMAS FRIDAY

Dr. Emerson H. Drake, MMC senior attending surgeon, will welcome relatives and friends to graduation exercises of the School of Operating Room Technology on Friday. Dr. Drake will assist Miriam Brouillard, R.N., program director, award pins and diplomas to the seven members of the Class of 1975 at 10:30 a.m. ceremonies in the NDF Classrooms.

ASSOCIATE PATHOLOGIST

Subramaniam Santosh, M.D., 31, has moved from Portland, Ore., to Portland, Me., and last week assumed his duties as an associate pathologist at MMC. Dr. Santosh completed a residency in Pathology at the University of Oregon Medical School, Portland, Ore. A graduate of B. J. Medical College, University of Poona, India, he completed a surgical residency before coming to the U.S. in 1970 for a rotating internship at Detroit, Mich., and his pathology residencies.

RAMP RE-SEALING

Administrative Engineer Don Bail said Friday that re-sealing will be underway in the parking ramp for about for about two weeks. The work will require closing portions of the parking areas as the work goes on, but will require only temporary rearrangements, he says.