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WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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MMC ALUMNI ELECT

Dr. Richard C. Dillihunt was named president of the MiC Alumni Association Thursday and Dr. Albert W. Dibbins was chosen as "teacher of the year" by the House Staff. Dr. Ruth Freeman, Ogunquit, is vice-president, and Dr. Andrew Packard, MMC, is secretarytreasurer.

The elections and presentation were highlights of the 27th annual Alumni Day which closed with an evening dinner and program in the cafeteria. Speaking briefly were Dr. Harris Hinckley, immediate past president of the Alumni Association; Dr. Douglass W. Walker, MAC medical director, and Dr. Edward C. Andrews, Jr., MAC president. Dr. Laban Leiter, president of the medical staff, conducted a brief business session.

ASSUMES NEW DUTIES

The appointment of Dr. Paul Cox as intensivist in the Special Care Unit became effective last week with the arrival of Dr. J. Mark Kjeldgaard who has assumed Dr. Cox' former duties in the Division of Pulmonary Medicine. Other recent staff appointments include: Bruce D. Harris, M.D., neurosurgeon, Portland; Stanley A. Rosenberg, H.D., internist, Portland; Keith N. Megathlin, M.D., pediatric allergist, Portland; Theodore W. Morgan, D.D.S., Gorham; David W. Trussell, D.D.S., Cape Elizabeth; Walter L. Higgins, Jr., D.M.D., Brunswick; Robert J. Mitchell, D.D.S., Cape Elizabeth; and Norman J. Valliere, D.M.D., Westbrook.

DR. CAVEN TO SPEAK

Members of the Alumnae Association of the Maine Medical Center School of Nursing have invited all nurses to attend a meeting at 8 p.m., Oct. 21, in Classroom 1. The speaker will be Dr. Robert Caven, assistant chief, Department of Family Practice, who will discuss the program of the Family Practice Unit on the city's eastern peninsula. There'll be refreshments.

DR. BARNARD HERE

Heart transplant pioneer Dr. Christian Barnard got most of the attention, but a strong cadre of MMC people also were involved at scientific sessions of the Maine Heart Association at the Eastland Saturday. They included Dr. Givertz, Dr. Hiebert, Dr. MacLeod, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Morton, Dr. Ray, Dr. McAfee, Dr. English, Dr. Osher and Dr. Matthews. Involved in a special cardiac surgery program were Vincent Brunette, C.P.T., Carol Zografos, R.N., C.C.P., and Judith Thomas, R.N., B.S.

Dr. Osher, director of the MMC Cardiology division, presented the Eugene H. Drake Award to Dr. Barnard after the latter's address Saturday.

THE UNITED WAY

Chairperson Elsie Mead reported Friday that the 1973 United Way campaign is off and running with cards being distributed to departments and to individuals by her associates throughout the hospital. The goal this year is \$25,000, but the real objective, Elsie says, is 100 percent participation. "If everyone helps by pledging as generously as he can, she said, "the money will take care of itself." Increased participation last year, Elsie said, resulted in the most successful United Way campaign in recent MMC history. It should help this year, too, she said.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

A call from Catherine O'Connor asking us to help recruit choristers for the annual Christmas party reminded us that it's not far off, and in fact will be held Dec. 9, with the usual three sittings and invitations to all full-time employees. The Chorus will rehearse in Classroom 1, at 5 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 14. All employees who like to sing will be welcomed.

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FRUIT BASKET RAFFLE

The MMC Employees' Activity Committee will be selling chances on a fruit basket Wednesday and Thursday in the cafeteria and the Admitting lobby. The winning ticket will be drawn Friday noon. Proceeds from the sale will help underwrite the EAC's Christmas projects which provide gifts for long-term patients and a food basket for a deserving MMC family.