



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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

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A CHAT WITH THE DIRECTOR

In an effort to reach more employees than could attend the recent series, three open sessions have been scheduled for discussion of current MMC topics by Executive Director Philip K. Reiman and Personnel Director Charles E. Huff. All employees are invited, and encouraged to participate with questions about working conditions, benefits, parking or whatever is of interest or concern. It's impossible for these executives to see and talk with everyone, and this series of discussions offers information for employees and insight for employers. So attend if you can.

The sessions are scheduled Tuesday, April 29, and Wednesday, April 30, in the NDF Classrooms at 1 p.m., and on Friday, May 2, in Irish Classroom 2 at 1 p.m.

A CAREER CLOSES

William J. Murphy, patient accounts manager for many years and a Maine Medical Center employee since 1952, retired Friday with the congratulations and best wishes of hundreds of his fellow workers. A strong cross-section of the MMC family turned out Friday morning for a coffee in Bill's honor, to line up and wait to shake his hand, and to watch as Treasurer Jack Dyson presented a retirement plaque. It was a fine party, and started a day that for Bill Murphy was like any other Friday, ending at the usual quitting time late Friday afternoon...except it was the last in an MMC career of 23 years.

GUESTS FROM BOWDOIN

Some 16 Bowdoin students--including five women--visited MMC Friday for a program arranged by Dr. J. Michael Taylor and members of the department of Community Medicine. There were greetings from old Bowdoin hand Peter Barnard, a slide briefing by P/R Director Joe Cobb, a case presentation by Dr. Taylor and Family Nurse Associate Rebecca Nein, and tours of the NDF. Bowdoin biology professor James Moulton, pre-med advisor, accompanied the group.

89 PINTS

MMC employees provided a total of 89 pints of blood for the Red Cross drawing here Wednesday, not setting a record, but nevertheless indicating social awareness and an active concern for the program's success. The Red Cross, after many years of success in other areas of New England, assumed the obligations of the Regional Blood program in Maine last fall, and after much difficulty, now is attracting more donors...enough to meet normal blood needs of hospitals throughout the state. It's another story, however, when blood needs exceed their normal level, and many more donors are needed, really, to move the Red Cross operation out of the crisis stage. They hope more of us will help...and so does MMC.

CRITICAL CARE

Nine nurses received certificates during a ceremony in the Irish Classrooms Friday for completion of a four-week course in critical care nursing. Agnes E. Flaherty, R.N., director, department of Nursing, joined Judith Thomas, R.N., MMC Staff Development unit teacher and course coordinator, in congratulating the R.N.'s and presenting the certificates. The course for registered nurses is composed of five units including cardiovascular, central nervous system, respiratory, renal and a miscellaneous unit. Ten other MMC nurses participated in one or more units and received continuing education credits. Awarded certificates for completion of the complete course were Diane Snow, R.N., Rhonda Cassidy, R.N., Virginia Roberts, R.N., all of MMC; Linda Cadieux, Elliott Hospital, Manchester, N.H.; Gertrude Moulthrop, R.N., Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Hanover, N.H.; Jane Whittaker, R.N. and Margery Lebel, R.N., Bath Memorial Hospital; Deborah Beaulieu, R.N., York Hospital; and Virginia Winchenbach, R.N., Knox County Hospital, Rockland.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Deborah Lee Aylward, nursing aide in Pediatrics, has been awarded a nursing scholarship from the South Portland Chapter of the Women of the Moose. During her school years Debbie participated in MMC's Candystriper program for five years and received special recognition for having served more than 1,000 volunteer hours.

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