



# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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## VETERAN EMPLOYEES

More than 50 employees received service awards Thursday at a cafeteria coffee, with the top award, for 40 years' service, going to Mrs. Sidney Grant, a laundry department member. Rutherford Small (30 years) and Phyllis York (25 years) of Dietary were runners-up. Assistant Director Ren Welch made the presentations.

Dr. John F. Gibbons and Dr. Irving Selvage, respectively chief and assistant chief of Radiology, received awards for 20 years' service, and Dr. John Lorentz, chief of Rehabilitation, was presented a 10-year award. These were presented by Dr. Douglass W. Walker, MMC medical director.

Recognized for 20 years' service by their respective department heads were Celia Williams, Anesthesia; Virginia Charlton, Cardiology and Barbara Curry, R.N., Nursing.

Pourers were Natalie Roberts of Housekeeping and Dianina Umayam of Accounting.

## BLOOD TIME AGAIN

The Red Cross team will return to MMC April 23 when an effort will be made to set a new one-day record of blood donations by MMC personnel. Between now and then, volunteers will pre-register donors at their Admitting lobby desk, and are hoping that many hospital workers will sign up for drawing times that will be most convenient for them. The drawings will be on Wednesday, April 23, in the classrooms.

Although more and more people have donated blood recently, Red Cross officials say a great need still exists, and will continue. No group is more personally aware of this than the MMC O.R. crew who helped administer 47 pints to one patient recently.

So...sign up this week, and give blood April 23.

## EYE AND EAR ALUMNAE

Graduates of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary School of Nursing were guests of the hospital Saturday. The program, which included presentations, tours and a tea, was a highlight of the group's annual reunion. MMC participants included Miss Pauline M. Fahey, R.N., who welcomed the guests, Dr. Joseph F. Stocks, chief of Pathology, and Dr. Irving L. Selvage, assistant chief of Radiology. Some 150 graduates and guests were registered for the annual reunion.

## TO RECEIVE AWARD

Donald W. Abbott, M.D., a first-year resident in MMC's Family Practice Program, has been named to receive a \$1,200 award from Mead Johnson Laboratories. Dr. Abbott is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts, and is planning to practice in Maine. He and his family live at 38 Coach Lantern Lane, Scarborough.

## SPEAKERS, SINGERS AND SLUGGERS

Dr. Robert F. Ritchie, who recently was appointed as consultant to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Bureau of Medical Devices and Diagnostic Products, will return to Belgium late this month for the 23rd annual meeting of the Protides of the Biological Fluids. He'll present a paper and chair one of the sessions. Nearer home, on Monday, April 21, MMC Development Director Peter C. Barnard will conduct a workshop session at a Spring conference of the New England Association for Hospital Development at Durham, N.H.

The MMC Chorus, readying its repertoire for Honor Night, May 13, will rehearse Tuesday at 5 p.m., in the Irish classrooms.

And the MMC softball team will make plans for the coming season with an organizational meeting in Classroom #1 between 4 and 5 p.m. on Thursday.

## EMERGENCY MEDICINE

Sixteen physicians and a physician's assistant completed a five-day course in Emergency Medicine Friday. Sponsors were MMC, the Maine Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians, and the Office of Continuing Education, Tufts University School of Medicine. Some 19 staff physicians participated in the teaching program. Eleven of the enrollees were from Maine; three from New Hampshire, and one each from Vermont, New York and California.