PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT **MAINE MEDICAL CENTER** PORTLAND, MAINE 04102 October 7, 1974

THE AIM: 100% PARTICIPATION

MMC's 1974 United Way campaign opened Friday afternoon following a series of film showings to which all employees were invited. Goal of the drive, which will run for about two weeks, is as close as possible to 100 percent participation by all MMC personnel. A dollar goal of \$18,000 has been set, and it's felt that financial success will be assured if every employee helps to the best of his ability. Payroll deductions may be arranged, and it is hoped that employees will pledge an amount weekly, rather than making a lump-sum donation.

Mrs. Elsie Mead, campaign chairperson, has named seven assistants, who in turn are asking others to be lieutenants to assist in the solicitation of every MMC employee and House Staff member.

So...participation is the main thing...even for as little as 25 cents a week...half the cost of a pack of cigarettes, or if you don't smoke, one-eighth of the cost of a five-pound bag of sugar these days. Your 25 cents a week will amount to an annual contribution of \$13, and that will be helpful indeed. If you can help more, so much the better, but the helping is the most important thing.

Last year, 55 percent of MMC's personnel pledged about \$15,000. This year's goal of

\$18,000 will be a cinch if everyone does his share.

The United Way Slogan is "It's Working... Because of You." Let's not change it to "It's Working...In Spite of You."

ACCREDITED AGAIN

Word from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals is that MMC has again been accredited for two years. The accreditation is the result of the June visit to the hospital by an inspecting team that included a physician, a nurse and an administrator. The MMC Administration expresses its thanks and congratulations to all department heads and employees who worked to make this new JCAH accreditation possible.

DR. DRAKE ELECTED

Emerson H. Drake, M.D., director of the Thoracic Surgery Division, department of Surgery and former Chief of Surgery, was named president-elect of the New England Surgical Society at the group's annual meeting in Waterville Valley, N.H., last weekend. Another MMC surgeon, George F. Sager, M.D., president of the MMC Medical Staff, was named to the executive committee. Society membership is limited to 100 surgeons from the six-state area. Last Portland physician to head the group was Dr. Carl Robinson in 1940.

VERY IMPRESSED

MMC nurses were understandably pleased, last week, to receive the commendation of a New York physician whose aunt was a recent cardiac surgery patient at MMC. "The girls in your coronary and special care units x x x demonstrated professional competence far above the level in New York City," the doctor wrote. "I'm very impressed."

Maybe we're counting our chickens, etc., but we understand a similar letter of commendation is on its way to the Emergency Division from the parents of a child treated there last week.

CANCER SOCIETY RETURNS

Physicians and medical scientists from throughout the six-state area were here Saturday for the New England Cancer Society's first visit to Portland in 30 years. The organization, which has held similar meetings in European capitals as well as in all major New England cities, is composed of specialists in the several medical disciplines involved in the treatment of cancer. Dr. Joseph E. Porter, emeritus chief of Pathology and former president of the Society, arranged the program and served as host for the session. Assisting Dr. Porter with the arrangements for the meeting were Dr. John F. Gibbons, Dr. George F. Sager and Dr. Emerson H. Drake.

Dr. Porter welcomed the group and speakers included Drs. James E. Haddow, Hugh H. Johnston, John F. Gibbons, J. Howard Hannemann, Robert E. McAfee, Louis G. Bove, Joseph P. Fanning, Clement A. Hiebert, Ronald J. Carroll, George F. Sager and Louis N. Taxiarchis.

TODAY: Orientation for all new employees, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon in the NDF Classrooms.

... all in the family

EAC ACTIVITIES

Food Sale in the Admitting Lobby slated for Wed., Oct. 23, from 7:30 a.m. All home-cooked food. Proceeds are used to underwrite EAC-sponsored trips and social activities planned to benefit YOU and your fellow MMC EMPLOYEES.

Bus Trip Annual Christmas-season bus trip to Boston. Leave Bramhall entrance at 8 a.m., Sat., Dec. 7, return at 5 p.m. from Boston. In spite of rising prices your EAC bus fare for this trip has been held to a low \$6 per person. Reservations, which must be paid in advance, may be made by calling Louise Gibson, 2106, or Ethel LeFebre, 2419.

Art Club Interested in joining others who want to learn how to draw, paint, etc.? Join the Art Club...first meeting at 4 p.m., Wed., Oct. 9, Classroom #1. If you're interested but can't make the first meeting, contact Tom Cowie at 2307.

Variety Show The EAC has plans for a Variety Show to be presented in February. If you'd like to take part, call Steve Blanchard, Radiology, or put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Admitting Lobby during the EAC Food Sale on Oct. 23.

HERE AND THERE

Henry White, Day Watch Engineer, was elected president of Chapter I, National Association of Power Engineers at the September re-organizational meeting. David Choate, MMC fireman, was named to serve a one-year term as a trustee.

Carole Knickerbocker, R.N., was guest of honor at a late summer party at Inn Crowd North given by fellow workers in NICU. Carole has taken a postion in Michigan.

Susan McKenney, who recently arrived in Portland from the Canal Zone, Panama, has begun duties as a dietitian at MMC.

A combination party was given by the girls on P4D. Farewell to Debbie Moffitt, R.N., who's leaving for California, and a housewarming for Myrtle Rogers, LPN.

WANTED, SALE OR RENT

FOR SALE: 3-piece set Samsonite luggage. Less than a year old, used very little. Hot pink. Cost \$120 new. Will accept best offer. Louise Gibson, Personnel.

FOR SALE: 1973 VW Camper, 13,000 miles, radio, heater, aus. gas heater, side tent & pop-up penthouse. \$3,200. Call Les Fournier 772-0329.

FOR RENT: New all-electric 2-bedroom apt. Stove, refrig., disposal, wall-to-wall, patio, parking. Dead-end street near busline. 15-min. walk to Shopping Center. Children & pets welcome. \$225 includes all utilities. 180 Woodlawn Ave. Call: 797-6008.

FOR SALE: Gas stove with end heater. Very good condition. Also available, two gas hot-water heaters. Call 774-2825. Can be seen at 22 Devon St., Portland.

FOR SALE: Maytag, apartment-size, clothes dryer, avacado. In excellent condition. Cost \$130 new, will sell for \$75. Contact Miss Cushman, Dietary.

FOR SALE: 1974 Grande Torino Elite, 6,000 miles, excellent condition except for cracked windshield. New tires. \$2,900 or best offer. See Tiny in the Baker's shop before 8 a.m.

FOR SALE: 2 nurse's aide regulation uniforms \bar{c} aide badge, size 8, never been worn. \$12. Call 773-0389

WANTED: electric stove, preferably 30". Please call D. Farnum, U.C., P2D.

FOR SALE: 1973 MGB, teal blue c silver racing stripes. 30,000 miles, excellent condition, all optionals. Gets 30 mpg. Donna Krah, LPN, P2D, or call 586-5544.

FOR SALE: 3-piece fireplace brush set, \$15; also white lavatory c faucets, five years old, \$25. Mrs. P. Grover, 854-5016.

FOR RENT: Apt., 1 mi. MMC, Oakdale St., 1st fl., 7 rms, 2 baths, finished basement with 1/2 bath, garage & yard parking, dishwasher, disposal, washer/dryer hookups, elec. range & refrig., if needed; \$225/mo. unheated, plus security. Call 773-4469 evenings.

FOR SALE: Purebred Persian kittens. No papers \$50 each, 3 males, 1 female. C. Croteau, P2D, or 775-8419 after 12 noon.

FOR RENT: 4-rm. apt. 'til June 1; $1\frac{1}{2}$ bath, 2-bdrm, oil heat, partially furn. Pine Pt. Call 883-3394 after 6 p.m.

FOR SALE: Men's size $8\frac{1}{2}$ figure skates, Reidell One-Star, used four hours. Cost \$60 new, will sell for \$40. Also snare drum, blue pearl. Good condition. 781-4907.

FOR SALE: Mobile home 50' x 10', 2 bdrms, full bath, stove, refrig. dinette set, etc.
Very good condition.\$3,800.Lynn Ames, Pediatrics

FOR SALE: 1973 Alcort Sunfish 14' sailboe white with red/blue stripes. Excellent condition. New this summer. \$450. Call Donna Krah, LPN 586-5544.