

# WHAT'S HAPPENING ...

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#### CONGRATULATIONS CONTINUE

People are still saying "thanks" to the employees of the Maine Medical Center for their generosity in the recent United Way campaign. More than \$21,000 was pledged by hospital people, you'll remember, far exceeding the goal of \$18,000. There was a citation for Mrs. Elsie Mead, MMC United Way chairperson, during the campaign closing dinner Thursday at the Red Coach, and a congratulatory letter to Executive Director Philip K. Reiman from the United Way leadership. The Greater Portland drive narrowly missed its rather ambitious goal of \$1,813,000, but the community is well aware that people at MMC did more than their part toward the success of the 1974 effort.

## JOIN THE CHORUS

Plans for the annual Christmas Party include an appearance by the MMC Chorus, and Director Catherine O'Connor has scheduled rehearsals for the next four Tuesdays at 5 p.m. in the Irish Classrooms. You don't have to be a professional, Catherine says, or to have a lot of choral experience...just show up and sing, and it'll be fun. The first rehearsal session is scheduled tonight...Nov. 12, and you'll be welcome.

### YOUR BLOOD IS NEEDED

As most of us know, there have been mighty changes in the blood donor system for Portland and the entire state in recent months. DonorCall was pretty well supplanted by Regional Blood Banks, Inc., and now the American Red Cross has assumed the responsibility of meeting the blood needs of patients at MMC and in other hospitals throughout the state. It's another new ball game, and like anything new, the Red Cross program is having trouble getting off the ground. They need donors...people like us, who have donated to previous programs on a regular basis. They're asking that we resume our voluntary schedule...right now, to help them over the beginning bumps.

There are new pamphlets throughout the hospital telling about the new Red Cross effort and its donor needs...but they're not really for us, we know the story. We know why blood is needed, and how we can help. The Maine Blood Program of the Red Cross is located at 524 Forest Avenue, Portland, telephone 775-2367.

## SAFETY COFFEE

Certificates of achievement will be presented to MMC people who have completed a recent course in industrial accident prevention at a coffee Nov. 22. The event, being planned by Administrative Engineer Donald W. Bail, is scheduled at 9 a.m. in the NDF Classrooms.

## VISITING GASTROENTEROLOGISTS

MMC's Division of Gastroenterology and Warren-Teed Pharmaceuticals, Inc., are cosponsors of a "Visiting Gastroenterologist" program scheduled Friday, Nov. 15, in the NDF Classrooms. Guest speakers will be Howard M. Spiro, M.D., professor of Medicine at Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, and James J. King, M.D., assistant clinical professor of Medicine at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine, Cleveland. MMC participants will include Drs. Douglass W. Walker, Albert Aranson, Laban W. Leiter, Newell A. Augur, Jr., and Irving J. Poliner. Dr. Leiter is program coordinator.

## A BUSY WEEK

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the week of Nov. 18--next week--are loaded with MMC activities. The formal opening of the Family Practice Unit on Munjoy Hill at 3 p.m. Tuesday, with an open house to follow. The people of the Eastern Peninsula and Casco Bay islands have been invited to visit the Unit on Wednesday for an all-day open house. On the same day, members of the American Cancer Society will be meeting at the Ramada, and will visit the NDF as part of their schedule in the afternoon. On Thursday, long-term MMC employees will be honored at a 9 a.m. coffee in the Cafeteria Conference rooms. A "Symposium on Health: Community Medicine, Family Practice and Health Education" will be held at 2 p.m. in the NDF Classrooms followed at 4 p.m. by the annual meeting of the MMC Corporators with an address by Margaret Mahoney, vice president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation followed by tours of the new Muniov Hill facility. The Safety Awards coffee is Friday.

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## EAC ACTIVITIES

Art Club is underway with lots of enthusiasm...meetings are held in the R8 Paint Shop, Wednesdays at 5 p.m. All interested employees invited. Information available from Tom Cowie, Hospital Engineering.

Boston Bus Trip tickets can be purchased from Louise Gibson, Personnel, 2106. Bus for direct trip to Boston will leave Bramhall entrance at 8 a.m., return at 5 p.m. \$6 per person, Saturday, Dec.7.

Variety Show plans are in the works for April. Watch for announcements soon.

## HERE AND THERE

Amy DiBiase, secretary to Mr. Kilmartin, and Lu Burton, secretary to Mr. Reiman, attended the Northeast District Conference of the National Secretaries Association (international) held during October at Mt. Pocono, Pennsylvania.

Irene B. Murray, R.N., is chairman of registration for the Nurses' Association of OBS/GYN conference slated for Nov. 13 at Ramada Inn. Dr. Donald J. McCrann, Jr., of the MMC staff will speak on fetal monitoring. Association officers are: Frances Robinson, R.N., chairman; Ruth Martin, R.N., vice chairman; and Joan Ward, R.N., secretary-treasurer.

From P2D: Donna Irish, U.C., has a 7 lb., l oz. baby boy; Julie Strumph, U.C., spent her vacation at Disney World in Florida; Asst. Head Nurse Sue Fielding left MMC to become a Public Health Nurse; welcome to Judy Bucher, R.N., who transferred from EmD; Virginia Woodbury, R.N., & Rachel Rolfe, R.N., attended a conference on the Seriously Ill Child held in Indiannapolis; and Carolyne Matthews, LPN, transferred to Medical Records.

Patricia Sanville, N.A., was honored by fellow workers on P4D with a party at the home of Betty Legere, R.N. Pat has joined the staff of the hospital's pharmacy.

Jean Jackiewiez, Medical Records, is sporting a new blue hatchback Vega.

Ethel Diaz left Central Registry recently to begin a new career...marriage.

Louise Ricci Delaney, Orthopedic Clinic, will return to work Nov. 25 following a two-week honeymoon.

If you've noticed crutches--three pairs--in the Bramhall building, it wasn't from a hospital disaster...Sally Powers, RN, was hiking the White Mtns., Sher Cushman, secretary, was getting off her motorcycle, and Sherry Hamel, Pediatrics, was leaving the Ramada in a big hurry.

## WANTED, SALE OR RENT

WANTED: old wooden kitchen table. Contact Sally in OPD.

FOR SALE: Midi winter coat, size 10-12, worn 3 times, fur collar & trim, paid \$50 will accept best offer. Contact Dorothy Kaler, P4D or call 774-1378 between 9:30 a.m. & 1 p.m.

WANTED: Your rummage...will pick up. Please call 772-0320 anytime. Proceeds to pay foreign student's college expenses.

FOR RENT: 1-bedroom apartment, \$120 per month; also single room at \$70 monthly. Call 934-4046 or 934-5197.

FOR SALE: 1965 Rambler Convertible, \$150 Call 934-5197.

FOR SALE: Reiker ski boots (fur-lined) Size 6, blue. Excellent condition, \$50. Call Denise in Radioisotopes.

FOR SALE: Dovre ski rack for VW, with lock, good condition \$9. Call 846-9445.

FOR SALE: Lady Reiker ski boots, excellent condition, \$50. Call Deina in Radiation Therapy.

WANTED: Ride from Riverton area. Hours 8-5, Mon. thru Fri. Will help with expenses. Contact Dave Andrews, Radiation Therapy or call 797-6943 evenings.

FOR SALE: Handmade afghans, \$30; baby afghans \$7; crocheted pillows \$4.50; crocheted or knitted shawls \$7.50; Granny bag pocketbooks \$3 & up. Call 883-6189.

FOR FREE: 4 adorable kittens; 2 gray & black, 1 gold tiger & 1 money cat. Call Diane DiConzo, Radiation Therapy.

WANTED: Small apartment, reasonable rent in vicinity MMC. See Anne in OPD.

WANTED: Roommate for 7-room apartment, MMC area, somewhat furnished. Contact Sherry Hamel in Pediatric Clinic.

WANTED: well-priced, used binocular microscope in good condition. David Andrews, Rad. Therapy or 797-6943 after 5 p.m.

WANTED: person to do light housework 1/2 day per week. Contact Betsy Hyett in OPD.

FOR SALE: Car-top carrier, VW ski rack, louvered house blinds, various dimensions; ping pong table. Don Bail, Hosp. Engineering

FOR SALE: Stainless steel, 4-burner ele ic counter-top stove unit. In working contition. \$15. Marge Harris, Public Relations.