



# WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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

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## A "MITSIE" LANDING

Patients and employees in the Richards Wing had a front-row seat for the first "MITSIE" landing on MMC's new heliport adjacent to the EmD. "MITSIE," code name for the 112th Maine Army National Guard's medical helicopter, stands for Maine Incubator Transport Service for Infant Emergencies.

Last Monday's rescue flight brought an infant--born only hours earlier at St. Joseph's Hospital, Bangor--to MMC's Neonatal Intensive Care Center. The success of this landing means precious minutes can now be saved in transporting these tiny babies to MMC from throughout the State. Pictures of the MMC heliport and a 'copter landing taken by Medical Photographer Doug MacKenzie are being displayed this week on the bulletin board near the Pharmacy.

## HEAD NURSE APPOINTMENTS

Agnes E. Flaherty, R.N., director of Nursing, announced two new head-nurse appointments Friday. Rose Riordan, R.N. and Suzanne Langlois, R.N. will assume head-nurse responsibilities on P3C&D and R3 respectively. Both appointments become effective today.

## NEW RESIDENT ARRIVES

Thomas J. Lynch, Jr., a student in the University of Minnesota School of Hospital Administration, arrives this week to begin an administrative residency program. He was graduated in 1971 from Boston College with a major in marketing.

Lynch will spend the first few weeks getting to know MMC people and locations and will then begin special projects as part of the requirements for his Master's degree in Hospital Administration.

## BLOOD DONORS NEEDED

During the summer months there's a need for additional blood donors to help Regional Blood Banks, Inc., maintain a good inventory of blood for Portland's hospitals. To make it as convenient as possible for MMC employees and friends to make blood donations, an RBB technician is available for drawings in the MMC Blood Bank daily Monday thru Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. You may sign up as a donor at the special desk manned by the Friends of MMC in the Admitting lobby or call the Blood Bank at 2121 for an appointment.

## A NEW CITIZEN

Dianina T. Umayam of the Accounting department--better known to MMC friends as Dee Dee--happily announced this past week that she has passed the examination for U. S. citizenship. Formal swearing-in ceremonies will take place later in the summer. Dee Dee has worked at MMC since arriving in Portland from the Philippine Islands in September, 1969.

## SAFETY AWARENESS

The first part of a five-hour Safety Awareness Program will be presented today and Tuesday by Kilburn Child of Boston. The program--sponsored by Employee Education--will be held in the NDF classroom from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. both days. The second part is scheduled for July 29 & 30 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., also in the NDF classroom. As safety is a hospital-wide concern, all department heads are urged to send representatives. The program will be of special value to those responsible for filling out accident reports.

## TOP CONTENDER

Coach Gary Sanborn's MMC softball team is a top contender for first place in the second-half of Portland's Industrial Softball League. A grand slam home run last Thursday by Bruce Ferguson, Research, brought MMC from behind to a 14-11 win over Burnham & Morrill's.

The MMC team will play Maine National Bank Wednesday at the Lyman Moore Field and will face first-half league winner Portland Firemen at a 6:15 p.m. game at the Jack Junior High Field on Thursday.

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