



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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

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THE DOOR IS OPEN

The new ground-floor entrance to the General Building, moved downstream from its original location when the New Diagnostic Facility was built, has been opened for use by employees and the public. The NDF parking lot, however, is restricted to cars bringing non-ambulatory or wheel chair patients to the Southern Maine Radiation Therapy Institute. There's "no parking" for other patients, for visitors or employees in this small area.

EXPLORERS TO MEET

A new group of Medical Explorers--Portland-area high school students aimed at health careers--will meet for the first time this season Thursday, Dec. 5 in the NDF lecture rooms. This week's session will open a series of bi-weekly meetings during which the young people will be exposed to many phases of health care as presented by MMC department heads and others. Bill Gousse, assistant director of Pharmacy Services, is directing the Explorers' program. Thursday's meeting will mark the start of the second year MMC has sponsored the Explorer program. Philip K. Reiman, MMC executive director, will welcome the group.

TO BE HONORED

Two MMC volunteers of long standing will be honored Friday by their departments at a tea in Mr. Reiman's office. Mrs. Isabel Allen, Health Sciences Library volunteer, and Miss Charlotte R. Moore, Chaplain's office volunteer, will be guests of honor at the four o'clock event. Mrs. Allen and Miss Moore have each served more than 5,000 hours at MMC.

The tea will be a highlight of a week that will see a total of three events honoring MMC Volunteers. On Tuesday, Candystrippers will receive their annual awards at a special program, and on Wednesday, the Clinic Volunteers will be guests at an appreciation tea and instructional program.

INTERNATIONAL TOUR

The clinical utilization of plasma protein analysis at MMC has been the subject of six presentations in recent weeks by Dr. Robert F. Ritchie. Sponsored by non-commercial organizations, the presentations are indicative of the increasing interest in the work being carried on by Dr. Ritchie and his associates at MMC. The presentations were made in Lincoln, Neb., Bethesda, Md., Montreal, Canada; Malmo, Sweden; London, England; and at Harvard Medical School.

THE DATE APPROACHETH

December 10, that is...the date of the Employees' Christmas Party. Chairman Bill Gousse reports plans and preparations pretty well under control, thanks to the efforts of his committee assistants. They include, he says, John Romano and Bev Cookson, decorations; Kathy Kaulakis, hosts and hostesses; Elaine Smalley, gifts and corsages, and Marge Harris, Frank Barclay and Ren Welch. New this year: gifts of canned hams provided by the Employees' Activity Committee have been added to Santa Claus' traditional bag of goodies. There'll be Christmas music by the MMC Chorus directed by Miss Catherine O'Connor, and of course a fine turkey dinner which all of us will be ready for about then.

SHORT TAKES...

Irene Dempsey, Blood Bank, has asked us to help express her thanks to those who sympathized in her recent loss....Eugene E. Loubier, administrative director, addressed members of the South Portland Rotary Club last week, and Dr. Douglass W. Walker, medical director, was the after-dinner speaker Friday at the Woodfords Club.

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