



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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

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HIS THANKS TO ALL

Julian Davis has asked us to express his gratitude to all members of the MMC family who helped when his West Buxton home burned just before Christmas. The orderly, his wife and their seven children were benefitted by more than \$930 in cash and a truckload of clothing, furnishings and gifts provided by hospital friends. The family has a new home, now, and Julian is still picking up things that have been donated to help them in getting a new start.

JOINS NURSING STAFF

Miss Lori Prybyl, formerly with the office of Health Care Education, University of New Hampshire, has joined the MMC Nursing department as research staffing coordinator. A graduate of Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, Wisc., Miss Prybyl was awarded a Master's degree in hospital administration from St. Louis University. She has served as a consultant to extended care facilities in Texas and Maine. Miss Agnes Flaherty, R.N., director of nursing, said Miss Prybyl will evaluate present scheduling of nursing personnel and develop improved staffing of patient care units.

NAMED TO STAFF

The following have been appointed to the MMC Medical Staff by action of the Board of Trustees: Fred L. Ginn, M.D., department of Pathology, MMC; Cathel A. Macleod, M.D., 131 Chadwick Street, Portland; and Louis N. Taxiarchis, M.D., department of Pathology, MMC.

2,288 MAN-HOURS LOST

Administrative Engineer Don Bail reported last week that there were 209 reportable accidents at MMC in 1972, 30 of which required the employees--and the institution--to lose a total of 2,288 man-hours. The accident frequency was up to 9.7 lost-time accidents in every million man-hours from 5.5 in 1971. Most of the lost-time accidents, he said, were needle punctures, cuts and back strains.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Members and guests of the Medical Employees' Federal Credit Union will attend a buffet dinner, annual meeting and dance scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 24, at the Elks' home, Outer Congress Street. There'll be door prizes, the committee says, and tickets will be \$3, believe it or not.

THE ICE FOLLIES

Also a bargain is the trip and ticket package that the Employees' Activities Committee has put together for Feb. 19 and the Ice Follies at Boston Garden. The EAC is offering both for \$10.50, and guaranteeing good seats for the Monday matinee. If it sounds good, see the committee chairmen, Louise Gibson, Personnel, and Bob Anderson, Library.

BLUE RIBBON EXHIBIT

MMC is one of 20 New England hospitals selected for Blue Ribbon Exhibits at the New England Hospital Assembly in March. The MMC booth will feature the Patient Care Committee's patient interview program, and the feedback that allows quick and effective correction of problems and improvement of care. Some 68 New England hospitals entered the annual Blue Ribbon project contest, and MMC's entry was second place winner.

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