



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

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THE MMC 'CAMPUS'

Dr. Albert Aranson, chief of internal medicine and director of medical education, told Friends of Maine Medical Center last week that 102 doctors and medical students will be trained at MMC during the year that begins in June. They will include 15 interns, 46 residents, 16 third-year Tufts students and 25 fourth-year students from other medical schools. He said the programs will cost \$1.1 million, roughly half of which will be contributed in teaching time by 130 attending staff physicians on a voluntary basis.

FIRST WORKOUT

Thursday's incident at a local clothing factory put 35 employees into the three Portland acute-care hospitals and provided the first real trial of a local disaster plan. Dr. Darrell P. Thorpe, MMC ambulatory care director, and Edward J. McGeachey, MMC administrator, were at the scene and in radio communication with the emergency rooms as ambulances, cruisers and private vehicles were dispatched with victims of the still-undefined illness. Dr. Robinson Bidwell, MMC's medical disaster chief, was in constant radio communication with authorities at the scene. The system enabled all three to evaluate the situation and to make necessary decisions rapidly. MMC received 18 of the patients, all of whom were discharged after several hours of observation. Local authorities felt the plan worked well in its first trial.

WINS PHS HONOR

Philomena Ventresca, a part-time employee in Medical Records and a Portland High senior, was presented a trophy Wednesday evening for excellence in the school's cooperative education program. The award was an event of the annual Cooperative Education Employer-Employee dinner at Holiday Inn. Attending with Miss Ventresca was Shirley Baumgartner, RRA, assistant director of Medical Records.

NAMED TO STAFF

The following have been appointed to the Medical Staff by action of the Board of Trustees Richard C. Britton, M.D., chief, department of Surgery; Peter E. Goldfine, M.D., psychiatry; Donald A. Leeber, M.D., nephrology; and Carl W. Carlson, D.D.S., of Portland.

THREE CERTIFIED

The Association of Operating Room Technicians has certified Katherine A. Ludden, Linda A. Boucher and Joan E. Bacon following examinations. All three are graduates of the MMC Operating Room Technicians program.

PNA REFRESHER

Graduates of the MMC-U of M Pediatric Nurse Associate program returned recently for a day-long refresher that included presentations by John E. Knowles, M.D., Robert G. Sommer, M.D., E. Charles Kunkle, M.D., and Sumner Berkovich, M.D. Mrs. Margaret Howard, R.N., made the introductions, and George W. Hallett, M.D., provided a recap of his three years as director of the program.

RECOGNITION DINNER

Chaplains of all denominations who have been active in the MMC Chaplaincy program during the past five years will be honored at a dinner in the cafeteria Thursday, May 25 at 6:30 p.m. More than 30 chaplains will receive certificates of recognition from MMC Chaplain Karl S. Andersen. The affair will be sponsored by the MMC Chaplains' Office and the Protestant Hospital Chaplaincy Board.

SOFTBALL PRACTICE

Monday night at Portland Stadium field at 6 p.m. and Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Kiley Field on Eastern Promenade. Coach Stevenson hopes for a good MMC turn out.

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