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PATHOLOGISTS NAMED

Appointment of two associate pathologists was announced last week by Joseph F. Stocks, M.D., acting chief pathologist, and Douglass W. Walker, medical director. Louis N. Taxiarchis, M.D., a former MMC intern and resident, Associate Pathologist at Mercy and Goodall Hospital, Sanford, assumed his new duties Friday. Fred L. Ginn, M.D., director of Clinic Laboratories, University of Maryland Hospital and director of the School of Medical Technology, University of Maryland, will join the MMC Pathology department later this month.

FOR PATIENT SAFETY

MMC employees were reminded last week of the long-standing MMC policy that forbids smoking on elevators and in patient areas. This regulation is essential for the comfort and safety of patients.

ALL SEATS SOLD

A pre-Christmas bus trip to Boston--maiden project of the new Employees' Activity Committee--is sold out. The bus will leave MMC's Bramhall entrance at 8 a.m., Saturday, December 9, leaving Boston at 5 p.m. Chairman Arthur Stevenson says several other projects have been discussed by the new committee, among them a buffet-dance tentatively scheduled for St. Patrick's Day, March 17. More about this as time goes on. Meantime, the committee is circulating a form on which employees are asked to express their interests. It will help the committee in planning special activities.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY

All is in readiness, and the annual Employees' Christmas Party--"Christmas in Fantasyland"--is set for the afternoon of Tuesday, December 12, with the usual fine dinner, music by the MMC Chorus, a skit about a brand-new MMC nurse named Snow White, and of course a visit by Santa Claus. There'll be three sittings, starting at 2 p.m.

A WORD OF THANKS

Maintenance Engineer Donald W. Bail expressed his appreciation this week to all staff members and employees for their cooperation during Tuesday night's run of the emergency generator. Further work and tests are scheduled.

THE CONLEY LABORATORY

Hospital leaders will gather at Holt Hall at 4:30 p.m., Friday, December 15, for the dedication of the Albert D. Conley Tissue Typing Laboratory. Mr. Conley, a Freeport resident who gave MMC \$26,000 to set up the facility, will be present, along with members of the MMC dialysis-transplant team.

CHORUS IN AUGUSTA

Members of the MMC Chorus entertained patients at Augusta General Hospital Sunday with a program of Christmas selections. The singers, directed by Miss Catherine O'Connor, R.T., administrative assistant, Radiology Department, are making several Christmas season appearances.

GREETINGS FROM ISRAEL

Jonathan M. Singer, until recently a Housekeeping department employee, has joined his family in Israel. Last week, in a letter to Mrs. Marian Bates, executive housekeeper, Jon sent holiday greetings to all his friends and co-workers at MMC.