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Join the Celebration!

Be sure to mark your calendar for **Saturday, February 20** when a major health celebration known as **"I'm Worth It"** will take place. This event will be held from 1 to 10 p.m. at the Westend Racquet, Swim and Fitness Club. A program of **HealthCounts**, **"I'm Worth It"** is designed to help people live healthier lives.

On Friday, February 12 promoters of the event will be in the Hospital handing out balloons and invitations as a special reminder. On Monday, February 15 there will be a display from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the Cafeteria which will include **HealthCounts** booklets and pamphlets.

There is no charge for **"I'm Worth It."** Hospital employees will be required to present their picture identification cards or name tags for admission.

Merger NEWS

Since the merger of The Allentown Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital Center on January 1, several departments have been reorganized. The first three departments to merge are Finance, Security and Public Relations. Other department mergers will be described in future issues of the employee newsletter.

Finance Department

Heading the Finance Department is Vaughn Gower, senior vice president and chief financial officer. Reporting directly to Vaughn are Joe Montesano, controller, and Jim Rotherham, assistant vice president.

Joe Montesano, formerly controller at The Allentown Hospital, is responsible for general accounting which includes general ledger, financial reporting, construction and fixed asset accounting, and inter-entity transactions.

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Reporting to Joe are Mike Klatchak, assistant controller, financial reporting, and Nancy Gaffney, assistant controller, general accounting. Mike, formerly assistant controller at The Allentown Hospital, is responsible for the general ledger and construction and fixed asset accounting. Nancy, formerly assistant controller, finance at the Hospital Center, is responsible for payroll, accounts payable, restricted funds and cash management.

Jim Rotherham, formerly controller at the Hospital Center, is responsible for reimbursement, cost accounting, budgeting, financial planning, and patient accounting managers.

Reporting to Jim are Bob Stover, financial analyst (formerly financial analyst at The Allentown Hospital); Rich Hager, assistant controller, reimbursement and cost accounting (formerly assistant controller at The Allentown Hospital); Bill Orlowsky, budget manager (formerly budget analyst at the Hospital Center); and Sandi Colon assistant controller, patient accounting (formerly assistant controller at the Hospital Center).

Reporting to Sandi are Susan Keller, Business Office manager at The Allentown Hospital, and Tony Molchany, manager, patient accounting, at the Hospital Center.

Security Department

Effective January 10, Bill Huber, chief of Security at the Hospital Center, has assumed responsibility for security at both the Hospital Center and The Allentown Hospital. A member of the Hospital Center's staff since February 1979, Bill was promoted to chief of Security in 1981. He has extensive police experience with the Salisbury Township Police Department and is a graduate of the Allentown Police Academy.

Reporting directly to Bill are Angel Perez and Lou Geczi. Angel, who was named Security coordinator at the Hospital Center, has been a member of the department since February 1980. He is a Vietnam veteran and was a maximum security prison guard in Texas for eight years.

Lou, Security coordinator at The Allentown Hospital, joined the department in August 1985. He was a military security officer and has several years of industrial-related security experience.

Zachary Lysek was recently promoted to sergeant/supervisor. He has been a member of the department since February 1986 and is responsible for supervising personnel and internal investigations at both sites.

The department staff also includes 15 officers and a secretary, Loren Schneider.

Communications Department

With the merger, the Public Relations Department at both The Allentown Hospital and the Hospital Center

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PLAN AHEAD

The NICU Parent Support Group will be sponsoring its annual Fastnacht Day Doughnut Sale. This year's sale will be held on **Tuesday, February 16** from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. outside of the Cafeteria.

Representatives from the group will be selling glazed, powdered, sugar and the traditional potato fastnachts.

This year the doughnuts will be made by Donut D'Lite in Trexlertown. According to NICU Parent Support Group President Susan Murray, Donut D'Lite are exactly as they advertise -- the lightest, softest doughnut around.

Please come out and help support their efforts!

The following lectures are being offered by the Comprehensive Community Cancer Center. All interested nurses are invited to attend.

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| February 25-26 | Chemotherapy:
In Theory and Practice
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
School of Nursing, Room 1911
No charge for employees |
| March 9, 16,
 23, 30
April 6, 13 | Oncology Core Course:
A Fundamental Cancer
 Nursing Course
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
LVHC, Classroom 2
\$40 fee for employees |
| March 16 | Oncologic Home IV Therapy
8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Sheraton Jetport
\$45 Greater Lehigh Valley
Chapter Oncology Nursing
Society members
\$65 non-members |

To register or for more information, call Sandy Smith, Cancer Center, at extension 2582.

Make your reservations early for the Recreation Committee's trip to see the Ice Capades at the Spectrum, Philadelphia, on **Saturday, March 5**. The show will feature the fantastic precision skating of Torvill and Dean, Olympic gold medalists, and the enjoyable antics of the lovable Smurfs.

The cost is only \$19. The bus will leave the Hospital at 1:30 p.m. and will return immediately after the show. Show time is 3:30 p.m. Call Hazel Kramer, extension 2391 to reserve your seat.

Seafood Extravaganza

Attention, seafood lovers! The Dietary Department's fishing boats will be arriving daily from February 15 through 20 with the special catch of the day. An array of seafood delicacies that will tempt your taste buds include the following:

Clams casino
Seafood manicotti
"Peel your own shrimp" cocktail
Steamed "little neck" clams
Raw clams and oysters on the half shell
Fried, stuffed shrimp
Broiled land and sea (beef and fish)
Stuffed deviled clams
Crab, broccoli bisque soup
Clam bisque soup
Many more daily baked and broiled seafood items

Come and enjoy the specially featured seafood items daily!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jean Lewinger, B.S.N., NICU, recently passed her certification in neonatal nursing. Jean will continue to pursue her master's degree.

Barbara Gangemi, Educational Development, recently became the proud grandmother of a bouncing baby boy. James Vincent weighed in at 7 pounds and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Important Note

The Occupational Privilege Tax for 1988 will be deducted from your paycheck dated February 19 (pay period ending February 13).

If you have paid this tax at another source and want to avoid duplication of payment, please submit proof of payment to the Personnel Department **no later than February 8.**

Bowl for Kids' Sake

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Lehigh Valley will sponsor its annual bowl-a-thon on Sunday, March 6 at Boulevard Lanes, Allentown.

Last year, five teams of Hospital employees raised about \$1,300 for the annual fund raiser. Teams were comprised of Hospital employees and their friends and families.

Anyone interested in signing up for this year's event should call Communications, extension 2581, or stop in to pick up a sponsor sheet.

Remember, you need not have an entire five-member team to sign up.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ruth Arnoldin 6-T, 2/21	Kelly Kincher Laboratory, 2/16
Kathryn Baker Emergency Center, 2/16	Ann Kusko Psychiatry, 2/26
Michele Beisel Patient Accounts, 2/17	Linda Lichtenwalner Pediatrics, 2/23
Janice Blaker Laboratory, 2/17	Janet Lorraine Nsg. Education, 2/26
John Boos Psychiatry, 2/26	Tina Makovsky Administration, 2/17
Joanne Boyer ASU, 2/19	Susan McBride 3-T, 2/26
Linda Boyer Central Supply, 2/21	Rhonda Nagy MH/MR, 2/17
Burnetta Carlson Accounting, 2/17	Joann Pastula , 4-T, 2/24
Eileen Charlton Accounting, 2/22	Michele Poliner Pool, 2/18
Denise Cope Business Office, 2/21	Lucy Reedy , 3-T, 2/18
Geoffrey Correll Laboratory, 2/24	Kathy Reif Pool, 2/20
Daniel Deblass ACCU, 2/27	Josephine Ritz School of Nursing, 2/20
Lisa Derr Physical Therapy, 2/21	Martha Robinson Pool, 2/27
Agnes Edmondson Pool, 2/28	Jose Rodriguez Housekeeping, 2/29
Diane Fritts Home Care, 2/24	Joni Royer Pool, 2/27
Robert Fulton Psychiatry, 2/19	Pamela Sauerwine Pool, 2/29
Carl Gruver Dietary, 2/16	Joan Schultes Utilization Review, 2/18
Joan Hamilton Pediatrics, 2/17	Margaret Schwoyer Psychiatry, 2/19
Eileen Haney Labor & Delivery, 2/16	Linda Smith Operating Room, 2/27
Constance Holderman Occup. Therapy, 2/23	Cynthia Smolick Psychiatry, 2/25
Sherrie Hummel Psychiatry, 2/21	Michele Solderich Pool, 2/25
Charles Humphrey Emergency Center, 2/17	Naomi Solomon-Maury 4-T, 2/28
Constance Husowitz Emergency Center, 2/26	Patricia Weis Patient Accounts, 2/21
Kathryn Kalinoski Psychiatry, 2/20	Judy Wildermuth Housekeeping, 2/17
	Kathleen Zorman Home Care, 2/17

Still in the holiday spirit? Why not continue your generosity by donating an artificial Christmas tree to the Department of Psychiatry. The Department has retired a very old tree this year! Possible donors should call Donna Wilson at extension 2338.

REMINDER

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) recertification is offered twice a year in February and September. All employees who are due for recertification from January through June 1988 need to attend. If you have not returned your registration form, please do so. If you need a registration form, call Educational Development at extension 2430.

Credit Union NEWS

The Supervisory Committee of the HealthEast Federal Credit Union is performing a verification of all member accounts. Statements were distributed to all members. If you did not receive your Statement of Account, please contact one of the following Committee members: Walter Eberts, extension 2214; Robert Lazansky, extension 7985; Kathleen Sheetz, extension 2628.

Credit Union Relocates

In order to better accommodate its members, the Credit Union Office at the Hospital Center will be moving to the modular units in the area formerly occupied by Dave Kozemchak, employee relations specialist. The move is scheduled for February 8 and 9, during which time the Credit Union will be closed. The Credit Union will reopen for business on Wednesday, February 10 at 7:30 a.m.

Child Care Available

Weekend child care will be available to The Allentown Hospital employees at Lehigh Valley Hospital Center's Children's Center. This care will be provided on a drop-in basis at \$2/hour and \$1 for meals. Due to a limited number of spots available, interested parents must make a reservation for weekend care for their child five days before care is needed. The LVHC Children's Center is open from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays and is available to all employees who work weekends. Breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack will be served to your child.

To reserve a spot for your child for the weekend, contact Roberta Zelleke at extension 776-8970 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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have become part of the Communications Department at HealthEast. A Communications director will remain at each site -- Kerri Puskar at The Allentown Hospital and Rob Stevens at the Hospital Center. Both Kerri and Rob report directly to Christine Messina Boyer, vice president of Communications. The Communications Department will publish an employee newsletter for TAH--LVHC starting in early March.

Workforce Olympix for Easter Seals



Have fun with co-workers and help a good cause at the same time by becoming a member of the **Workforce Olympix Team**. All proceeds from this event will go to the **Lehigh Valley Easter Seal Society** which supports physical and occupational therapy for disabled children and adults in the Lehigh Valley.

The event will be held on Thursday, February 18 at 7 p.m. in the Sheraton-Jetport, Allentown. Prizes will be awarded to the top individual and team fund raisers.

Each team of **five** members and an optional coach will compete in five zany athletic events; a Coffee Slalom Run, a 5 O'Clock Dash, Wastebasketball, a Floppy Diskus Throw and a Rubberband Archery Snap. There will also be a special Swivel Chair Speed Relay for teams that raise \$500 or more.

Entry forms and sponsor sheets can be obtained from the Communications Department (formerly Public Relations). The **deadline** for registration is **Thursday, February 11**.

Snow Emergency UPDATE

Tuesday, January 26 was declared a snow emergency by Samuel Huston, president, TAH--LVHC, for all shifts between the hours of 9 p.m., Monday, January 25 and noon on Tuesday, January 26. Employees scheduled to work eight or more hours who contacted the Hospital and arrived as much as four hours late will receive full pay for their regularly scheduled shifts.

All employees who were not able to make it into work may substitute a vacation day or personal holiday. If you choose not to use one of these paid days, you will be allowed to take a day off without pay.

A Special Thank You...

Dear employees:

Let me extend my personal thanks on behalf of the patients and our Board of Directors for the added effort that many of you made during our period of inclement weather. The willingness of the evening and night staff to stay on past their normal shift is indicative of the commitment this staff has to patient care. As well, I recognize the willingness of the day staff to attempt coming in despite the icy road conditions.

My appreciation and thanks go out to you.

Sincerely,

Samuel R. Huston
President