

Major Construction Project Begins

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Reviewing plans for the new 12-bed transitional care unit (TCU) at the construction site are: (left to right) Jack Schwab, recently appointed head nurse of the TCU; Darryl R. Lippman, Hospital president; Abram Samuels, chairman, board of directors; William Frailey Jr., M.D., president, medical and dental staff; and Charles Scagliotti, M.D., president-elect, medical and dental staff, and chairman of special care committee. The TCU is scheduled to open in February 1988.

The Allentown Hospital's latest construction and renovation project is officially underway. The \$5.6 million project was approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

According to Hospital President Darryl R. Lippman, the project will address space needs throughout the Hospital, affecting some 20 departments.

"This project will have a major positive impact on the progress of the Hospital. The renovated facility will provide the necessary area for the

Hospital to continue its commitment to the delivery of comprehensive, quality health care in the community," Lippman said. The project will allow for the expansion of existing services and the creation of new services.

The entire East Wing facility of 43,000 square feet will be renovated and a 7,200 square foot, three-floor building in the vacant courtyard behind the Outpatient Department will be constructed to accommodate ancillary and various support services.

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Administrative Appointments Announced

The Allentown Hospital recently announced the promotion of three administrative staff members and the filling of one vacant administrative position. According to Hospital President Darryl R. Lippman, "The new administrative organization is a dynamic one that will allow our progressive Hospital to meet the many challenges of the future."



Richard J. Kisner was promoted to senior vice president. He was previously vice president. Kisner has provided four years of operational leadership at the Hospital and will continue to play a major role in its progress, according to Lippman.

In addition to overseeing three senior management officers, Kisner is directly responsible for anesthesia, engineering, home care, laboratory, management engineering, mental health, pathology services and coordination of planning activities within the Hospital. Kisner has a master's degree in health administration from Tulane University, New Orleans. He was an administrative officer at Charlton Memorial Hospital, Fall River, Mass., prior to joining The Allentown Hospital.

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Bonnie M. Smith, R.N. was promoted to vice president. She was director of outpatient services for the past five years and a Hospital employee for the last nine years. Smith is experienced in the coordination of ambulatory and outpatient services and has been instrumental in developing many outpatient services such as the Lehigh Valley Poison Center. Smith has been pursuing a master's degree in human resources from the University of Scranton and will complete the program in December.

Her new responsibilities include administrative duties relating to the Comprehensive Community Cancer Center; grant management; all outpatient services including the outpatient department, dental program and emergency center; pastoral care; physical medicine, and *WomanCare of The Allentown Hospital*.



Ann M. Lyon has been promoted to assistant vice president. She was previously administrative assistant at the Hospital. Her responsibilities include overseeing admitting, medical education, medical records, quality assurance, radiology, risk management and social service. She is also involved in the renovation and construction project occurring within the Hospital.

Lyon had served an administrative fellowship within the HealthEast system. She received her master's degree in health finance and management from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.



Phillip DiChiara was appointed vice president. He was most recently vice president at HealthEast and had previously worked for three years at Neponset Valley Health System in Norwood, Mass.

His responsibilities include cardio-neuro services, food services, house-keeping, materials management, pharmacy and respiratory therapy. DiChiara is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts and attended Northeastern University, both in Boston.



The 1987 Poinsettia Sale

The Junior Aides of The Allentown Hospital and Segan's Bloomin' Haus present this year's holiday sale. Beautiful, high quality poinsettias will be available in your choice of red, white or pink. Full-bloom, red, white or pink poinsettias in a 6- $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pot may be purchased for \$6.95 and a red, double-branch poinsettia with 10 or more full blooms will sell for \$12. Hanging baskets in two sizes of red or a red and white combination of poinsettias will be sold for \$18.50 for 25 blooms, and \$25 for 35 or more blooms.

A variety of other plants will be available, including a 4-inch potted holly plant selling for \$4.95 and white mums in a 6- $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pot with a foil choice of blue, red, green or gold for \$6.95.

Also available will be a variety of holiday candy, including your choice of Starlight Mints or Seven Sours. The candy, made by Premise Maid Candies, Inc., will sell for \$4.95 and will be offered in one-pound, decorated tins.

One of two new items this year is a green foliage plant in a wicker basket shaped like a duck and

decorated with a bow. This item is priced at \$5.95. Another new item is a 16" live Douglas Fir Wreath which will be \$12.95.

Advance orders may be placed in the Volunteer Office, the Alcove Gift Shop or with a member of the Junior Aides of The Allentown Hospital no later than Friday, November 20. Order pick-up will be on Friday, December 11 from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Hospital lobby.

For more information, call 778-CARE.

Endourologic Table Keeps Pace With Medical Advances

An endourologic table for specialized surgery was recently acquired by The Allentown Hospital. The table is used by surgeons for procedures such as the removal of kidney stones and the examination of the bladder using a fiber optic telescope.

The table, which was introduced by Liebel-Flarschein Company of Cincinnati in January, is one of only three now installed throughout the United States for urological and endoscopy procedures.

Several features aid the surgeon in providing the best possible patient care, according to urology chief Edward M. Mullin Jr., M.D. A built-in fluoroscopy unit — an image intensifier that functions much as a television camera — produces a highly accurate and reliable image. The physician can then view the on-going procedure on an attached monitor. X-rays can be taken as well. Prior to the installation of this table, it was difficult for physicians to take x-rays from a separate fluoroscopy unit.

"The fluoroscopy capabilities are very helpful and much faster than with the previous table. The image is instantaneous which allows a physician to see what is being done as it is being done," Mullin said.

Throughout the procedure, the surgeon can control the vertical and horizontal orientation of the table. The larger size and new design increases the comfort and safety of the patient.

The acquisition of the table is part of a reorganization of the urological endoscopy room. The overhead lighting has been converted from a fluorescent to an incandescent dimmer system to provide optimum lighting. Supplies and equipment have been centralized and patient privacy has been improved.

"This table is in step with the technological advances in medicine, and in particular, in urology," Mullin said. "Such state-of-the-art equipment allows a doctor to perform highly technical procedures which were not done ten years ago."

Junior Volunteers Honored For Dedicated Service



Junior volunteers receiving special recognition at the annual awards ceremony were: (left to right) Leah Heller, Andrea Hoch and Cindy Kuzma. Heller earned a 500-hour pin, while Hoch and Kuzma each received a candystriper pin for 250 hours of service.

The Allentown Hospital held an awards ceremony to honor 65 junior volunteers, representing eight area schools, who worked over 6,000 hours this summer. Their time translates into a Hospital savings of \$21,000.

The ceremony honored those junior volunteers who have given 50, 75, 250 and 500 hours of service throughout the year.

Junior volunteers help the nursing units and volunteer office, performing various duties, according to Hazel Kramer, director of Volunteer Services. Their tasks include discharging patients, delivering flowers and mail, providing fresh water for patients, and running miscellaneous errands to the Hospital Pharmacy and Library.

"They help cheer up a lot of patients," said Kramer. "For many

patients, interaction with junior volunteers helped the time pass more quickly."

Fifty-six junior volunteers who served 75 hours received a certificate and an emblem to sew on the front of their volunteer uniforms. Seven volunteers were awarded certificates in recognition of 50 hours of service.

The volunteer program gives teenagers between the ages of 13 and 17 the background they need in order to decide if they wish to pursue a health-related career.

"It's an important step. They can decide if they want to work in a hospital, particularly nursing, as a lab technician, or in some other capacity," Kramer said.

A "Make Your Own Sundae" party followed the ceremony.

Comprehensive Community Cancer Center Receives Two Grants

The Comprehensive Community Cancer Center (CCCC) recently received two grants that will enable it to further contribute to cancer detection, prevention and treatment.

A program of The Allentown Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, the Cancer Center was awarded a three-year grant totaling \$350,000 for a Comprehensive Community Oncology Program. This grant was funded on a competitive basis by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the National Cancer Institute. The CCCC is among approximately 40 programs in the United States to receive this grant.

The oncology program will expand cancer treatment and cancer preven-

tion and detection programs statewide. The CCCC's role will be to help increase community physician participation in the most advanced cancer treatment alternatives. Approximately 75 physicians from the HealthEast hospitals will participate in this program.

The Cancer Center was one of three programs who received a two-year grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Health. The grant was established for the enhancement of hospital-based tumor registries. CCCC will develop a newsletter based on tumor registry and hospital data about the expansion of the cancer program sponsored by the two hospitals.

Free WomanCare Lectures

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Sandra Smith, M.S.N.
Oncology Nurse Instructor
The Allentown Hospital

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Auditorium, School of Nursing

Are You Wasting Your Money?: Vitamin and Mineral Supplement Panel Discussion

Jane Ziegler, R.D.
Chief Clinical Dietitian
The Allentown Hospital

Lisa Economy, R.P.
Registered Pharmacist
The Allentown Hospital

Stephen Barrett, M.D.
Department of Psychiatry
The Allentown Hospital

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Auditorium, School of Nursing

or

Tuesday, November 17 — Noon-1 p.m.
Auditorium, School of Nursing

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Department of Pediatrics
The Allentown Hospital

Wednesday, November 18 — 7-8 p.m.
Hospital Auditorium

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Planning and Keeping New Year's Resolutions

John Mitchell, M.D.
Department of Psychiatry
The Allentown Hospital

Monday, December 7 — Noon-1 p.m.
Auditorium, School of Nursing

or

Thursday, December — 7-8 p.m.
Auditorium, School of Nursing

Post Holiday Depression: Beating the Blues

Patti Lehr, M.S.N.
Clinical Specialist
Department of Psychiatry
The Allentown Hospital

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Room 1911, School of Nursing

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Room 1911, School of Nursing

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Construction will also take place in other Hospital areas not renovated in previous projects. The new project will complete the renovation of the entire Hospital and will be finished in December 1988.

As part of the creation of new services, a transitional care unit (TCU)

is under construction. The 12-bed unit will provide an additional setting for patients who need a higher level of care than provided in a general medical or surgical unit, but less than is required in the Acute Coronary Care Unit or Intensive Care Unit.

Among the many other changes

adding to the Hospital's ability to meet the community's patient care needs will be a four-bed addition to the Forrest G. Moyer, M.D., Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). A new two-room, family-centered birthing unit will also be established.

X-ray Students Graduate

The Allentown Hospital's School of Radiologic Technology held graduation ceremonies for its 18th graduating class. The graduates have completed a two-year program which encompasses all areas of radiologic technology. The program includes approximately 3,000 hours of clinical experience during which the students perform a minimum of 4,000 varied x-ray procedures. They are given approximately 700 hours of classroom instruction.

They received their clinical instruction in The Allentown Hospital's Diagnostic Radiology Department. Clinical experience provided included ultrasound and computerized axial tomography (CAT) scanning.

Graduates of the program are eligible for the national certification exam given by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (AART). They also qualify for up to two years of college credit.

The Allentown Hospital's School of Radiologic Technology is accredited by The Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation in cooperation with the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology.



Radiologic technology students graduating this year from the Hospital's two-year program included: (left to right) Dawn Noll, Fleetwood, Pa., who will be working in New Jersey; Christine Reppert, Lehigh, Pa.; and Cynthia Flickner, Kutztown, Pa., who has accepted a position in Florida. Reppert has joined the Radiology Department staff at The Allentown Hospital.

New Appointments



Carl S. Curto was recently appointed director of compensation. His responsibilities include coordination of all benefits. He had previously been compensation and benefits manager at HealthEast.

Curto held a similar position at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem before coming to The Allentown Hospital. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Bloomsburg State College, Bloomsburg, Pa.



Sherry Shaffer, R.N., M.S.N., was appointed head nurse of 4-S, a medical-surgical unit. She had previously been a critical care clinical specialist at The Allentown Hospital. She was also head nurse of the neuro-surgical intensive care unit and a renal medical-surgical unit at Hahnemann University Hospital. She received her Master of Science degree in Nursing Administration from Villanova University, Villanova, Pa.

Susan Gasteyer, M.D., was recently appointed Medical Director of Mental Health/Mental Rehabilitation, The Allentown Hospital. She is also the director of special psychiatric services at The Allentown Hospital.

Quality Care Found In Emergency Center

Andrew had taken his seven-year-old son, Bobby, to a Saturday afternoon football game. Bobby had brought his own football from home and was playing with it as he watched the game. The ball slipped from his hands and fell through the open-bleached stand to the ground below. Thinking that it was only a short distance, Bobby decided that the easiest way to recover the ball would be to lower himself down between the bleachers. His father did not notice what was happening until it was too late. He saw his son's chin hit the wooden seats as he slid down in-between the bleachers.

Andrew quickly ran under the bleachers to find that his son had a severe cut on his chin which would probably require stitches. Andrew rushed Bobby to the Emergency Center at The Allentown Hospital. He received attention from a physician specializing in emergency medical treatment and a well-trained support staff.

Andrew felt relieved knowing that if Bobby needed a follow-up visit, or any other type of emergency care, there would be a one-in-five chance that he would be seen by the same physician at The Allentown Hospital. A doctor who would know him and his

case would give Bobby the quality medical care that can only come with accumulated knowledge. *This story is fictitious, but is based on real medical cases.

Physicians who are dedicated to a long-term association with an emergency medical center are available at The Allentown Hospital, according to Bonnie Smith, vice president for outpatient services.

"Having a team of doctors with this kind of commitment and quality is essential for an effective and efficient emergency center, and places The Allentown Hospital's Emergency Center in the forefront of today's delivery of quality emergency care," says Darryl R. Lippman, Hospital president.

Since July 1987, a group of physicians, Emergency Care Specialists, Inc., have provided the Hospital with exclusive 24-hour emergency care. The five physicians are James McHugh, M.D., president; Henry Kurusz III, M.D., medical director, Emergency Center; Mark Kender, M.D.; Perry Fooskas, M.D.; and Anthony Werhun, M.D.

Community-based care

The Allentown Hospital Emergency Center provides its patients with

physicians who are devoted to emergency treatment as their vocation. "Many transient physicians, doctors who are just 'passing through' on their way to different career goals, see emergency care simply as a steppingstone, even though it is a specialty in itself," said McHugh. "Some may even commute from as far as Philadelphia. There is nothing wrong with this situation; in fact, most emergency centers work that way. What is often lacking, however, is a sense of commitment to a hospital and its patients. We feel we have changed that."

Formerly, emergency care at the Hospital was provided by individual physicians, each with a separate contract. According to Kurusz, that led to a certain lack of cohesion. "All of us have a sense of being in an important career, not just doing a temporary job. Our careers are dedicated to The Allentown Hospital," Kurusz said.

An important feature of the new arrangement has been the continuity of patient care. One of the five doctors is on-duty for each 12-hour shift, but the others can be called in on short notice. "There is no scrambling to find

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Emergency Care Specialists, Inc., include: (left to right) Henry Kurusz III, M.D., medical director, Emergency Center; Anthony Werhun, M.D.; Mark Kender, M.D.; Perry Fooskas, M.D.; and James McHugh, M.D., president. The five physicians provide 24-hour emergency care exclusively for The Allentown Hospital Emergency Center.

Emergency Care Specialists, Inc.

James McHugh, M.D., president, Emergency Care Specialists, Inc., was a full-time physician at the Chestnut Hill Hospital, Chestnut Hill, Pa., prior to joining the corporation. He graduated from Temple University, Philadelphia, and received his medical degree from C.E.T.E.C. University, Dominican Republic. He is a member of the American College of Physicians, and is currently working on a paper examining a possible link between casino gambling and heart attacks.

Henry Kurusz, III, M.D., medical director of the Emergency Center, was previously a member of the Emergency Medical Physicians Professional Corporation at Tobey Hospital, Tobey, Mass. He graduated from Springfield College, Springfield, Mass., and received his medical degree from Temple University, Philadelphia. He is a member of the National Association of Residents and Interns, the American College of Emergency Physicians and is also board-eligible in emergency medicine. He had served as an advanced cardiac life support instructor, and was an examiner for emergency medical technicians.

Perry Fooskas, M.D., who is certified in advanced cardiac life support and advanced trauma/life support, was an intern and resident at Allentown's Health-East Hospitals. He graduated from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., and received his medical degree from the Medical College of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, and an associate member of the American College of Physicians.

Mark Kender, M.D., was a resident at Allentown's Health-East Hospitals before joining Emergency Care Specialists, Inc. Kender completed his internship at Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania

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Medical Center. He graduated from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., and received his medical degree from Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia. He is a member of the American College of Physicians.

Anthony Werhun, M.D., was previously a clinical assistant in medicine at the Lehigh Valley Hospital Center and worked part-time in the Emer-

gency Center at The Allentown Hospital. He completed his internship and residency at Allentown's Health-East Hospitals. Werhun graduated from King's College, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and received his medical degree from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He belongs to the American Medical Association and the American College of Physicians.

New Medical Staff



Lisa Baker-Vaughn, M.D., Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, is board-eligible in obstetrics and gynecology. She served her internship and residency at The Allentown Hospital. She received her medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia. Baker-Vaughn is in practice at 1251 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown.



Michael S. Hortner, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, is board-certified in family practice. He had been on the staff at the University of Connecticut, Farmington, Conn., where he also served his residency. He received his medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh Medical School. Hortner is in private practice at 2014 Siegfried Ave., Northampton.



Jeffrey M. Lengel, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, is board-eligible for family practice. He served his internship and residency at Sacred Heart Hospital, Allentown. He received his medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia. Lengel is in private practice at 2014 Siegfried Ave., Northampton.



Dennis L. Morris, M.D., Department of Medicine, Section of Cardiology, is board certified in internal medicine. He served his internship and residency at the University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, Va. He served as chief medical resident at the University of California, San Francisco. He received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina. He is in practice at 3340 Hamilton Blvd., Allentown.



John S. Papola, M.D., Department of Surgery, Division of Otolaryngology, (Ear, Nose and Throat Specialty) is board-eligible in Otolaryngology. He was on staff at Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, where he also served his residency. He was Chief Medical Resident at St. Christopher's Hospital, Philadelphia. He received his medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia. He is in private practice at 501 N. 17th Street, Allentown.



Wendy Rush, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, is board-certified in family practice. She served her residency at Sacred Heart Hospital, Allentown. She received her medical degree from Eastern Virginia. She is in private practice with Kenneth G. Ryder Jr. M.D., in Wescosville.



Kenneth G. Ryder, Jr., M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, is board-certified in family practice. He is also on staff at Sacred Heart Hospital where he served his internship and residency in family practice. He received his medical degree from Pennsylvania State University, Hershey, Pa. He is in private practice with Wendy Rush, M.D., in Wescosville.



Gregory S. Tomcho, D.O., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, is board-eligible in family practice. He is also on staff at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital where he served his internship in family practice. He received his medical degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is in private practice at 3691 Crescent Court, Whitehall, Pa.

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a replacement," says Werhun. "Because we work so closely together on a daily basis, we are familiar with each other's professional approach, and we know how each doctor would handle a given situation. We also can get to know the patients, which is a big plus."

Better Working Relationships

There have also been positive effects on the day-to-day functions of the Emergency Center, according to David Salatino, R.N., B.S.N., CEN, nurse-manager of the Emergency Center. "I am pleased with the rapport that exists between the physicians and the nursing staff," Salatino said. "The turnover rate for nurses in this department has traditionally been very low. Now that we are working with an established group of doctors, professional relationships are becoming even more solid. We know

that the doctors will be with us for a long time and that creates more of a team spirit than ever before," said Salatino.

Commitment to Care

The stability of the practice enables the group to constantly improve the quality of care, according to McHugh. He says they are working toward improving the structure of the Emergency Center, adding more beds and more specialized areas. In addition, a mini-lab is being installed so that routine tests can be done quicker with faster results. "At the outset, we decided to keep ourselves and our technology current. We made a commitment to reflect the state-of-the-art in emergency room care," says Kurusz.

Education is another important area of emergency medicine that is important to the five physicians.

Kender, who heads the continuing education program, said that they have started "grand rounds," a monthly series of lectures for ambulance personnel. The topics discussed include chest pain, poisons, cardiology and many others. In addition, the physicians provide paramedic training, speak to various staff groups and consult with residents at night, if they need guidance.

"The exclusive arrangement has given the Emergency Center a real boost," says Smith. "The doctors are helping develop standard procedures, so patient care will run more smoothly. They are also establishing a quality assurance program to give patients the best possible care. Everyone within the next four years will be board-certified which will provide our patients with high-quality health care attention," says Smith.

Making the Rounds

Bonnie M. Smith, vice president, outpatient services, was elected president for the Association of Ambulatory Care Professionals in eastern Pennsylvania. The first meeting of this new association was held at The Allentown Hospital. She was also selected to serve on the American Hospital Association for Ambulatory Care Professionals.

Mark H. Grim, D.M.D., and **Laurence D. Popowich, D.D.S.**, Department of Dentistry, Division of Oral Surgery, recently became certified by the University of Illinois, Chicago, to perform diagnostic/therapeutic arthroscopy. The examination is performed on the temporomandibular joint which connects a large lower jaw bone to the skull bone.

Houshang G. Hamadani, M.D., Department of Psychiatry, was recently appointed as a charter member of the International Society for Adolescent Psychiatry because of his international clinical and academic work in adolescent mental health.

Peter A. Keblish, M.D., Department of Surgery, Division of Orthopedic Surgery, recently presented a lecture as a visiting guest surgeon in Paris, France. The lecture entitled "New Concepts in Knee Replacement" was given at Bichat University in a medical course about knees and hips.

Frank R. Boyer, M.D., and **Nancy H. Boyer, M.D.**, Department of Medicine, Section of Cardiology, established an annual Joseph B. Vanderveer, M.D., cardiovascular lectureship at Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia and Bryn Mawr Hospital, Bryn Mawr, Pa. The annual guest lectures were made possible by donations made to these hospitals from the Boyers. The annual lectureship was named after Vanderveer in order to recognize his teaching and clinical cardiovascular abilities.

Lawrence P. Levitt, M.D., chief of Neurology, The Allentown Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, wrote a medical handbook entitled "Neurology for the House Officer." The publication was the first edition of a 20-book series that has sold more than a million copies around the world.

Levitt and Harold L. Weiner of Boston have written three books in the series and will edit at least 10 of the new case study books.

Peter J. Barbour, M.D., assistant chief of Neurology, The Allentown Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, recently had his first fictional novel, *Loose Ends*, published by Dorrance and Company Publishers, Bryn Mawr, Pa. Barbour is also the director of the Neurodiagnostic Laboratory at Lehigh Valley Hospital Center.

Edward A. Schwartz, D.P.M., Department of Surgery, staff podiatrist, served on the medical staff of the Pennsylvania State Keystone Games, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. The Keystone Games are a four-day sports festival for the top amateur athletes in Pennsylvania. The medical staff for these games is comprised of physicians, physical therapists, and athletic trainers specializing in sports medicine. Schwartz also completed research on sports-related injuries of the foot and ankle during his fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania's Sports Medicine Center, Philadelphia. He has also served on the medical teams of both the Boston and Philadelphia marathons.

Diane C. Halstead, Ph.D., director, Microbiology and Immunology HealthEast Laboratories, was the moderator for a symposium entitled, "Clinical Immunology: A Multifaceted Discipline," at Lehigh Valley Hospital Center. The symposium was sponsored by Lehigh Valley Association for Clinical Microbiology and Immunology, Bureau of Laboratories, Pa., and the Department of Health, Pa.

Samuel W. Criswell, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Family Practice, was recently recertified by the American Board of Family Practice.

Arthur E. Fetzer, M.D., Department of Surgery, Division of Urology, has completed a course in extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy at the University

of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. This procedure allows the fragmentation of kidney stones without surgical intervention. The treatment has revolutionized the treatment of kidney stones and several hundred patients have undergone such treatment for the successful removal of kidney stones, according to Fetzer.

Fred D. Fister, M.D., medical director of the Department of Home Care, has been named medical director for Lehigh Valley Hospice. He had been serving as interim medical director of the agency. The Lehigh Valley Hospice is the only agency in the Lehigh Valley providing health care services exclusively for the terminally ill.

The 1987 Fall *WomanCare* lecture series covered a spectrum of interesting and informative topics. **Joseph Miller, M.D.**, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology held a question-and-answer session addressing women's special health care needs entitled, "Women and Gynecology: Ask the Doctor."

Other *WomanCare* lectures included "Caring For Your Aging Parents" given by **Maureen Sawyer, M.S.W.**, director of Social Service. This lecture focused on the services available for caring and coping with aging parents. **Larry Glazerman, M.D.**, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, presented "The Premenstrual Syndrome: It Isn't So Unusual." This was a discussion of what PMS is and the nutritional and medical treatments available. **Ernest Y. Normington II M.D.**, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, spoke on "Understanding Premenstrual Syndrome: A Discussion For Men." This lecture, designed especially for men, dealt with a discussion of PMS, its symptoms, treatments and how to help women while they are experiencing PMS. **Donald E. Barilla, M.D.**, Department of Endocrinology, discussed hormone replacement therapy, its uses and how it affects postmenopausal women.

Cindy Adams, M.S., coordinator, *WomanCare*, **Bonnie Smith, R.N.**, vice president, outpatient services, **Nancy**

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"Koppi" clowns around with Ashley, the daughter of Kathy Fusselman, Physical Therapy, at the Hospital employee picnic. Ray "Koppi" Rodgers, of Northampton, volunteered his time along with other clowns from AT&T, Allentown. They are part of a group called the Telephone Pioneers of America.



Making the Rounds

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Jrankar, M.D., Internal Medicine, **Stuart Jones, M.D.**, Nuclear Medicine, **Lisa Mitsky**, Nuclear Medicine, **Fran Triolo, R.N., C.C.E.**, maternal/childbirth education coordinator, and **Candace Rakow, R.N.**, associate clinical director of nursing represented *Womancare of The Allentown Hospital* on "Community Spotlight," an evening talk show on Twin County Cable TV.

John F. Mitchell, M.D., chairman, Department of Psychiatry, was program director of the third annual conference on parenting entitled, "American Crisis: Adolescent Suicide and Chemical Dependency." This national conference for professionals was jointly sponsored by the Departments of Psychiatry and Pediatrics.

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and *WomanCare* sponsored a seminar on sexual assault entitled, "Hue and Cry." **Sze-ya Yeh, M.D.**, chairman, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, was the seminar moderator. **Bonnie Smith, R.N.**, vice president, outpatient services, was program coordinator. **David Salatino, R.N., C.E.N.**, nurse manager, Emergency Center, spoke on "Emergency Department Protocols for Sexual Assault Victims." **John Salventi,**

Ph.D., vice president, Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, spoke on "Guidelines for Collection and Handling of Specimens." **Maureen Sawyer, M.S.W.**, director, Social Service; **Reverend Gregory Palmer**, director, Pastoral Care; **Cynthia C. Adams, M.S.**, coordinator, *WomanCare*; and **Susan Wiley, M.D.**, Division Chief of Psychiatry, Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, participated in the seminar as panelists. The seminar was intended to provide participants with information that would assist them in caring for and supporting victims of sexual assault.

Ruth Ann Chaplis, R.N., and **Sally Koehler-Ryder, R.N.**, Operating Room, have completed a registered nurse first assistant course. The course has expanded their perioperative roles so that they can now assist a surgeon during surgical procedures.

Sandra A. Eberwein, R.N., M.Ed., nursing instructor, has been appointed coordinator of "Nursing The Child Bearing Family." **Eileen J. Cranstoun, R.N., M.Ed.**, instructor of medical-surgical nursing, was appointed instructor of "Nursing of Children." Both are courses offered at The Allentown Hospital School of Nursing.

Constance A. Ruff, completed a

course which allowed her to become a certified registered central service technician.

Anne Snyder, and **Tom Chromiak**, Respiratory Care, obtained national registration from the American Association for Respiratory Care by passing an examination. They are now registered respiratory therapists.

Donna Rose, R.N., perioperative instructor, recently started a clinical workshop program in the operating room on aseptic standards and practices. The program includes topics such as surgical hand scrub, gowning and gloving, basic aseptic techniques, and traffic patterns within the operating room.

The Allentown Hospital Pediatrics Department co-sponsored a three-day course designed to provide advanced information and technical skills to nurses who care for acutely and critically-ill children on a pediatric unit. The course, "Advanced Concepts of Pediatric Nursing," was taught by nurse specialists from St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, and was held at St. Luke's Hospital. Other sponsors included Allentown Osteopathic Medical Center and Easton Hospital.

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The nurses at The Allentown Hospital went out of their way to make the Hospital procedures as non-threatening as possible for my daughter. The entire Pediatrics staff was excellent. It was my daughter's first time in a hospital and it was an emergency, so there was no time to prepare her for her stay. I was worried that the staff wouldn't take time to explain things to my daughter as they were happening, but they did! Everyone in Pediatrics was excellent — cheerful, humorous and great with children.

Karen O'Leary
(mother of Meghan O'Leary
Pediatrics patient)
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During the past several years, my grandmother has been hospitalized numerous times. Never before has she received the wonderful care she received this time.

Her recovery was miraculous and I attribute much of it to the dedicated care she received from the nurses and staff. The warmth and sincerity they displayed for my grandmother helped her to progress rapidly. I never thought I would see her out of bed again. However, within a few days she was sitting up in a chair and eating. Whenever I visited her I was impressed by the staff's attentiveness, patience and conscientiousness.

For these reasons, I would like to commend The Allentown Hospital and staff.

Stephanie Garte
(granddaughter of Lena Gillet
4-T patient)
Allentown

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I am writing this letter to let you know that The Allentown Hospital is a great hospital. I want to say that I receive medical assistance. There is a myth that if you receive medical assistance and you are seen at clinics, you will not be treated well. That is the worst thing I have ever heard in my life.

At The Allentown Hospital's clinic I received the best medical care possible. I think that the resident doctors are caring, concerned and determined to find the cause of a patient's illness. I can't praise them enough. I have never had a two-minute examination nor have I been sent home without help. The resident doctor who is currently examining me at the clinic will do the best for all her patients.

Another good experience happened when I went to the emergency room at The Allentown Hospital. I assumed I would see a doctor, be given a prescription and sent home. I was shocked and amazed by the wonderful treatment I was given. The emergency room physician really cared. He sat down and talked to me after he received the results of a test he had ordered for me. I did not think that doctors who work in the emergency room would take the time to talk to a patient. He promised to follow-up on my visit by contacting my clinic physician. To be honest, I thought once I left the Hospital he would forget about me. I was wrong because he did follow through.

In my opinion, The Allentown Hospital has the best physicians in the Lehigh Valley. They really care about their patients. Having a doctor who listens, cares and shows concern along with receiving the proper treatment is the best medicine a patient could get. I found this medicine at The Allentown Hospital.

Patricia Annoni
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