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DECK THE HALLS

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, sponsored by the Auxiliary Twigs, will be held on Friday, November 18, from 9:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., in the Main Lobby of the Hospital Center. Hand-made crafts, homemade baked goods, candies, canned fruit and vegetables will be on sale, along with a White Reindeer Table featuring new and used Christmas items.



Contributions for the White Reindeer Table may be brought to Classroom I between 12:30 and 4:30 P.M., November 17, or will be picked up if you notify Connie Noonan, at 435-8148, or Mollie Huntzinger, at 395-3478 after 6:00 P.M.

Get your Holiday shopping off to a good start - see you at the Bazaar!

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AUXILIARY CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOSPITAL CENTER AUXILIARY was celebrated last week at a dinner at Brookside Country Club, with 117 members attending.

Founding President, Mary Walbert, 1972-1975, and her successor, Maryann Bachman, 1975-1977, received special honors. A Past President's Pin was presented to both women by Auxiliary President, Norma Heller. The pins, featuring the Auxiliary's symbolic tree, were designed and created by Auxiliary member, Jane Martindell.

Surprise entertainment for the evening featured the Allenaires Barber Shop Quartet, with our own Biomedical Photographer, Jack Dittbrenner.

Mrs. Valeria S. Boyer, Associate Administrator, accepted a donation of \$33,500 from Auxiliary President, Norma Heller. This donation has enabled the Center to purchase an automated blood gas analyzer, now in use in the Pulmonary Function Department; furniture for waiting area of families of critically ill heart and burn patients on the third floor; and to construct an all-weather enclosure for the Emergency Room Ambulance Entrance.

To date, the Auxiliary has donated over \$130,000 to the Center. Our appreciation and gratitude is extended to their 500 members - A very special group!

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RESEARCH ASSOCIATE TO BEGIN

ELLWYN D. SPIKER, Administrator, announced the appointment of Jean Pundiak, Research Associate, effective Monday, November 14. This new position is supported by the Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust.

Along with formulating proposed programs and projects to the Pool Trust, Jean's responsibilities will include working with Administration on grant proposals to other trusts, foundations, and government planning agencies.

Jean has a B.S. in Biology from Bucknell, and a Masters Degree in City and Regional Planning from Rutgers. Prior to her appointment here, Jean was Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Commissioner for the New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Research, Planning and Education. We welcome her to the Center.

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### COFFEE BREAK EXTENDED

GERALD MILLER, Director of Food Services, has announced a change in the morning coffee break period. Beginning on Monday, November 14, coffee break will start at 8:30 A.M., and continue until 11:00 A.M.

Did you know that...

The Dining Room here at the Center is one of the largest restaurants in town? Serving an average of 2,000 meals a day, it's quite a bustling place.

Due to the size and scope of the overall operation, comments on the quality of the food and service should be directed to Food Service personnel rather than placed in the suggestion box. According to Mr. Miller, this approach will result in a speedier response to your comments. Thank you for your help.

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### CREDIT UNION

JUST IN TIME FOR YOUR YULETIDE SHOPPING, the Credit Union will be taking applications for Christmas Loans, beginning November 16. Loans up to \$200 can be repayed in a maximum 12 month period.

Bill Miller, President of the Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center Credit Union, has announced that membership has reached 235, and is looking to double that figure by the end of the year.

Located at the Cloak Room by the gift shop, the Credit Union is open Wednesdays and Fridays, 7-7:30 A.M., and 2:30-4:30 P.M. Join the Credit Union. It's where you belong.

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### ER UNDERGOES SURGERY

RENOVATIONS WILL BEGIN SHORTLY in the Emergency Room Waiting Area, according to Elwood Ehrigott, Director, Ambulatory Services.

The change will result in simplifying patient registrations, both Outpatient and Emergency, and an increase in seating. Some of the work to be done in the waiting area includes closing the entrance into the outpatient registration area, opening a portion of the wall separating both patient registration areas, and the installation of a counter at the emergency patient registration window. Since the work is expected to take approximately 10 days, your consideration for any inconvenience will be appreciated.

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### ONCOLOGY PROGRAM

THE CLINICAL ONCOLOGY PROGRAM, which is funded through a grant from the Department of Health Education and Welfare and the Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust to the Allentown Hospital and to the Hospital Center, now has a mobile rehabilitation team that will have its office in 7A10, Extension 2381.

Karen Scanlon, R.N., Oncology Nurse; Mary Ann Bulishak, Oncology Social Worker; and a soon to be added Nutritionist will be available to see patients and their families at the request of the attending physicians.

Also, the team will assist in developing a coordinated plan of care with the physician and nursing staff, assess patient and family nursing, social and nutritional needs, assist members of the health team in caring for the cancer patient and family, and research questions on cancer, posed by Nursing and allied health professionals.

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### ALL THE PRESIDENT'S FRIENDS...

WHILE PICNICING WITH THE FIRST FAMILY at the White House may seem a bit far fetched to most of us, it was the Rx for an exciting day for Mary Lou Cressman of the Pharmacy.

Attending through the invitation of her uncle whose firm catered the picnic on the South Lawn for 600 of President Carter's supporters - The "Peanut Brigade" as they are affectionately called - Mary Lou had the unique opportunity to meet and be photographed with President and Mrs. Carter and daughter Amy. Quite a day!

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