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EIGHT NAMED TO MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At the June 12 General Medical Staff meeting, eight members of the Medical Staff were elected to serve on the Medical Executive Committee.

Elected to serve for a two-year term are Peter J. Barbour, M.D., Donald L. Levick, M.D., Robert A. Morrow, M.D., and Robert D. Riether, M.D.

Elected to three-year terms are Alan Berger, M.D., Gene H. Ginsberg, M.D., Ernest Y. Normington II, M.D., and David W. Whitson, M.D.

PEDIATRICIAN NAMED ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

John S. Wheeler, M.D., Vice Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, was presented with the Alumnus of the Year

Award at the annual Housestaff Appreciation Dinner held recently at the George Washington Lodge. This prestigious award is presented annually to an alumnus and/or a member of the teaching faculty of TAH--LVHC for their leadership role in medical education.

Dr. Wheeler received his medical degree from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. He served an internship at The Allentown Hospital campus and completed a family practice residency at St. Joseph's Hospital in Victoria, British Columbia. He also completed a two-year pediatric residency at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia.

An associate of Family Pediatricians, Inc., Dr. Wheeler has been practicing pediatrics in the Lehigh Valley area for 27 years. He was instrumental in helping to establish interest in investigating child abuse in the Lehigh Valley area and served with Lehigh County Children and Youth.

Also honored at the event were Teachers of the Year chosen by residents from each of the programs for outstanding contributions to the educational programs. These awards were presented to Joseph N. Greybush, M.D., obstetrics and gynecology; George W. Hartzell, Jr., M.D., surgery; Charles A. Kosteva, D.D.S., dentistry; Yehia Y. Mishriki, M.D., medicine; and Indru T. Khubchandani, M.D., colon-rectal surgery.



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The Paul R. Bosanac, M.D. Research Award, provided by the Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust to encourage and recognize residents in scientific investigation, was presented to Richard C. Boorse, M.D., surgical resident, for his paper titled "Predicting Axillary Nodal Metastases in Patients with T Breast Carcinoma."

Gary T. Verazin, M.D., chief surgical resident, was presented the E. John Stahler, M.D. Resident Award for his excellence in clinical surgery.

RADIOLOGY REQUESTS MEDICAL STAFF ASSISTANCE

The Health Care Financing Administration and Medicare now require radiologists to put diagnostic codes on all claims for service. It is, therefore, necessary for the Medical Staff to give pertinent information on the request forms in order to allow Radiology to do this coding. Terms such as "routine pre-op," "rule out pneumonia," "daily times three," etc., are no longer acceptable. It is now more appropriate to list a definitive diagnosis or significant symptoms for which the study is being done.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the radiologists and will in turn be a valuable asset in your patients' diagnostic work-ups.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Michael H. Geller, M.D., Chairman-Elect, Department of Radiology and Diagnostic Medical Imaging, at 776-8088.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Gregg T. Frey, D.D.S., recently became certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics.

Geoffrey G. Hallock, M.D., recently passed the first Board examination and received his certificate in added qualifications in surgery of the hand.

John G. Steciw, D.M.D., recently became certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

According to reliable sources, there are an estimated \$41 billion available in foundation and corporate grants. Following are a few of the foundations and corporations with available grants.

The National Institute of Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health is funding grants from \$5,000 to \$50,000 to support conferences for the purpose of coordinating, exchanging, and disseminating information to prevent alcohol and other drug abuse. Proposal due dates are November 15, 1989 and April 15, 1990.

The Department of Health and Human Services funds National Health Promotion Project Grants for projects intended to educate the public about environmental, occupational, societal, and behavioral factors which affect health in order that individuals may make informed decisions about health-related behavior. For more information on either of these grants, contact Meredith Pratt in the Research Department at 776-8289.

The John A. Hartford Foundation is currently funding two areas -- health care cost and quality; and aging and health. Grants range from \$50,000 to \$250,000.

The Kresge Foundation funds grants to institutions of higher education, health care, and long-term care for construction, renovation, purchase of major capital equipment, and the acquisition of real estate. Funds vary with each project. For more information on either of these two grants, contact Susan Hoffman in the HealthEast Development Office at 778-9803.

DISASTER PLAN REVISED

A copy of the revised hospital Disaster Plan, including staff assignments for members of the Medical Staff and House Staff officers, is available in the Doctors' Lounge at both campuses.

LABORATORY NEWSReminder for Ordering of Aminoglycoside Levels

Trough - 60 minutes before next dose

Peak - 60 minutes after IM administration or 60 minutes after an IV infusion is started assuming a 30 minute infusion time

Preferably peaks and troughs should be ordered after the third dose assuming the dosing interval to be the standard 8 or 12 hours. If the third dose occurs at midnight, however, wait to order levels until after the fourth dose. The laboratory does not collect nor determine aminoglycoside levels on the 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shift.

Correction to Outpatient Laboratory Hours

The operating hours for the outpatient laboratory located on the ground floor at the LVHC campus were incorrectly listed in the May issue of Medical Staff Progress Notes. The correct hours of operation are Monday and Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon.

YEARBOOK OF STAFF PUBLICATIONS

In response to many inquiries received during the past year, the Research Department will be compiling a yearbook of publications by employees and medical staff of TAH--LVHC.

In an effort to make the yearbook as complete and accurate as possible, the Research Department is requesting a reprint or citation of all TAH--LVHC employee and medical staff publications which meet the following two criteria: the article is medical/scientific oriented, and the article was published in a refereed journal dating between January 1986 and December 1988.

Deadline for submission of reprints and citations is July 3, 1989. For more information, contact Beshia Lee in the Research Department at 776-8889.

PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Geoffrey G. Hallock, M.D., Michael Rhodes, M.D., and David B. Sussman, M.D., co-authored an article which was recently published in the Journal of Trauma. The article, "Lower Limb Salvage with Autoclaved Autogenous Tibial Diaphysis: Case Report," reported an unusual case of bone grafting combining the patient's own extruded tibia covered by a microsurgical muscle transfer.

John A. Altobelli, M.D., and Geoffrey G. Hallock, M.D., co-authored an article titled "Polyglactin 910 Mesh for Support of the Donor Defect of the Double-pedicled Rectus Abdominis Musculocutaneous Flap," which was published in the April, 1989 issue of Annals of Plastic Surgery.

Additionally, Dr. Hallock authored two articles which were published in the April, 1989 issue of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. The articles included "Free-flap Coverage of the Exposed Achilles Tendon" and "Extended Applications of the Carbon Dioxide Laser for Skin Deepithelialization."

Two articles, authored by Indru T. Khubchandani, M.D., were recently published in national publications. "Sequelae of Internal Sphincterotomy for Chronic Fissure in Ano" was published in the May, 1989 issue of The British Journal of Surgery. "Current Status of Ileorectal Anastomosis for Inflammatory Bowel Disease" was published in the May, 1989 issue of Diseases of the Colon and Rectum.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Department of Pediatrics Conferences

"Lead Intoxication" will be presented by Richard Ruetter, M.D., Director of Pediatric Outpatient, Monmouth Medical Center, on Friday, June 23, at noon in the Auditorium at TAH campus.

For more information, contact Beverly Humphrey in the Department of Pediatrics at 778-2540.

NEW ADDRESS FOR PENNSYLVANIA BLUE SHIELD

The U.S. Postal Service has given Pennsylvania Blue Shield its own zip code -- 17089. This unique zip code allows the large volume of mail to be delivered faster than ever before.

In addition to the zip code change, the Post Office Box numbers have all been updated to six digits. You may begin using the new address as soon as possible. Following is a list of the most frequently used P.O. Box numbers and their corresponding nine-digit zip codes.

If Submitting:/New P.O. Box/New Zip + 4

- Medical-surgical claims/890062/17089-0062
- Dental claims/890400/17089-0400
- Vision claims/890500/17089-0500
- Customer Service (med-surg inquiries)/898847/17089-8847
- Customer Service (dental, FEP, and 65 Special inquires)/898856/17089-8856
- Precertification Center/898125/17089-8125
- U.S. Air Dental claims and inquiries/898807/17089-8807
- HERCO claims/898816/17089-8816
- Piedmont Dental claims/898824/17089-8824
- Boeing Helicopter claims/898832/17089-8832
- Philadelphia Board of Education inquiries/898844/17089-8844
- Philadelphia Board of Education claims/898843/17089-8843
- Provider Information Management/898842/17089-8842
- Cashier (for returned funds)/898820/17089-8820
- K-Mart claims/898852/17089-8852

WHO'S NEW

The Who's New section of Medical Staff Progress Notes contains an update of new appointments, address changes, newly approved privileges, etc. This has replaced the monthly "All Concerned" bulletins which notified all hospital departments of these changes. Please remember that each department or unit is responsible for updating its directory, rolodexes, and approved privilege rosters.

ADDRESS CHANGES

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PRACTICE NAME CHANGE

From McLean and Frey, Orthodontists, P.C. to Gregg T. Frey, D.D.S., P.C.

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1989-1990

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