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DONALD H. GAYLOR, M.D. HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

Over 250 friends, family members, and colleagues gathered recently to honor Donald H. Gaylor, M.D., at a testimonial dinner given in his honor for his 18 years of service as Chairman of the Department of Surgery of The Allentown Hospital--Lehigh Valley Hospital Center.

The Rev. Daniel G. Gambet, OSFS, President of Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales,

served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. Speakers included Gary G. Nicholas, M.D., Acting Chairman of the Department of Surgery and Chief of the Vascular Surgery Division; Charles J. Scagliotti, M.D., President of the Medical Staff; George E. Moerkirk, M.D., Chief of the Division of Pre-Hospital Emergency Medicine and Medical Director of MedEvac; George W. Hartzell, M.D., Chief of the General Surgery Division; Headley S. White, Jr., M.D., Senior Vice President of Medical and Academic Affairs; Lawrence P. Levitt, M.D., neurologist and trustee of the Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust; and Samuel R. Huston, President and Chief Executive Officer, all of The Allentown Hospital--Lehigh Valley Hospital Center.

Dr. Gaylor came to Allentown in 1972 to serve as Chairman of the Department of Surgery at the Allentown Hospital Association. He was later also named Chief of Surgery at Sacred Heart Hospital.

In July 1973, Dr. Gaylor was named Chairman of the Department of Surgery for the newly formed Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center, today known as the Lehigh Valley Hospital Center (LVHC) site. Through his efforts, the LVHC site became Pennsylvania's first state-designated trauma center. He also aided the Hospital's open heart surgery program in becoming the second largest in the commonwealth.

A graduate of the University of Rochester School of Medicine, Dr. Gaylor completed a one-year rotation at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Philadelphia followed by a general surgery residency at the U.S. Naval Hospital in St. Albans, N.Y. He also completed a surgical fellowship at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, Canada. Dr. Gaylor received his thoracic and cardiovascular surgery training at the U.S. Naval Hospital in St. Albans, N.Y., and St. Francis Cardiac Hospital in Roslyn, N.Y., respectively.

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As a founding director and co-medical director of the Eastern Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Services Council, member of the Medical Advisory Committee of the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council, and past-president of the Pennsylvania Division of the American Trauma Society, he played a significant role in improving survival rates for the area's auto accident victims.

Dr. Gaylor is a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and of the American Board of Thoracic Surgery. He is a member of the American Medical Association, Pennsylvania Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons, and Association for Hospital Medical Education. He is a founding member of the American Trauma Society and the Society of Thoracic Surgeons.

PARKING UPDATE

On Monday, June 18, the physicians' parking lot at TAH site was moved to the lot across the street from the Merchants Bank located at the corner of 17th and Chew Streets. Access to this lot and the physicians' parking lot at the LVHC site will be available only with the Hospital photo I.D. cards which

have been encoded by the Security Department.

For those physicians who do not have photo I.D. cards or who need their cards encoded, the Security Department will be scheduling times in the Medical Staff Lounge at each site to provide these services. Notification will be sent to all physicians when dates and times are scheduled.

Additionally, physicians may also schedule their own times to have photo I.D. cards taken or to have their cards encoded by contacting the Security Department at 778-2987 (TAH) or 776-8220 (LVHC).

NEWS FROM THE PAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Clinical Nurse Specialist Hours Reduced

Effective July 1, Linda M. Woodin, R.N., M.S.N., C.C.R.N., Clinical Nurse Specialist of the Pain Management Program, has had her position reduced to a part-time basis. She will now be available Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with four additional hours per week for meetings and correspondence.

The Pain Management Program will continue to oversee the implementation of post-operative patient-controlled analgesia with the Bard PCA1

pumps, to provide inpatient consultations on a limited basis, and to do educational programs for nursing and other health care professionals. Clinical assistance for the use of the Bard pumps will be provided by the Nursing Clinical Educators and Linda during her working days.

Linda may be reached on beeper #3228. During her days off, calls should be referred to the Neurosciences Regional Resource Center at 776-8270.

Implementation of Patient-Controlled Analgesia at TAH--LVHC

Patient-controlled analgesia (PCA) therapy with the Bard PCA1 pump for post-operative/post-traumatic pain is being implemented at TAH--LVHC under the direction of the Pain Management Program. PCA allows selected patients to self-administer ordered doses of narcotic analgesics within specified time frames.

Advantages include rapid pain relief, a sense of control and decreased patient anxiety, a more consistent serum analgesic level and the potential for less medication and less side effects than with traditional I.M. analgesia. PCA is indicated for alert, willing patients requiring parenteral narcotic analgesia for approximately 24 hours or

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more, and has been used successfully in surgical patients such as orthopedics, vascular surgery, abdominal surgery, gynecology, C-sections, burns, and trauma.

Attending physicians, surgeons, or residents are asked to discuss PCA therapy with appropriate patient candidates, obtain verbal permission, and indicate "PCA teaching please" on the Doctors Order Sheet preoperatively. For elective surgery, PCA can be offered as an option during the patient's office visit. PCA Patient Education Sheets are available for office use by contacting the Patient Education Department at 776-8775.

Pre-operative patient education or reinforcement will be done by the nursing staff, and allows patients to approach surgery assured that their pain will be relieved. Post-operative patient consent and education in the post-anesthesia care unit (PACU) has been minimally effective due to the effects of anesthesia and amnesic medications.

PCA therapy will be ordered and followed by attending physicians and residents. For your convenience, pre-printed order sheets (Acute Pain Patient-Controlled Analgesia)

are available on the nursing units.

The Pain Management Program will be doing brief presentations of PCA dosing strategies at upcoming division meetings and will be available to review the pre-printed order sheet and answer any PCA questions between your cases in the O.R. areas on a posted scheduled. Nursing education, in phases, is currently in progress at both sites.

In order to implement PCA in an orderly fashion, it is suggested that physician services begin PCA therapy in the following time frames which parallel the nursing inservice plan.

July 2 - TAH site surgery patients

July 8 - LVHC site patients including orthopedics, trauma, urology, general surgery, vascular surgery (patients to GICU-E/W, 5B), and burns

August 6 - LVHC site patients including vascular surgery (vascular patients to above units plus 4A), cardio-thoracic surgery, colon-rectal surgery, plastic surgery, and neurosurgery

If you have any questions regarding this procedure, please contact Linda M. Woodin, R.N.,

M.S.N., C.C.R.N., Clinical Nurse Specialist, Pain Management Program, at beeper #3228.

PHARMACY NEWS

On June 25, the updated Parenteral Nutrition Order Form (Form No. D0-03) was instituted. The most significant difference is the change in the composition of standard peripheral parenteral nutrition. The dextrose concentration has been increased from 10% to 20% in the base solution, resulting in an increase in the number of calories supplied to the patient.

The official hospital policy for ordering parenteral nutrition has been changed after a two-month trial period. Parenteral nutrition solutions must be reviewed a minimum of every 48 hours, and reordered as "same IVH" or with appropriate changes. Any changes to the formula must be made on the Parenteral Nutrition Order Form. A complete formula rewrite on the Parenteral Nutrition Order Form must be completed a minimum of every seven days. A reminder flag will be sent from the Pharmacy Department 48 hours prior to the seven day expiration date. Parenteral nutrition solutions not reordered by 3 p.m. every 48 hours will be substituted with D10W at 6 p.m.

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If you have any questions regarding this procedure, contact Lynn M. Kuster, IV Pharmacy Supervisor, at 776-8880.

LABORATORY UPDATE

Hepatitis C Testing of Donor Blood

As you know, donor blood is now tested for the Hepatitis C virus. As Miller Memorial Blood Center begins notifying the donors who test positive, you may see these blood donors as patients. At this point, there is no confirmatory test for the anti-HCV screening test. The significance of a positive test must be determined on an individual basis.

Ronald E. Domen, M.D., Medical Director of Miller Memorial Blood Center, has forwarded a set of articles related to this test to the Hospital. A copy of these articles are located in the Blood Bank at both sites. If you wish to receive a copy of these articles, please contact Kathy Mundt at 776-8180 (LVHC) or Phyllis Riter at 778-2370 (TAH).

Important Changes in Serum Cholesterol Value and the Interpretative Reporting of Lipid Profiles

The supplier of the HealthEast Laboratories' cholesterol standard for calibration of the SMAC instrument has lowered the calibrative set point for cholesterol. Effective July 16, the lab will institute use of this new cholesterol calibration material which will result in a 10-14 mg/dl lowering of all patient cholesterol values. This use of the revised calibration material is due to a centering material assessment of lipid reference standards with the goal of providing the best, most clinically accurate serum cholesterol value.

The laboratory has changed the computer lipid profile reports to be interpretive reflecting the National Lipid Research Council recommendations. These new reports will also be instituted July 16.

If you have any questions, please contact Gerald E. Clement, Ph.D., Director, Clinical Laboratory, at 776-8150.

From the Coagulation Laboratory

The following information was distributed in memo form on October 5, 1989. It is being

reprinted as a reminder to physicians.

"Unpredictably when a patient receives a therapeutic dose of intravenous heparin, the activated partial thromboplastin time (APTT) may not become prolonged to the desired level. This lack of suitable prolongation of the APTT is most likely due to elevated levels of fibrinogen and/or antihemophilic globulin (Factor 8). Elevation of those factors will produce an in vitro, not an in vivo, shortening of the APTT. In that situation, the following is suggested:

- 1) Request a plasma heparin level and if the result is between 0.2 - 0.5 units/cc, then the patient is probably receiving an adequate amount of heparin for an acute thrombosis.
- 2) If you are going to increase the hourly heparin dose, do not exceed 1500 units per hour."

If you have any questions regarding this procedure, contact Daniel Kaczor, Supervisor, Coagulation Laboratories, at 776-8170.

LASER COURSE OFFERED MONTHLY AT LVHC

For your convenience, a laser course is offered through the Microsurgery/Laser Laboratory at the LVHC site. The course is offered monthly and consists of three four-hour sessions. The first two didactic meetings include laser physics, safety, and clinical applications. The third session includes individualized instruction and use of the CO₂ and YAG lasers.

For more information regarding the course and fee schedule, contact the Microsurgery/Laser Laboratory at 776-8977.

LIBRARY ACCESS

As you may know, physician access to the Hospital libraries when they are closed is now available by using the Hospital photo I.D. cards (with the HealthEast logo). However, in order for the I.D. cards to work, they must be encoded by the Security Department and also have an authorization form on file in the library.

To confirm if you have an authorization form on file, contact the library at 776-8140 (LVHC) or 778-2263 (TAH).

NEWS FROM MEDICAL RECORDS

Day for Suspensions to Change

Effective July 15, the day for Medical Records suspensions will change from Mondays to Wednesdays. This change is being made to allow physicians additional time to complete their records following a weekend and also to alleviate problems when holidays fall on a Monday.

Medical Records to be Stored Off-Site

Due to space limitations, LVHC site medical records from 1985 and 1986 will be purged and stored in the Hospital Archives near Lehigh Street. If it is necessary to recover any of these records, Archives has assured the Medical Records Department that the turnaround time will not exceed one hour. This same procedure has been followed for TAH site.

Consultation Form to Change

To enable physicians to again write on the reverse side of the Consultation Form, carbon paper will replace currently used NCR paper when the forms are reordered. This change will also provide an annual cost savings to the Hospital.

Physician Attestation Statements

"Don't go on vacation before signing your attestation!" Physicians are reminded that attestation statements should be signed within five (5) days of receipt to insure uninterrupted cash flow to the hospital. Physicians who do not sign attestations within 15 days are subject to suspension. Your cooperation is vital and much appreciated.

RADIOLOGY NEWS

Vascular Doppler Studies in Radiology

In the May issue of the newsletter, the Vascular Laboratory announced that OPG's, Arterial Doppler, and Venous Doppler studies to be performed at TAH site will now be scheduled by the secretary in the Vascular Lab at the LVHC site.

However, this policy does not apply to vascular doppler studies performed in the Department of Radiology at TAH site or LVHC site, which continue to schedule and perform both in- and out-patient doppler services. These services include color duplex doppler evaluation of extra

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cranial carotid arteries, upper and lower extremity veins for thrombosis or pre-op mapping, portal veins and other deep intra-abdominal veins and arteries, and arteries for aneurysm, pseudo-aneurysm, or arterio-venous fistula.

A full range of ultrasound, CT, and x-ray services are also available. For scheduling at TAH site call 778-2214 for x-rays, and 778-2450 for CT-Ultrasound; at the LVHC site for inpatients call 776-8080 and for out-patient services call Lehigh Valley Diagnostic Imaging at 435-1600.

PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Geoffrey G. Hallock, M.D., Associate Chief of the Division of Plastic Surgery, authored a chapter titled "Tissue Expansion and Flaps of the Upper Extremity" which was included in the recent publication of the book Grabb's Encyclopedia of Flaps.

Robert Kricun, M.D., radiologist, was first author of the paper "Advances in Spinal Imaging" which was published in the March, 1990 issue of Radiologic Clinics of North America. The article discussed recent advances in magnetic

resonance imaging, computed tomography, and other imaging modalities. Co-authors were Morrie E. Kricun, M.D., and Murray K. Dalinka, M.D., radiologists from the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

TAH--LVHC Regional Symposium Series

"Pain Management in the 90's - The Science, The Art, The Program" will be presented on Friday and Saturday, September 14 and 15, in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. The program will be held from noon to 4:45 p.m. on September 14, and from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. on September 15.

Physicians, nurses, and other health care professionals interested in pain management will benefit from the conference.

The **"Third Annual Coagulation Symposium"** will be held on Friday, September 21, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. The one-day seminar will feature nationally recognized experts who will address issues dealing with an abnormal activated partial thromboplastin time, lupus anticoagulants and antiphospholipid antibodies,

and new analytes in the coagulation laboratory.

Physicians, medical technologists, and laboratory administrators will benefit from the program.

The **"Third Annual Cardiovascular Nursing Seminar: New Beats in Cardiology"** will be held on Wednesday, September 26, from 7:15 a.m. to 4:20 p.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. This one-day seminar will feature a nationally known speaker who specializes in the development of humor skills and in the use of humor as a therapeutic tool. Cardiovascular experts will present the latest information in cardiac pharmacology, hemodynamics, tissue oxygenation, end stage cardiac disease, open heart complications, and AICD patient issues. This seminar is designed for nurses in medical/surgical and critical care areas desiring to enhance their cardiovascular knowledge.

For more information about the conferences listing above, contact Human Resource Development at 776-8322.

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Neurosciences Conference -
Visiting Speaker

James Powers, M.D., Chief Neuropathologist, Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, will speak on Neurological CPC's on Friday, September 21, at 11 a.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site.

For more information, contact the Neurosciences Regional Resource Center at 776-8270.

PHYSICIAN PRACTICE OPPORTUNITIES

Physician rental space available in Allentown Medical Center, 401 N. 17th Street, Suite 306, Allentown. 1,350 square feet. Fully equipped and furnished. Immediate occupancy. Partnership interest also available.

Physician rental space available in Allentown Medical Center, 401 N. 17th Street, Suite 307, Allentown. 2,190 square feet. Fully equipped and furnished. Immediate occupancy. Partnership interest also available.

Specialty practice time-share space available in a comprehensive health care facility. Riverside Professional Center, 4019 Wynnewood Drive, Laurys Station. Half- or full-day slots immediately available.

For more information on these practice opportunities, contact John W. Hart, Vice President, at 776-8968.

WANTED: FAMILY PRACTITIONER OR GENERAL INTERNIST

Physician needed to provide H&P's and medical follow-up services to patients hospitalized in the Psychiatric Inpatient Unit at The Allentown Hospital site. Please contact John R. Wastak, Administrator, at 778-2810 for details.

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.

Please remember that each department or unit is responsible for updating its directory, rolodexes, and approved privilege rosters.

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