

CHECKUP

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Hospital History Found In Strange Places

Archives (är' kīvz) 1. a. An organized body of records pertaining to an organization or institution. b. A place in which such records are preserved. 2. A repository of evidence or information.

As life rushes towards the 21st century and TAH—LVHC must prepare to meet healthcare challenges unimaginable even a few decades ago, our past accomplishments become a source of strength and inspiration to propel us towards an unpredictable future.

The hospital's past and present are largely linked together by memory and memorabilia. As memories fade and fail, and are ultimately lost, physical evidence and records become the most valuable connection between then and now.

Locating and preserving the hospital's history is the ultimate goal behind an archival project currently under way thanks to funding by the Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust. An oral history is also being recorded by men and women who played prominent roles in hospital events.

According to archivists Jess Butrica and Eleanor Maass, Ph.D., of Science History Consultants, Philadelphia, the materials collected during the project's first three months help begin to outline what has become a proud tradition of organized medical care.

For example, TAH site's first patient when it opened in 1899 was a brick-

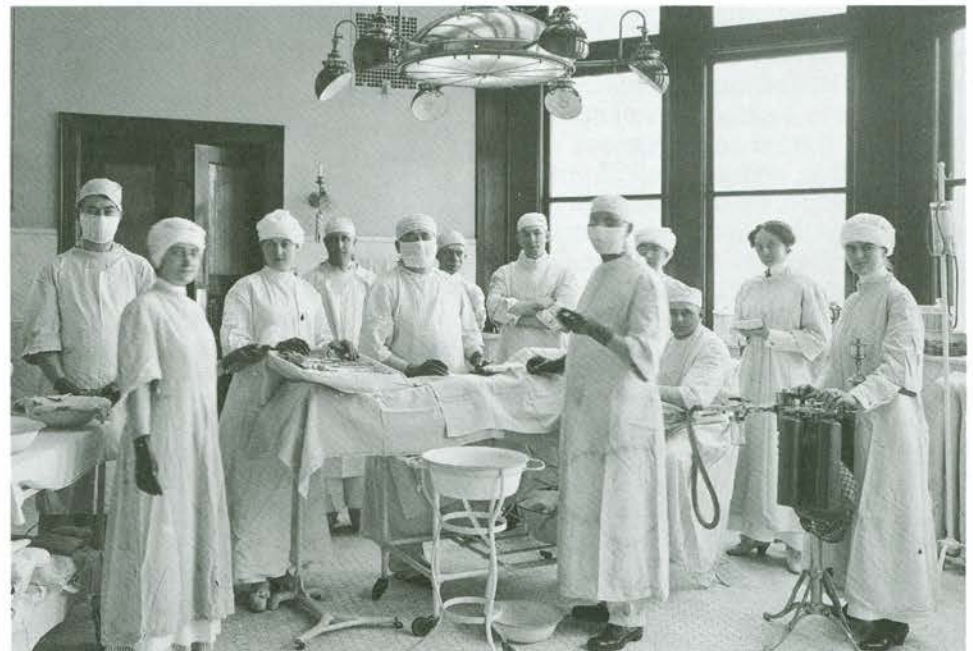
layer from Easton who suffered fractures of his thigh and ankle. The mason's broken bones were set and encased in plaster and he was discharged "cured" according to a large admitting ledger.

Two rusty cabinets forgotten for years in TAH site's flood-prone sub-basement held the water-damaged minutes of the hospital's board of directors first meetings, beginning in 1897.

These volumes, initially handwritten then later typed, are still legible and will be restored.

The same storage compartments for many years also protected photos and records of the first hospital fairs and other fund-raising events. Overexposed pictures show display booths decorated with American flags, flowers and buns.

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It may look a bit quaint now, but in 1914 it was a state-of-the-art operating room at The Allentown Hospital. Preservation of memorabilia provides both a historical record and the opportunity for hospital professionals in the year 2066 to be amused with what we consider state-of-the-art today.

Events

Atlantic City Excursion

An excursion to the Tropicana in Atlantic City, sponsored by Employee Activities, departs LVHC site parking lot at 6:30 p.m. April 27 and departs Atlantic City at 2:30 a.m. Included in the \$25-per-person trip are VIP accommodations, luxury seating and card table, and \$20 is returned in coin at the casino. Bring your own refreshments and beverages if desired. Seating is limited; reservations required, call Vickie Hackett, ext. 8162.

Bereavement Workshops

Bereavement workshops for clients of Lehigh Valley Hospice North, Palmerton, begin on April 16 from 1:30 to 4 p.m. for six consecutive Mondays at St. John's Episcopal Church, 365 Lafayette Ave., Palmerton. Open to the general public for \$7.50 per person; a sliding fee available. Register with Rev. Anne Huey at 433-5766.

Pulmonary Lectures

Living with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease lecture series, sponsored by HealthCounts, continues on April 18 with a discussion of specific relaxation, stress management and healthy eating, and on April 25 with a program on specific activities and exercises to improve energy and decrease shortness of breath. Lectures are from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in LVHC site Classroom 1; to register call HealthCounts at 821-2150.

20K Benefit Walk

TAH—LVHC team members are sought for WalkAmerica '90 to benefit the Lehigh Valley Chapter March of Dimes. Registration for the 20-kilometer walk begins at 8 a.m. Sunday, April 29, rain or shine. The 9 a.m. walk begins and ends at Dorney Park. Sponsor sheets are available in the Nursing Staffing office at TAH site, Communi-

Credit Union To Meet

The annual meeting of the HealthEast Federal Credit Union is to be held in Classroom 3, LVHC site, Thursday, April 19 at 2 p.m. All members are invited to attend; refreshments will be served.

cations at LVHC site, or from Barbara Hanks, ext. 8264, Judy Maloney at 821-2150 or Communications at HE, ext. 7914.

Volunteers are also needed to drive the TAH—LVHC Victory Van during the walk. For details, call ext. 2581.

Volunteers Sought

For the brave of heart or just plain crazy, Physical Therapy is seeking volunteers to sit in the May Daze dunking booth for 30-minute intervals on May 18, 19, 20. A swim is more or less guaranteed; take the plunge with Terry Dunn, Physical Therapy, ext. 8480.

Baltimore Arts Tour

A bus trip to Baltimore, sponsored by the Arts Advisory Council of HealthEast, will depart LVHC site at 7 a.m. Wednesday, May 2 and return at approximately 7 p.m. Continental breakfast and a boxed "High Tea" will be served on board; featured will be a walking tour of the Mount Vernon area (part of Baltimore's art neighborhood) and lunch at Louie's Bookstore Cafe. Tours of the Walters Art Gallery and Maryland Historical Museum have also been scheduled. Tickets are \$40, which includes bus fare, food, gratuities and museum entrance fees. Limited to 35 to 40 persons. For reservations call Gail Evans at ext. 7990.

Dialysis Support Group

A discussion of "Diabetes and the Renal Diet" is featured at the Wednesday, April 18 noon meeting of the Peritoneal Dialysis and Home Hemodialysis Support Group, Conference Room B, TAH site. Lunch will be served. Reservations required by calling ext. 2247.

Blood Donors Needed

At least 150 donors are needed for a visit of the Miller Memorial Bloodmobile on Monday, April 30, from 2 to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to noon, in classroom 1, Anderson Wing, LVHC site. Registration is in the wing's lobby; signup sheets will be posted in all departments or an appointment can be made by calling the Employee Health Office at ext. 8869.

Terminally Ill Care

A talk on care of the terminally ill covering medical, ethical and legal considerations will be given by James

McCartney, Ph.D, of Villanova University on Thursday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in LVHC site auditorium. The program is open to the public. McCartney is an associate professor in the university's department of philosophy.

Cholesterol Symposium

"Cholesterol in Children" is the topic of a symposium scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, April 12 in the Anderson Wing, LVHC site. The event is part of the third annual Dr. Mitchell E. Katz Lecture series, and registration by April 9 may be made by calling ext 8322.

MRI Topic Of Talk

Magnetic Resonance Imaging will be the topic of the April 18 program of the Make Today Count education program of the Comprehensive Community Cancer Center of TAH—LVHC. The meeting will be held in the President's Room of LVHC site at 7:30 p.m.

Fashion Show

Members of the Auxiliary of The Allentown Hospital site will serve as models for fashions by Marleons at the auxiliary's April 9 program starting at 7:30 p.m. in TAH site auditorium. Refreshments are planned.

Diabetes Course

A four-part course on self-blood sugar testing begins April 16 at the Dr. Frederick Helwig Diabetes Center for patients and family members. For additional information, call ext. 8890.

Contributions from departments, activity leaders and professional associations are solicited. Send the particulars of the coming event to *CheckUp*, Communications Dept., HealthEast, at least three weeks prior to ensure publication.

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Smelling The Roses

The Man Behind Your Computer Finds Delight In High Tech And Ordinary Telephone Directories

The world of Mark Jones encompasses the cutting edge of computer technology, but whenever you use a HealthEast system telephone directory, you've reached out and touched Jones. He spearheaded the directory project, along with all of the HealthEast organizational charts and a variety of special assignments. These are interesting aspects of his position, in addition to being the last check point for purchasing requests for anything related to personal computers throughout the HealthEast system.

Jones is the presentation systems/administrative analyst for HealthEast Information Services (HEIS). In his corner of Information Services he ascertains the personal computer hardware and software needs of the various components of the HealthEast system.

It works like this: you have a hardware or software need and contact HEIS customer service. An analyst is dispatched to better understand your requirements and formulates a "computer prescription." The prescription then lands on the desk of Jones, who reviews the analyst's diagnosis before it travels to Materials Management for final processing.

As the key person in the chain of computer needs, he is the first stop for eager salespeople with the latest hardware and software. Jones relishes this part of the job because he evaluates the latest in computer technology.

Because the personal computer world is in constant evolution, it is a tremendous task to stay on top of the technologies currently on the market and on the drawing board. Jones explained that the hardware and software field is highly competitive and new products are continually rushed into the marketplace.

In terms of sheer speed, it was just in the past year, for example, that a micro-processing chip known as a "386" was heralded as the pinnacle of speed. Now the industry is buzzing about a "486" and a "586" is already being considered. The difference between them is in the time required for the computer to process the data and it begs the question:



For Mark Jones, personal computer systems are an enchanting world — but so is a good game of chess or a trip to Las Vegas.

how fast is fast enough?

"For someone using a word processor, it's not that critical," he said. Computer speed is only as fast as keyboard skills. For complicated spreadsheets, it can decrease compilation time from 30 to 15 minutes and potentially even less.

On the other hand, some of the sophisticated software arriving on the doorsteps of hospitals nationwide designed to improve the speed and quality of patient care suggests that no computer can operate fast enough when life is at stake.

As new gear is rushed into the marketplace, Jones' office becomes a vortex in a competitive whirlwind. "HealthEast, after all, is a major account for them," he said.

Jones said standardization of personal computer systems within the hospital is one significant achievement in which he was involved. Thus, HealthEast becomes an important marketplace for the vast array of com-

panies seeking survival in the computer field.

Jones came to HealthEast three years ago from the Fuller Company of Bethlehem, where he worked as a computer-aided designer of, among other things, cement plants. His motive for moving to the healthcare field was "to give something back" for the treatment and therapy he received for 10 months after being the victim, at age 18, of a drunk driver in an auto accident, as well as subsequent hospitalizations. It placed him in a wheelchair, which profoundly changed his life. Nonetheless, he is very independent and manages a hectic daily schedule.

Several years after his accident, Jones said he met his wife, Regina, better known as Gina, executive assistant to the president/CEO at TAH—LVHC, while she, too, was a hospital patient. He said "I was always a survivor," and described himself as "drifting" through life before Gina "taught me what love and life was all about."

That includes an important balance between the stresses of the workplace and having a full life despite some limitations of a wheelchair. "You have to stop to smell the roses," he said after declaring that his rehabilitative experiences 20 years ago taught him to begin each day with a sense of appreciation that carries through to the job.

"You never know," he went on, "what cards are going to be dealt to you that day; you have to make the most of every day."

Off the job, he is an ardent chess player of tournament level skill and an eager traveller, mostly to see the sights and meet a divergence of people. On the job, his phone rings non-stop and he is surrounded by catalogs and company brochures offering today's latest technology. Yet in the abstract world of computer technology, there's still the HealthEast telephone directory and immense satisfaction with each new edition: a grueling and complicated task, perhaps, but nonetheless Jones' way of quietly putting his work on every desk in the system.

National Medical Laboratory Week Salutes Broad Range Of Professionals

MedEvac has just landed, bringing to TAH—LVHC a trauma victim. It's 2 a.m. and the lab has been notified of the Code Red.

Along with the trained trauma physicians and nursing staff, another patient-care resource has been mobilized. In order to determine and provide the transfusion needs for the patient, laboratory professionals have begun their task.

This is the kind of event that often occurs in the workday of the 280 plus technicians who quietly do an enormous amount of detective work each day for not only TAH—LVHC and related services, but for many physicians, clinics, companies, colleges and even veterinarians throughout the re-

gion.

And while there's been an enormous amount of publicity about the general shortage of nurses, the situation in the medical technologist and medical technician field is equally critical.

Young people with a strong interest in biology and biochemistry aren't even aware of the opportunities in the health field. And part of it is that, as vital as laboratory technicians are in patient care, their profile is low, the demands are high and the standards rigorous. With an eye to improving things, laboratory scientists will be observing National Medical Laboratory Week from April 8 to 14, including tours of the extensive TAH—LVHC facilities that most know only as "the lab."

The medical technologists, technicians, histologists, laboratory assistants, phlebotomists, cytotechnologists, clinical laboratory doctoral scientists and pathologists run nearly 8.5 million tests a year, or about an average of 17 per person per hour, in the fields of chemistry, coagulation, cytology, hematology, histology, microbiology/virology and immunology and toxicology, as well as the blood bank and a limited service lab. By virtue of its size, staffing and equipment, HealthEast Laboratories draws requests for work from far beyond the hospital environment and tends to get deeply involved with care on a multi-community scale. It can be

as intense as doing work on a second's notice for the Trauma Center or as unusual as trying to determine what's ailing the family cat. No matter, medical technologists Kathy Parees and Deb Fry say—it's all important.

Laboratory tests are performed by a variety of laboratory professionals. The formal education requirements are:

MLT—two years of college that includes a clinical internship.

MT—four years of college plus a 12-month clinical internship.

Cytotechnologist—four years of college that includes a 12- to 24-month clinical internship.

Histotechnologist—four years of college that includes a 12-month clinical internship.

Over 90 percent of HealthEast Laboratories' technical staff are baccalaureate prepared with many who possess master's degrees and specialty certifications.

The challenge can be simplified by saying that samples come in and are analyzed; the detective work comes in determining what's there and what isn't against what ought to be — "the normals". In the end, a report of what was found is returned to the physician, and based on that the doctor makes medical decisions.

That's where quality becomes the obvious factor. Every patient is important and often the lab needs to balance demands by multiple physicians for priority. This can only be accomplished by efficient use of time, instrumentation and good communication between the lab and our medical and nursing staff. Multiplied many-fold, day in and day out and all day long, the task never ends.

Although some tasks may seem repetitive and are performed on a routine basis, the laboratory professional must constantly be prepared to detect results that are abnormal, recognize the significance of the results and confirm the abnormality. The lab professional must continually guard against complacency. Lab work requires analytical skill and technical judgment. The laboratorian must continually monitor instrument performance and apply stan-



Katie Hackforth is a medical technologist in the toxicology laboratory at TAH site.

CountDown Volunteers Win High Accuracy Marks

HealthEast Laboratories workers who volunteered to participate in the CountDown Lehigh Valley program last year earned excellent marks from the College of American Pathologists (CAP) for their skills with Reflotron equipment.

According to Sharon L. Boley, peripheral and ancillary sites coordinator, TAH—LVHC, for the fourth consecutive time performance was described as "outstanding" in terms of standard deviations. She said CAP checks skills by providing blind samples for analysis, and a deviation of up to 2.0 was acceptable. Results were less than 0.5 standard deviations from the mean of Reflotron users and less than 1.0 for all enzymatic methods.

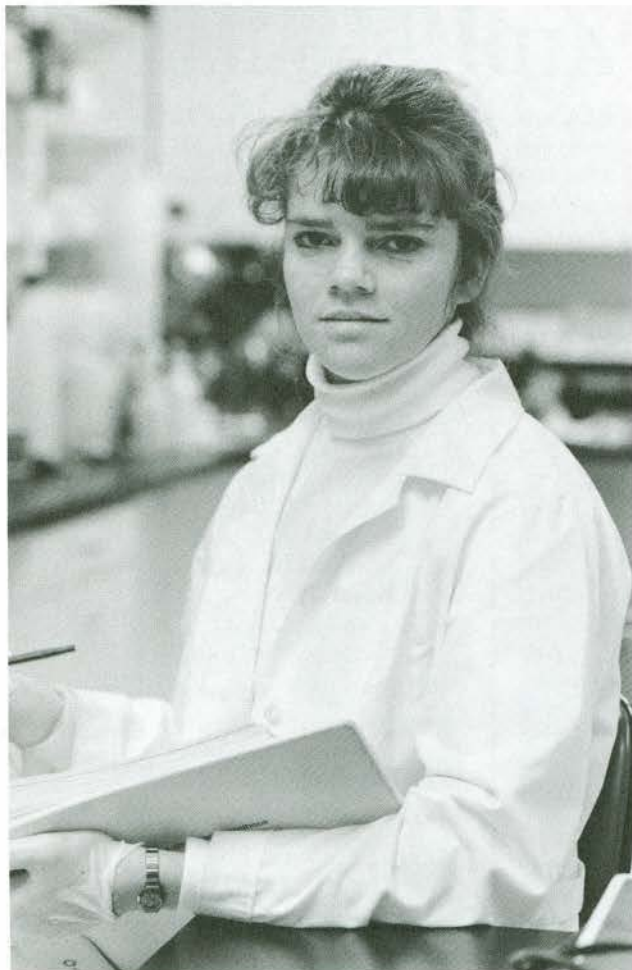
What it means, she said, was that persons taking the tests in the program could be "assured that the results we give are accurate", and noted a recently published article pointing to widespread inaccuracies elsewhere.

"Training, supervision and constant attention to protocol account for the quality of service we provide to our community with this program and we should be proud of it," she commented, and applauded Denise Holub, cholesterol educator in Community Health, on a job well done with CountDown Lehigh Valley in 1989.

Hepatitis Crisis Puts Lab To The Test

When an outbreak of Hepatitis A in Bethlehem dominated the front pages of area newspapers, HealthEast Laboratories played a key role in management of the crisis. Gail Fritch, M.T., supervisor of the Immunology Clinical Laboratory, said the 10-fold increase in tests over the previous year meant early hours and long days for employees to get results quickly to the Health Bureau, which in turn passed information along to the media to keep the public informed.

"The staff really worked hard to produce all the results," Fritch said, praising their cooperation and adding they deserved recognition for their work.



Mary Anne Owen is a medical technologist in the chemistry laboratory at LVHC site.

dard criteria for the evaluation of laboratory tests.

At any time, the routine can abruptly change and speed of reporting becomes highly critical. It is then that attention to detail and precision in work become important factors.

There is enormous diversity in the field, particularly in large systems such as HealthEast Laboratories, sometimes involving public health matters such as keeping tabs on the latest outbreak of influenza, or confirming cases of Hepatitis A. In the former case, monitoring flu strains has significant implications. Influenza is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States.

Sometimes the detective work performed by laboratorians reveals unusual findings. An example was the puzzle created by symptoms of a former Arizona excavator who carried an unusual fungus not found in this area. The discovery by Anne Belzecky, a medical technologist in Microbiology,

attributed the patient's problem to *Coccidioides Immitis*.

Laboratory professionals say one of the negative aspects of the job is having the enormous responsibility which impacts on a patient's management without the face-to-face contact that nurses have.

Some are perfectly willing to do phlebotomy work just to have patient contact and many volunteer for special public health endeavors such as the hospital's CountDown Lehigh Valley cholesterol screening program last year.

One of the exciting aspects of clinical laboratory science is the opportunity to evaluate new tests and develop new diagnostic services for use by the medical staff.

"New" diseases such as AIDS and Lyme disease, "new" tests such as fetal lung maturity assays and new technology such as image analysis and automated immunohistochemistry constantly provide challenges to the labo-

ratory with the objective of providing comprehensive and clinically useful diagnostic information.

Another challenge to the laboratorian is to maintain and expand their knowledge of current tests and their interpretation. Laboratory staff regularly take advantage of hospital conferences and professional seminars to increase their expertise.

HealthEast Laboratories frequently sponsors symposia that boast of regional attendance and expertise. An example is the symposium on April 20 on laboratory contributions to the diagnosis of AIDS, open to the area's healthcare community.

More than anything, lab professionals see themselves as people who must rely as much on trained human skills as on state-of-the-art instruments, dealing with each specimen as an individual whose life may well depend on what they find. Because very often, it does.

Congratulations

Joseph Pilla, reimbursement accountant, Finance (TAH—LVHC) popped the question to **Louise Ligenza**, R.N., staff nurse, Pediatrics, GHMH, on Feb. 17. The couple plan to wed April 17, 1991. **Patricia Ann Root**, MSW, Social Services (TAH), became engaged to Jan Frederick on March 10. The couple plan a spring wedding.

Robert Gross, corporate accountant, Finance (HE), wed Wendy Blomstrom on Feb. 14.

Diane Breidinger, R.N., staff nurse, Clinics (TAH), and her husband Dennis became the proud parents of a baby boy on Jan. 2. Brian William weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and was 22 1/2 inches long. Also, the following TAH site employees welcomed new additions to their families. **Keith Worley**, nursing assistant, Operating Room, and his wife **Victoria**, food service worker, Food and Nutritional Services, announced the birth of a son on March 11. Shawn Michael weighed 8 pounds, 9 1/2 ounces, and was 22 inches long. **Dawn Groman**, Food and Nutritional Services, and Robert Orabits, welcomed a son on Feb. 23. Timothy Drake weighed 6 pounds, 8 1/4 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Lori Evans, R.N., Transitional Care Unit (TAH), won a \$100 Savings Bond for Perfect Attendance in February.

Safety Office Issues New Reporting Forms

Information will be provided at TAH—LVHC division meetings detailing the use of the revised employee incident report form, according to Emma F. Hooks, safety officer.

Those using the form include all employees, physicians, volunteers, students and outside contractors and the report allows safety officials to track mishaps resulting in illness, injury, property damage, fires and body-fluid exposures through a computerized safety information system.

"This will allow for the development of specific programs to address the identified safety needs of the hospital," Hooks added.

HealthEast Labs Offers Day-Long AIDS Seminar

A one-day program on "Interdepartmental Laboratory Contribution to the Diagnosis of AIDS" will be held Friday, April 20, at LVHC site's Anderson Wing auditorium. The program is free for TAH—LVHC and HealthEast employees and \$10 for non-employees, which includes breaks, lunch and reception.

The program is sponsored by HealthEast Laboratories. Moderators include Diane C. Halstead, Ph.D, director, Microbiology/Virology/Immunology, and Daniel Kaczor, MT (ASCP), Hemostasis supervisor, both of HealthEast Laboratories.

Among the topics to be discussed are phlebotomy concerns and universal precautions, current strategies for tumor markers, microbiological, hematologic and coagulation aspects of AIDS, pharmacology of AZT and Pentamidine, HIV from infection to transfusion to erythropoietin and detection of pneumocystis carinii for HIV confirmation.

Participants in the program include: David G. Beckwith, Ph.D, administrator of TAH—LVHC and director of HealthEast Laboratories; Andrea E. Geshan, R.N., MSW, director of Infec-

tion Control and the AIDS Activities Office at TAH—LVHC; Lawrence Demers, M.D., professor of pathology and medicine and director of clinical chemistry, University Hospital; Mark Knouse, M.D., infectious disease specialist, TAH—LVHC.

Also, Lloyd Barron, M.D., hematologist and medical oncologist and director of the Hemophilia Treatment Center, TAH—LVHC; David H. Henry, M.D., clinical assistant professor of Medicine, Division of Hematology/Oncology, Graduate Hospital; Carol Ann M. Faust, R.Ph., and Sylvia Ilcisin Kry, R.Ph, staff pharmacists, TAH—LVHC; and Steve Berman HT (ASCP), staff histologist, TAH—LVHC.

Additional information is available from Kaczor or Dr. Halstead at ext. 8150.

Recovery Rooms Get New Designation

What's always been known as "recovery room" is now the Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU), according to Joseph E. Vincent, M.D., critical care director at TAH—LVHC.

Here's What Readers Say About Us...

Respondents to a reader survey about content preference in *CheckUp*, as the publication begins its third year, say they'd like to see a lot more information about employees from middle-management down.

The survey, which was distributed in a recent issue of *CheckUp*, brought responses from throughout the system and of those who responded, 91 percent were regular readers.

In terms of popularity, regular features that led the list were Marketplace, Congratulations and articles on departments. Slightly behind were the Benefits Spotlight, employee activities, Hotline and educational features.

Slightly more than half said they regularly read Making The Rounds, cafeteria special events and *Woman-Care* happenings.

Employees favored articles about programs within the community, staff interviews, humorous items, reviews of personnel policies, association news, hospital-sponsored sports teams and

the current tax-exempt status issue.

Primarily, though, readers enjoy reading about co-workers: what employees do on their jobs, what they do for hobbies and activities, articles on long-time employees, new employees, and "more on departments and regular employees."

There were suggestions for greater flow of information discussed at department head meetings and updates on insurance problems.

Educational features on medical terminology, computers and CPR were urged and a slight majority would like to see more pictures of employees in the publication.

In terms of frequency of publication, 23.5 percent thought weekly would be nice, 58 percent favored the current twice-per-month schedule and 17.5 percent felt that monthly would be fine.

The *CheckUp* staff appreciates the survey responses and all the suggestions and looks forward to implementing many of them in future issues.

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ting. Auxiliary documents explain that members sold novelties, fancy work, cakes and refreshments from these stands to support the hospital's efforts.

Dusty boxes from LVHC site's Engineering building contain details about the people, funding, real estate and construction plans for the facility which began receiving patients in 1974.

The merged hospital we today know as The Allentown Hospital—Lehigh Valley Hospital Center (which has been rated Pennsylvania's largest hospital) had humble beginnings in an era when life was simpler.

According to Butrica, a self-titled "detective for old stuff," TAH-site records indicate that vegetables were grown on hospital grounds and sheep and cows grazed so that food costs could be contained. Local markets also donated groceries to the struggling institution.

She also discovered in her efforts to "locate, secure and inventory" (her words) hospital history, an account describing options patients had for paying for medical care in the early 1900s. A bushel of potatoes, for example, was accepted as payment for treatment in one case.

The information in these retrieved records testifies how far the hospital has come since its origins, says Butrica. "Putting your history in order provides the opportunity to give yourselves credit for your accomplishments."

Butrica is equally at home below ground foraging through cardboard boxes packed with faded news clippings and marked "Miscellaneous" or amid the carpeting and panelled walls of the Historical Archives office cataloging memorabilia for permanent storage.

Currently, she is busy indexing the materials which have been recovered in these early stages of the project. She hopes to ultimately create a computerized catalog of the documents, photos and other hospital artifacts like the purse-like leather pill-bottle case and ophthalmologist's instruments.

Butrica's contract with the hospital will be completed in June and, by then, she will have paved the way for the next two years' work on the project. To assist the hospital with carrying on this important work, volunteers will be recruited from the hospital and community.



In 1974, Leonard Pool, first chairman of the board of Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center, now LVHC site, watched the flag rise for the first time.

Valeria Boyer and Dorothy Hoffner are two women who witnessed firsthand many historical hospital events and initiated the three-year effort, which included brainstorming the project and composing the Pool Trust grant proposal. Hoffner served as secretary to Leonard Pool, founder of LVHC site and Air Products & Chemicals. Boyer was assistant administrator at TAH site and associate administrator at Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center, which later became LVHC site.

That they have targeted 1999 as the project's completion date is doubly significant: TAH site will celebrate its centennial and 25 years of service will be marked at LVHC site.

In the Historical Archives office at 343 West St. (behind TAH site) are carefully arranged bound volumes that barely survived the 1982 flood in TAH site's basement. Mildew-scarred from years of neglect, these books are slowly drying out on metal shelves in the row

home's former bedroom.

In the front office and in virtually every other room, Butrica and Maass have begun separating on metal shelves the identifiable artifacts from those articles in question.

Butrica beams as she describes her finds, relating how they fit together with other events and anecdotes in the history of nearly a full century of medical care. She hopes employees—and anyone either currently or at one time associated with TAH—LVHC—will join in her quest of the hospital's past.

Butrica asks that people owning or knowing of old pictures, letters, keepsakes or anything that reveals a bit of the hospital's history call her at ext. 9680 to arrange for her to examine the memorabilia. "I've been told, for example, that there are old postcards of the hospital that were sold at local fairs. Please don't throw them out. They're treasures."



Camille Batchis, M.S.W., is a psychiatric social worker at TAH site. Because of technical difficulties, her photo did not appear in the last issue of Checkup.

LVHC Site Cafeteria Nears Grand Opening

With renovation work at LVHC site cafeteria nearing completion, Food and Nutritional Services announced plans for two days of grand opening celebration on Thursday, April 12 from 2 to 4 p.m. and Friday, April 13, from 1 to 3 p.m.

The new cafeteria will be officially open for service on Saturday, April 14, and until then meal service will remain available in the temporary cafeteria.

Operating hours in the new cafeteria will be from 6 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. seven days a week, with the additional hours of 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. Monday through Friday.

In an arrangement described as a food court/scatter system, the service areas are in the form of islands to help speed service. "We believe our dining room will allow you to 'escape' during your meal period," said Carla Swigut,

assistant food service director, "and enjoy the comfort of a bright and pleasant dining atmosphere."

Between 6:30 and 9:30 a.m. daily, the cafeteria will serve a hot and cold breakfast bar. From 9:30 to 11 a.m., snack and beverage service will be available, and from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. all food cart stations will be open for lunch. Those stations include the charbroiler-grill, fresh dough pizza, deli, hot food, cold food to go, desserts featuring soft serve yogurt, beverages including both Coca-Cola and Pepsi Cola products, and a 17-foot soup and salad bar.

Snack and beverage service will be offered from 2 to 4:30 p.m., and dinner service runs from 4:30 to 8 p.m. A special dinner feature will be a grill menu including steaks cooked to order, stir-fry and charbroiled entrees. Pizza and hot entrees are available until 7 p.m. and the grill menu and deli until 8 p.m.

Night Life Service between 1 and 4 a.m. will offer fresh sandwiches, hot entrees, pizza, "pick up 'n' go" items, beverages and desserts.

Up-To-Date Health Directories Issued

Updated HealthEast Health Plan (HHP) Directories have been distributed to department heads. Employees enrolled in the HHP can choose from the best physicians in the Lehigh Valley. Those employees who choose to use HealthEast participating providers will not be balance-billed for hospital and medical/surgical services which exceed the HHP fee schedule.

Because of limited supply, each department has been provided a copy. Those in need of additional copies, may stop by the Human Resources Department at the appropriate site.

If you have any questions contact the Human Resources representative at your site: Gerrienne Keiser (LVHC), ext. 8839; Maryjane Zanders (TAH), ext. 2930; or Leilani Souders (HEI), ext. 7936.

Recognition Dinner Unveils New Lab

A recognition dinner was held March 5 to formally unveil the new Elsa and Harvey Farr Pelvic Physiology Laboratory.



William Williams, a respiratory technician, was among the speakers who urged a group of middle school students from the area to remain in school and consider careers in healthcare. Others participating in the March 22 program at LVHC site were Luis Martinez, senior vice president, Human Resources; Gretta Sacks, MT, Hematology; Victor McCain, Supply-Process-Distribution; Ernest Kuhinka, Ph.D, director of education; Michelle Serfass, Respiratory Therapy, and Carol Schlags, director of Volunteer Services. The group also was given a tour of University MedEvac.

Shift Volunteers Sought For Mayfair

Emergency personnel from TAH—LVHC will once again staff the first aid station at the annual Mayfair celebration to be held Thursday, May 24 through Monday, May 28.

Safari-style uniforms of khaki-colored T-shirts and cargo shorts have been donated and will be supplied to first aid workers.

Shifts needing staffing are 10 a.m. to midnight May 24 and 25 and from noon to midnight May 26-28. A pre-event meeting will be held and volunteers will be notified of dates, times and locations.

Deadline for signing up is April 27, and those interested in participating should contact David Salatino, R.N., at ext. 2246 or page 3081.

Rally to Launch Walking Program

A kick-off rally for HealthCount's "Journey Through the Heart" walking program for TAH site and HealthEast employees and their families will be held on Tuesday, April 17 at both 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. in TAH site auditorium.

Official start of the trek is April 18, and it will continue through June 12; on June 20, an awards celebration is planned. At the April 17 rally, advice

will be offered on how to develop an individual safe and effective walking program. To receive enrollment forms, which are due on April 10 to the Wellness Center, call 821-2150.

A promotion day for the event is planned for April 10 outside of TAH site cafeteria, from 7 to 9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 5 to 6 p.m. HealthCounts representatives will be available to answer questions.

THE MARKETPLACE

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For Sale

Oak, roll-top computer desk with lock and keys. Like new. Asking \$200 (\$300 new). Call 791-5427.

Table and four chairs. Table measures approximately 48 inches square. Ideal for starter set. Constructed of sturdy plastic-like material with plexiglass table top. Asking \$60 or best offer. Call Bernie after 4:30 p.m. at 437-5793.

Sears Best Jungle Gym. Includes sliding board, two swings, monkey bars, one swing bar and overhead hanging bars. 2 1/2 years old - best offer takes it. Call Maryann at ext. 7970 or 965-8186 after 6 p.m.

1989 Briggs and Stratton riding lawn mower. Includes five-speed and reverse transmission, twin 18 horsepower engine, 39-inch cut, wagon, headlights, electric start and yard roller. Used three times. Call Barbara at ext. 2430.

Full-size, solid wood, student cello with padded case. Made by Meisel of Germany. Asking \$1,200. Call 398-3178.

Six-piece antique oak bedroom set. Includes head and foot board, dresser, two night stands and chiffonier. Asking \$250. Call 439-8427.

Sunbeam model 670 ultrasonic, cool-spray 1.2 gallon capacity humidifier. Continuous running time at normal setting is 14 hours. Excellent for humidifying dry, winter air or child's room. Asking \$45 or best offer. Call 434-5643.

Oval-shaped glass dining room table, never used - \$250 (\$600 new); brown recliner - \$30; brass cast-iron, four-piece fireplace set, hardly used - \$60. Moving, will sacrifice. Call 965-2083 and leave message.

General Electric, 21 cubic foot, bronze, self-defrosting refrigerator/freezer, needs refrigerator gasket - \$95 or best offer; 40 x 60 inch pine trestle table with formica top and four chairs, in good condition - \$149 or best offer. Call 437-1545.

Automobiles For Sale

1985 318i BMW - red with black interior, automatic transmission, sunroof -- loaded. Call Sue at ext. 8790 or 820-9391.

1985 Toyota 4 x 4, longbed truck with 31,000 miles. Includes cap, modified wheels and 31/10/50 tires. Runs and looks great! Must sell. Asking \$7,800. Call Mike at ext. 9466 days or 398-3471 evenings.

1988 Honda Accord LXI sedan, with 27,000 miles, in excellent condition. Features automatic transmission, air conditioning, power steering, windows and locks, tilt wheel, cruise control, rear-window defroster, tinted glass, AM/FM cassette and moon roof. Asking \$12,800. Call 820-0981.

1963 Oldsmobile Holiday 88 for restoring. Best offer. Call Tony at 863-6852 after 5 p.m.

1987 Plymouth Turismo/Duster with 41,000 miles. Red with black pinstriping, five-speed transmission, power steering and brakes, AM/FM cassette with equalizer. One owner. Must sell, asking \$3,500 or best offer. Call Teri at ext. 8210 or 759-6026.

1987 Ford 4 x 4 XLT super cab with 12,000 miles. Includes air conditioning, captain's chairs, automatic transmission, power steering, brakes, windows, locks, AM/FM cassette stereo, cruise control, bed liner, side rails, ziebarted and provision for cellular phone. Asking \$12,500. Call 437-4341.

1983 BMW 320i, black, just inspected. Features five-speed transmission, sunroof, air conditioning, removable Kenwood stereo, brand new tires and struts. Call Dave at 434-6673.

Real Estate For Sale

Three-bedroom, end-of-row home, near TAH site. Includes one and one-half baths, original woodwork, huge new kitchen, large deck and privacy fence. Asking \$74,900. Call 433-1834.

Two and one-half bedroom house on No. 13th St, near TAH site, schools and shopping center. Ready to move in - no work needed. Features finished basement, covered back patio, semi-enclosed front porch, bath/shower, living room, dining room, kitchen, finished woodwork, wall-to-wall carpeting and new roof. Asking \$74,000. Call 821-1396.

For Rent

Clean, quiet, cozy first floor apartment. Includes three rooms and bath with enclosed back porch. Asking \$450 per month which includes heat and hot water. No pets allowed. Call 439-0288.

Three-bedroom townhouse, located in the west end of Allentown. Features living room, dining room, kitchen, bath and garage. Available May 1. Asking \$650 per month plus utilities. Call Joe at 398-6207 and leave message.

Cozy two-bedroom cottage, located in Orleans, Cape Cod, mid-Cape location. Ten minute drive to famous Nauset beach - Cape Cod National Seashore. Suitable for two to four persons. Asking \$425 per week. Call Nancy at 797-5798 and leave message.

Roommate Wanted

Share a beautiful home in Emmaus. Includes two living rooms with stone fireplace, large den area, fully equipped kitchen, three bedrooms, one and one half baths, laundry facilities and full-size attic which will accommodate furniture. Asking \$200 per month plus utilities. Call 965-2083 and leave a message.

Home Improvements

Commercial/residential general contractor, specializes in new construction and renovations. Fully insured with 10 years experience. References available. Call 820-9334.

Babysitting Services

Babysitting services available in Alburtis area. For more information, call Jane at 966-2348.

Investment Opportunity

Double your money in five years -- high return, low risk. Call Todd at ext. 9464 or 264-3498 for more information.

Cruise Available

The Auxiliary of TAH site is sponsoring a cruise to Bermuda from Oct. 14 to 21. Early registration is encouraged and a \$200 deposit will be required at that time. The cost is \$1,428 per person. For complete details, call Shirl Ritter at 434-4279 or 432-7950.

NOTE: THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE MARKETPLACE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE MAY 4 EDITION OF CHECKUP. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION FOR THIS EDITION OF THE MARKETPLACE IS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25.

MAY-DAZE 1990

GERANIUM PRE-ORDER FORM

Red, pink, and white geraniums will be available at the May-Daze Garden Center. The price for the Pre-Ordered geraniums is \$2.50. During May-Daze, the price will be \$2.75. Pre-Ordering will guarantee that your selections will be available during May-Daze. Marigolds, impatiens, petunias, begonias, and hanging baskets, along with a variety of perennials, will also be available at the Garden Center.

To place your order, kindly fill out the form below and mail it, along with your check, payable to May-Daze, by May 11, 1990 to:

Mary Ann O'Connor
2441 Union Street
Allentown, PA 18104-6236

PLEASE PICK UP PLANTS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 4 AND 10 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 18 AT THE MAY-DAZE GARDEN CENTER, LOCATED AT THE HOSPITAL CENTER CAMPUS.

IF THE WEATHER LOOKS DOUBTFUL, PLEASE PICK UP THE PLANTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Name : _____
Address : _____
Phone : _____
Color : _____
Quantity : _____
Amount \$: _____
[qty X \$2.50]

Return this portion

Name : _____
Color : _____
Quantity : _____
Amount \$: _____
Keep this portion for your records & bring it with you to pick up your order. Thank you for your generous support.

Keep this portion