On Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 1, over 3,000 employees, physicians, board members, volunteers, auxilians, associates and friends helped Lehigh Valley Hospital open a new chapter in cancer care. The photographs in this special edition of CheckUp provides a glimpse of the many activities that took place over those three days. Additional photos will be on display during January outside the cafeterias. Congratulations to everyone who has made the John and Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center a reality!
At noon on Nov. 29, reporters, video technicians and photographers from throughout the area got their first glimpse at the inside of the cancer center. Led by Drs. Prager and Sussman, the media toured the facility, taking copious notes, snapping hundreds of pictures and shooting plenty of film for television. In all, over one million people saw, heard or read about the John and Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center.
John and Dorothy Morgan, acting Governor Mark Singel and other politicians, Raymond E. Lenhard, MD, Johns Hopkins Oncology Center, donors, hospital officials, board members and almost 300 friends took part in official dedication ceremonies on Monday, Nov. 29.
Employees and their family members filled the cancer center Tuesday, Nov. 30 as over 1,000 people toured the facility. With such a large turnout, tour guides were at a premium. Last minute help from Dr. Sussman and hospital administrators helped to create a memorable evening for all.
Over 1,100 friends of the community came out Wednesday evening to tour the facility. By the end of the evening everyone was sure that this beautiful building is indeed the premier outpatient cancer center in the region.
Lehigh Valley Hospital recently celebrated the Grand Opening of the John and Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center. It took a great deal of hard work by many hospital employees to host over 3,000 people during the three day event. On behalf of the Board of Trustees and hospital leadership, I want to thank the following departments who helped to make the Grand Opening such an overwhelming success. Congratulations on a job well done to Biomedical Photography, Cancer Center staff, Development, Facilities Planning and Construction, Food Services, Housekeeping, Print Shop, Public Relations, Security and Volunteers!

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