Modernization Proposed

The Allentown Hospital has announced plans to submit a revised modernization project to the Health Systems Council of Eastern Pennsylvania by September 8 for review in November, 1980 by the Council Board.

"The project is an internal modernization project to provide the type of patient care facilities and amenities required for patient care today," explained Darryl R. Lippman, president, The Allentown Hospital. "It will enable us to correct deficiencies and to provide much greater efficiency and effectiveness throughout the hospital.

"As a result of the project, substantial savings in operating costs will be achieved," continued Lippman. "Based on today's dollars, we are projecting annual savings exceeding $800,000."

Among the elements of the project are the provision of adequate toilet and shower facilities for all patient rooms, consolidation of seven medical/surgical units into four modern efficient configurations, consolidation of the Obstetrical and Newborn Units currently on two floors, into a modern center for maternal and infant care and the modernization and consolidation of the Pediatric areas into a single efficient unit. The Psychiatric Unit will be expanded to provide the needed additional therapeutic and treatment capabilities and a new Emergency Department area will be provided to permit more effective and efficient treatment for more than 31,000 patients annually.

This proposal also includes the reduction of beds at The Allentown Hospital from the current 305 to 268. This decision was made in accordance with the goals and objectives of the Health Systems Plan which identifies an excess of beds in Lehigh County in 1984. The changes in the Hospital's bed complement include reducing Medical/Surgical beds by eighteen, Obstetrical beds by four, Pediatrics beds by seven, special care beds by ten and increasing the Psychiatric beds by two.

The modernization project will entail the construction of a three-story patient care addition above the Trexler Service Wing, a seven-story addition to the Schaeffer Wing, the renovation of a number of existing areas, and vacating the 1914 East Wing. The seven-story addition will provide a new main entrance and lobby, administrative offices, physical therapy, newborn nurseries, coronary care, psychiatry and mechanical space.

The cost of the construction will be $10.89 million and the total cost of project will be $19.1 million. Financing will be through a tax exempt bond issue.

Following project approval, the project will take three years to complete.

Board Welcomes Three

The Reverend A. Malcolm MacMillan, rector, Church of the Mediator and Gene S. Cesari, Ph.D., president, Cedar Crest College, were welcomed as new members of The Allentown Hospital Association Board of Directors at the annual Association meeting. The Board also approved Stanley Snyder, M.D., as the new president of the Medical and Dental Staff at Allentown Hospital and seated him as the physician representative.

Re-elected to the Board of Directors for a three year term were: Frank R. Boyer, M.D., Richard Fleming, Robert McNabb, William C. Roberts, Abram Samuels and Charles D. Schaeffer, M.D.

Valeria S. Boyer, Abram Samuels and Alan H. Schragger, M.D., were appointed to the Allentown Class of the Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center. Walter J. Okunski, M.D., was appointed as the physician representative for a one-year term.

Reverend MacMillan has been rector of the Church of the Mediator since 1974. This year he received the Keystone Award from the Boy Scouts of America. He is a trustee of The Swain School, Allentown and serves on the boards of the Allentown Rotary Club, United Way, Episcopal Community Services and the Minsi Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Prior to becoming president of Cedar Crest College in 1978, Dr. Cesari served as Director of Development as well as associate professor of history at Elmira College. He is a member of the editorial advisory board of the American Council on Education, the institutional affairs committee of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities and the education committee of the Chamber of Commerce for Lehigh County. Locally, Dr. Cesari is also a member of the United Way Board of Directors, the Rotary Club and the Pennsylvania Society.

Dr. Snyder is the assistant chairman, department of obstetrics/gynecology, Dr. Snyder, a graduate of the Temple University School of Medicine where he earned his medical degree, completed both his training and residency at The Allentown Hospital. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and also the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists.
President's Corner:
On The Little Things

Each of us knows the special feeling when a friend remembers our birthday or a neighbor takes a minute to say hello. We would all agree that it is often the little things that mean a lot in our personal lives.

Those "little things" also reflect the degree of pride that one takes in job, hospital and self. It takes but a moment to pick-up a crumpled paper towel from the hallway. It takes but a moment to assist an elderly visitor. It takes but a moment to ask the identity of any person not known to a nursing unit or particular department. Indeed, it is only through being individually mindful of "the little things" on an ongoing basis that means so much to patients, fellow employees, and ultimately, to the image of The Allentown Hospital.

Cumulatively, addressing those "little things" reflects the difference between a good hospital and a great hospital. It is up to all of us, collectively, through our personal pride, individual awareness and concerted efforts, to maintain a great hospital.

Added Employee Benefit

The Board of Directors added the Fourth of July to the list of holidays on which employees on duty will receive time-and-a-half payment.

Employees working this holiday will be paid for the equivalent of 12 hours work for an eight-hour shift. Full-time employees will also be entitled to a day off for the holiday worked.

The four annual holidays for which employees on duty will receive the time-and-a-half payment include: New Year's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and the Fourth of July.

Hospital Receives JCAH Accreditation

The Allentown Hospital recently received the maximum accreditation of two years by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH).

John E. Affeldt, M.D., president of JCAH, commented in his written notification that "we commend The Allentown Hospital for its successful and continuing efforts to comply with the standards set forth by JCAH."

Hospitals voluntarily submit an application to be surveyed by a JCAH group. A three-member team consisting of a physician, a registered nurse, and a hospital administrator, visited the hospital and conducted a two-day survey.

The notification of approved accreditation means that our efforts to provide high quality patient care have earned professional recognition.

Darryl R. Lippman, Hospital president, expressed his deep appreciation to the Board, members of the Medical and Dental Staff and employees for their time and fine efforts during the accreditation survey.

Phone For Hearing Impaired

The Allentown Hospital now has a phone with a volume adjustment to aid the hearing impaired. Located just outside the door of the X-ray Department, the phone is easy to use. Buttons control the increase in volume needed by each individual. Patients and visitors alike are invited to use the new phone.

One hearing-impaired Allentown Hospital employee has already remarked that it "works wonderfully" and is a pleasure to use.
State Approves NICU Expansion

Plans for expanding the neonatal intensive care unit at The Allentown Hospital into a regional referral unit are currently underway following receipt of approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

Unanimous approval was received from the Health Systems Council of Eastern Pennsylvania during its May Board meeting, but plans could not be implemented until the State Department of Health approved the proposal. President Darryl Lippman, stated, "We are very pleased with the support we have received from the HSC, hospitals, physicians and other health care agencies in the five-county region" which will benefit from the expansion plan. Further, Lippman said, "We are all committed to improving the care given to sick infants, as well as improving the outcome of all pregnancies in this region."

The Hospital project includes the expansion of bassinets from six to fifteen positions. Six will be designated for intensive care, six for intermediate care and three for longer continuing care. There are also plans for a transportation component to allow safe and rapid transport of the neonate and a communication system including a hotline and consultative system. Plans for follow-up programs during the early years and parent support groups are being considered.

A board-certified neonatologist, Judith A. H. Gibbs, M.D., C.M., has joined the staff of The Allentown Hospital to assist in the coordination and implementation of the regional service.

Several other services affiliated with the Hospital will support this regional program, including Tay-Sachs Screening Service, Pediatric Cardiac Clinic, Metabolic Disease Screening, a child abuse program, state designated center for cleft palate, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Monitoring Program, the Lehigh Valley Poison Control Center and a Pediatric Cancer Treatment Program. Several of these programs are in conjunction with St. Christopher's Hospital and others with Children's Hospital, Philadelphia.

At a recent luncheon held at The Village Inn, Allentown, Hospital president, Darryl R. Lippman accepted PP&L's Energy Management Award on behalf of the hospital. Presented by Mr. Carl R. Maio, Vice President, Lehigh Division, Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, the award is designated for PP&L customers as an incentive for business and industry to conserve energy.

The Energy Management Award, first presented in 1975, is given when an organization has: 1) made a reduction in energy use, primarily in electricity; 2) achieved that reduction by permanent action; 3) made an ongoing commitment to energy conservation. In the past five years, the award has been given less than 20 times in the Lehigh Valley and The Allentown Hospital is only the second institution of its kind to receive it.

As a recipient of this award, the Allentown Hospital Engineering Department, under the direction of Robert Schryver, reduced energy expenditures by:

1) replacing lighting with more efficient energy systems;
2) adding insulation, including pipe insulation;
3) dropping ceilings, adding drapes;
4) installing an analyzing device on the boiler to assure top energy efficiency;
5) maintaining an ongoing preventative maintenance program to avoid gas and water leaks; and
6) establishing a new food distribution system, utilizing energy efficient procedures.

Moyer's Mushroom

Dr. Forrest Moyer, M.D., emeritus chief of Pediatrics here at The Allentown Hospital, recently won a $150 prize awarded by the National Wildlife Foundation for his shot of a cluster of mushrooms. Taken last summer near Greentown, the picture was also printed in the April-May issue of the federation's magazine, "National Wildlife," which has a circulation of 950,000. The winners, selected on the basis of originality, execution and composition were chosen from among 30,000 entries. "Dr. Moyer's shot was well-composed, well-lit, very sharp and the exposure was good," said Mark Wexler, senior editor of the magazine. "It's often hard to get a good focus on something that small." Dr. Moyer, an avid nature photographer, said he submitted other entries to the contest, but never won before.
Hats Off To...  

Junior Volunteers

The Junior Volunteers at The Allentown Hospital celebrated the completion of this year's service in two ways last month.

Hazel Kramer, Director of Volunteers, prepared a recognition reception at the School of Nursing for the 31 volunteers and their families. Darryl R. Lippman, president, addressed the guests and thanked the young people for their generosity of time and efforts.

Certificates of appreciation were presented to each youth having accumulated 100 hours or more. Three of the volunteers reached 1000 hours this year: Edward Mink, Celeste Gaydos, and Jane Cope.

Six received recognition for 250 hours: Tammy Seibert, Tina Seibert, Donna Fetter, Maria Giannelli, Beth Henderscheidt and Sherri Kohl. Those receiving certificates for 100 hours or more were: Michelle Anderson, Cheryl Bognar, Nadine Chaputa, Gael Feiller, Elizabeth Haggerty, Deanna Kehl, Debbie Kressley, Rose Malitisch, Kerrie Quinn, Melissa Repash, Peggy Spousier, Stephanie Stephen, Lori Tilton, Elise Wagner, Ellen Glazier, Alice Ritter, Sally Dreeh, Laurie Kratzter, Michele Yenser, Lori Yenser, Susan Casteliane, and Marilyn Stroh.

Together with 13 area hospitals and health care agencies, Allentown Hospital's Junior Volunteers participated in the second annual Dorney Park Day. Each institution sponsored its volunteers for three hours of free rides. Over 250 volunteers from the Lehigh Valley joined in this celebration.

Junior Aides

The Junior Aides have spent several months preparing for a round of fairs and festivals this summer. The Covered Bridge tour, the Ethnic Emmanuel Fair and The Allentown Fair are sites for the Junior Aides Snack Trailer. Our volunteers sell soft drinks, hot dogs, soda cones and coffee from the trailer while others sell freshly baked brownies and cakes and gooey carmel apples. Still other women, dressed as clowns, paint faces and sell balloons. It becomes many hours of standing, smiling and campaigning for Pediatrics. All the proceeds are used to buy items for Pediatrics and to plan other fundraisers, such as the fabulous concerts.

The last concert was a return engagement by Roger Williams at Muhlenberg College in May. Back by popular demand, "Mr. Piano" entertained the crowd with favorite pop hits, as well as jazz and classical. Other great concerts will be coming throughout the next year.

The Junior Aides are devoted to earning money for the Pediatrics Unit. Money is well-spent for life-saving equipment, for the services of our Play Therapist, for craft supplies and for anything needed to create a pleasant environment for the little people during their recovery.

Volunteers

The Allentown Hospital Volunteers were honored at a banquet held at the Lehigh Valley Club during National Volunteer Week, when Mr. Abram Samuels, a member of our Hospital Board of Directors and a noted Allentown pianist, entertained for the evening featuring "Songs of the Flapper Era." Over 150 hospital volunteers attended the enjoyable evening.

Morton I. Silverman, M.D., chairman, Board of Directors, and Darryl R. Lippman, Hospital president, attended the dinner and expressed their appreciation on behalf of the Hospital to the volunteers for their devoted year of service.

This year volunteers have donated more than 30,029 hours to The Allentown Hospital. If these hours were added to the payroll clock, more than $137,000 would be paid to our volunteers. It is not only the time and effort volunteers contribute to the Hospital, but the incredible good will and happiness that they bring to the patients and employees that is invaluable.
Electron Microscope Dedication At Lehigh University

Through the generosity of Sylvia Perkin of Macungie, Pa., Lehigh University and The Allentown Hospital have established the Perkin Electron Microscope Laboratory named in memory of Morris Perkin, her late husband. The laboratory was established to further medical research in the Lehigh Valley and will be made available to all Lehigh Valley area hospitals and physicians.

Cost of the new laboratory is $350,000 with Mrs. Perkin the major donor. Originally, the major gift was given to The Allentown Hospital for the purchase and establishment of an electron microscope service. With consideration to cost containment and the best possible use of the gift, an agreement was established between the Hospital and Lehigh to expand existing facilities on the University’s campus.

Additional funds were provided making possible the purchase of a Phillips EM 400 T Analytical Transmission Electron Microscope and the establishment of the facility which includes areas for specimen preparation, photographic capabilities, staff work space and storage areas. Other grants and gifts were received from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, National Science Foundation (NSF), and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Director of the laboratory will be David B. Williams, Ph.D., associate professor in the department of metallurgy and materials engineering at Lehigh, while Joseph I. Goldstein, D.Sc., assistant vice president for research at the University, will be associate director.

Clinical use of the facility will be supervised by Alexander Nedwich, M.D., chairman, department of pathology, The Allentown Hospital.

Mrs. Perkin's deed of gift also established a medical advisory committee for clinical use of the new laboratory. It includes Dr. Nedwich, David Prager, M.D., Henry E. Lehrich, M.D., and Herbert Hyman, M.D., all of Allentown Hospital. Other physicians will be appointed from time to time by the Lehigh Valley medical community.

"The electron microscope focuses on the internal structure of any material that you can slice thin enough," explained Dr. Nedwich. "Structures can be magnified up to 500,000 times as opposed to 1500 times, at best, for a conventional light microscope." A camera is built into the unit for recording the structural images.

As well as providing a visual image, the microscope includes a computer which analyzes the chemistry of the substance. In the medical arena, the scope will contribute to the research of industrial-related diseases, such as asbestos or lead poisoning, and in many areas, such as pathology, oncology, hematology, epidemiology and forensic medicine.

Sylvia Perkin and her family and friends, as well as University and Hospital officials, gathered for the dedication and to tour the facilities. During the ceremonies, major speakers were Darryl R. Lippman, president, The Allentown Hospital and Joseph F. Libsch, Ph.D., vice president for research, Lehigh University. Both cited Mrs. Perkin for her thoughtfulness in considering the future medical research needs of the Lehigh Valley.

The late Morris Perkin was born and raised in Allentown and practiced law here until his death in August, 1976. He was graduated from Allentown High School, Pennsylvania State University and the Harvard University School of Law. He was the inventor of the diary known as "Daytimers." Mr. and Mrs. Perkin were married in 1933. Their son, Andrew, his wife and two sons were present at the dedication ceremony in July.
“I Wanna Be

1980 Employee Recognition
Graduates of 1980

School of Nursing

Commencement exercises were held Friday, May 16, 1980, in the Lehigh Consistory Cathedral, Allentown, for the 59 graduates of The Allentown Hospital School of Nursing.

The Reverend Gerald R. Hertzog from the United Presbyterian Church, Bingham, New York, officiated at the ceremony. The School of Nursing has graduated over 3100 nurses since its inception in 1899 and has been a major source of nurses for the entire Lehigh Valley. Thirty four (61%) of the 59 graduates, two of whom are male, have accepted nursing positions in area hospitals, while 20 (54%) will be employed in other Pennsylvania cities. Only three of the graduates are relocating out of state.

The graduating class of 1980 sum up their feelings with their class motto: "Resolve to be tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant with the weak and wrong - sometime in life you have been all of these."

Our caps off to you!

School of Medical Technology

The 41st graduating class of The Allentown Hospital School of Medical Technology received their certificates during a commencement ceremony June 25. This culminated 51 weeks of intensive training for the eight students.

Members of the '79-'80 class are: Kathryn M. Hoderman, Allentown; Cynthia Varenick, Bethlehem; Clare M. Dismuke, Coopersburg; Jayne Dovin, Lake Ariel; Kim Nguyen, Pine Grove; Deborah A. Witman, Barto; and from New Jersey, Diane Hughes, Washington; and Norine A. Geddes, Phillipsburg.

Two awards were presented during graduation. Ms. Nguyen received the Outstanding Student Award for best all around interest and performance during the program. Norine A. Geddes received the award for highest academic performance during both lecture and laboratory segments of the year. Both awards are given by The Allentown Hospital Medical and Dental Staff.

This class also has the distinction of placing in the top ten during the 1980 Student Bowl competition for Schools of Medical Technology. Out of 27 teams, Dismuke, Hughes, Hoderman and Varenick proudly outlasted other area teams in the two-day competition in Harrisburg.
Weston Honored...

Kenneth R. Weston, M.D., one of Allentown's leading orthopedic surgeons for nearly half a century, was named Alumnus of the Year at the annual dinner program given for all residents completing their prescribed medical residencies. The Allentown Hospital was joined by Sacred Heart Hospital and the Allentown-Sacred Heart Hospital Center to sponsor the dinner.

A graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, Dr. Weston interned here in 1931 and 1932. He earned his Bachelor's degree in pre-medicine at Penn State, where he was captain of the 1926 Nittany Lion Football team. Partly due to his keen interest in athletics, Dr. Weston concentrated on athletic injuries and restoring vital joints injured by athletics.

As a Navy physician from 1940-6, Dr. Weston was awarded the Bronze Star. For the following twenty years, he held the position of Chief of Orthopedics here and was also head athletic physician for the Allentown School District. Today he is Chief Emeritus at The Allentown Hospital, still performing surgery and constantly checking on old and new patients each day. Along with his private practice, he is still chief athletic physician for the Allentown high schools.

Dr. Weston is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the International College of Surgeons and the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. In 1979, he received Allen High School's coveted Distinguished Alumnus Award, and most recently, Dr. Weston received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Penn State University.

Also honored at the event were Teachers of the Year from each of the three hospitals who were selected by the residents for their outstanding contribution to their medical education.

New Faces

Christine A. Messina

Christine A. Messina recently joined the management team at The Allentown Hospital as Director of Public Relations. She is responsible for the departments of medical photography, volunteers and patient representatives and is liaison for the Auxiliary and Junior Aides.

Ms. Messina initiated public relations programs at St. Louis University Hospitals, St. Louis and Southeast Missouri Hospital, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She served as Director of Special Events for the St. Louis University Medical Center and prior to that, was Assistant to the Director of the Medical Center News Bureau.

A native of New Jersey, Ms. Messina is "really impressed with the number of services The Allentown Hospital renders to the community" and plans to have an active role in community-related programs. Already Chris has accepted the invitation of the Lehigh Valley Hospice, Inc. to join its eight member public relations committee.

A St. Louis University graduate, Ms. Messina holds a bachelor of arts degree in communications. She is a member of Women in Communications, Inc., American Society of Hospital Public Relations and the Junior League of America.

Currently residing in Allentown, Ms. Messina enjoys reading and tennis in her spare time. She has also spent a good deal of time getting to know the "terrific, friendly people working throughout the Hospital." She encourages anyone with public relations ideas to call her at extension 2581.

Nutrition Service Offered

A new concept in nutritional care of patients was introduced in The Allentown Hospital this summer. The Nutritional Support Service, initiated on July 1, is a consultative service both here and at the Allentown-Sacred Heart Hospital Center.

The program, directed by Joseph Prorok, M.D., F.A.C.S., provides on-going education to physicians, nurses and housestaff on all aspects of patient nutritional support and protein calorie malnutrition.

This multidisciplinary team approach will provide a coordinated effort for diagnosing and treating malnourished patients, and organize a home patient support service.

This team consists of the Project Director; two physician-nutritionists, Larry Feldman, M.D., and Joseph Cardo, M.D.; a dietician, Judy Holaska, R.D.; a pharmacist, Christopher Rock, R. Ph.; and a registered nurse, Marlene Keck, R.N.

Anyone desiring further information from the team should call 821-2587 or 821-3282.
The Department of Pediatrics held an evening seminar on school phobias and other school related problems for area pediatricians, guidance counselors and child psychiatrists. Guest lecturers were Mark A. Foreman, M.D. and William H. Hetznecker, M.D., both from the Child Psychiatric Center, St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children.

Juvenile Diabetes Seminar was held on May 8 and 9. Over 120 staff members and employees attended the inservice. Open registration the second day attracted over 50 physicians, nursing personnel and families of juvenile diabetics from the Lehigh Valley area.

Pediatric Life Support, a conference for physicians, nurses, and paramedics, was a great success with standing room only on June 26 in the 2nd floor auditorium. Russell Puschak, M.D., led the program which presented new concepts in the advanced treatment of pediatric emergencies. Presenting from Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia were Stephen Ludwig, M.D., director, emergency department and Robert Kittick, M.D., associate director, pediatric intensive care unit.

Alexander Nedwich, M.D., and R. Bala Bansal, M.D., Pathology Department, spoke to the Berks County Association of Occupational Health Nurses regarding the use of the IBM Cell Separator and the pheresis program. The program was very well received by the membership.

Other Pathology Department sponsored programs have included Sheila Moriber Katz, M.D., associate professor of pathology at Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia lecturing on Rapidly Progressive Glomerulonephritis; Marie Valdez-Dapena, M.D., professor of pediatrics, University of Miami School of Medicine presented an evening seminar on iatrogenic Perinatal Disease at Holiday Inn East and Diane Halstead-McFarland, Ph.D., director, Microbiology and Immunology, The Allentown Hospital, presented the Clinical and Laboratory Aspects of Chlamydial Infections to over 30 staff members from area hospitals and public health offices.

The annual “Toxicology Symposium” was held at The Allentown Hospital by the Lehigh Valley Poison Center. Richard Moriarty, M.D., director of the National Poison Center Network and better known as the creator of Mr. Yuk, was the featured speaker. Most member hospitals were represented.

The Clinical Oncology Program (COP) presented their first CORE course to approximately 50 nurses from surrounding hospitals and health care agencies. The 57-hour course covered the nursing responsibilities in caring for cancer patients. September 23rd is the beginning of the second CORE course. COP expects another class of between 40 and 50 students for this session.

New Staff Members

Larry R. Glazerman, M.D., Associate Staff Obstetrics/Gynecology... was graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1972 with a bachelor of science degree and received his medical degree from Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, in 1976. Dr. Glazerman served both his internship from 1976-77 and his residency from 1977-78 here and also served as chief of the Obstetrics/Gynecology residency program from 1979-80. He has joined in private practice with Marshall Chafetz, M.D., in Allentown.

Douglas E. Johnson, M.D., Associate Staff, Nephrology... obtained his medical degree in 1972 from Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis. Dr. Johnson served his internship and partial residency at Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut from 1972-74 and completed his residency at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Dallas, in 1976. He is a native of Indianapolis.

Robert M. Luber, D.O., Courtesy Staff, Family Practice... is a graduate of Lehigh University. Dr. Luber was graduated from the College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia, in 1977. He served his Internship at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital from 1977-78. A native of Havertown, Pa., Dr. Luber practices at 2222 Allen Street, Allentown.

Joseph Pascal, M.D., Active Staff, Urology... was graduated from George Washington University, Washington D.C., in 1968 and from the University of Guadalajara Medical School, Mexico City, Mexico, in 1972. Dr. Pascal served his internship in New Brunswick, Canada at Moncton Hospital from 1972-73 and his residency in general surgery here at Allentown Hospital from 1973-75. He served his residency in urology at the State of New York University, Buffalo, from 1975-78. Dr. Pascal hails from New Jersey.

Paul S. Raphael, M.D., Associate Staff, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation... is a graduate of Cornell University, New York and traveled to Italy to obtain his medical degree from the University of Bologna in 1970. Dr. Raphael served his internship at Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch, New Jersey, from 1970-71 and his residency from the Jersey College of Medicine, Newark, from 1972-74 and University of Pennsylvania Hospital of Physical Therapy from 1974-76. He is a native of New York.

John G. Steciw, D.D.S., Active Staff... was graduated from Temple University Dental School, Philadelphia, in 1973. Dr. Steciw served his internship at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, from 1973-74 and the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, Philadelphia, from 1974-75. He served his residency from 1975-77 also at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Steciw’s practice is located in Macungie.
R. Bala Bansal, M.D., has successfully completed her examination for certification in Blood Banks and is now Board certified in Clinical and Anatomical Pathology in addition to the subspecialties of Hematology and Blood Bank.

Donald E. Barilla, M.D., Endocrinology, has become a fellow of the American College of Physicians.

Allen C. Bader, D.D.S., has been elected a director to the American Board of Orthodontics. The election was held at the American Orthodontics Board's annual meeting in New Orleans. Dr. Bader is the first area orthodontist to receive this honor, according to the Lehigh Valley Society of Orthodontists.

Thomas P. Englert, D.M.D., has been certified as a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Walter J. Finnegan, M.D., became a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons at ceremonies which took place at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta.

Joel M. Glickman, D.D.S., has received an award in recognition of his service to the College of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, the New Jersey Dental School. The award was given to Dr. Glickman as a postgraduate degree presentation recognizing Dr. Glickman's contribution as a member of the faculty since 1974.

Judith A. McDonald, M.D., has been certified as a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine.

Nicholas O. Prusack, D.D.S., has received notification of his certification by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial surgeons.

William M. Trachtenberg, M.D., has been named to the Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology and Otologyngology.

Benjamin Weinberger, D.M.D., chief of oral and maxillofacial surgery at The Allentown Hospital, has been installed as president of the Lehigh County Dental Society; also Thomas McKee, D.M.D., has been installed as vice president; George Kirchner, D.D.S., was installed as treasurer; Michael F. Lentz, D.D.S., as financial secretary; and Philip Tighe, D.D.S., as recording secretary.

Richard C. Bogert, Assistant Director of MH/MR Out-patient, has successfully passed the examination for Clinical Mental Health Counselor certification. Mr. Bogert is currently involved in the supervision of psychotherapy programs as well as program planning and administration.

Dolores M. Wehr, MH/MR, has been notified she has passed the National State examinations for a licensed clinical psychologist. Mrs. Wehr is currently involved in psychodiagnostic testing, individual and group therapy programs, consultations, and MH/MR Child Abuse Program.

A hearty welcome to new patient representatives ... Gail Ament, Gloria Grube, Jean Liebman, Sharon Stelts, Algene Wertman, and Marilyn Frank.

The Allentown Hospital Medical Explorer Post traveled to Philadelphia for their annual field trip. They toured Smith-Kline and French laboratories' manufacturing division where they saw drug items such as Contac and Sine-Off being pressed, coated, labeled, counted and packaged by automation. The afternoon stop was at the Mutter Museum at the College of Physicians. The museum houses the country's most extensive collection of pathological specimens & medical instruments.

Martin Talerico has recently been notified by the National Association of Social Workers that he has passed the examination for certification in social work with a specialization in clinical social work. Mr. Talerico joined that staff of the Neuropsychiatric Clinic, Mental Health/Mental Retardation at The Allentown Hospital, as a psychiatric social worker, where he now is involved in intake work, individual, group and family therapy, as well as administration and emergency service.

The Allentown Hospital Bowling League recently elected officers for the 1980-81 bowling season. Elected were Vanessa Taggart, accounts payable clerk, fiscal affairs, president; Bruce Grosser, proprietor, The Shoe Inn, Easton, vice-president; Donna Nonnamacher, R.N., private duty, secretary; and Bernie Potetz, L.P.N., nursing service, treasurer. League bowling will be held at the Parkway Bowling Lanes, 1501 Lehigh Street, Allentown on Monday evenings beginning September 8, 1980.

Anyone interested in joining in on the fun contact any member of the bowling league for more information.

Ladene M. Gross, R.N., instructor, medical surgical nursing, will assume the duties of coordinator in maternity nursing at The Allentown Hospital School of Nursing.

Formerly a nurse in intensive care, Linda L. Heister, R.N., will be an instructor in medical-surgical nursing at the School of Nursing.

Marjorie L. York, R.N., formerly a floater, will teach the fundamentals of nursing at the School of Nursing.

**Edmondson Retires After 42 Years Service**

Agnes P. Edmondson, R.N., former coordinator, maternity nursing at the Allentown Hospital School of Nursing, retired from her life-time profession this year after serving at the Hospital over 42 years.

Mrs. Edmondson began her career as a general staff nurse in 1938 after graduation from the Hospital School of Nursing. At that time nursing shifts had just changed from a twelve hour working day to eight hour shifts and the average rate of pay for registered nurses was $50 per month. Eventually she returned to school at Kutztown State College from 1952-1956 to earn her bachelor of science in education.

"Nursing is what you make it," reflected Mrs. Edmondson. "You either like it or you don't like it." According to Mrs. Edmondson, nursing has expanded greatly during the past 40 odd years. "There are many more career opportunities for nurses now; community health agencies, armed services, teaching positions. Nurses and doctors are more a health team today than before." Asked whether she would recommend nursing as a life-time profession to prospective nurses, she replied, "I think nursing will progress. I would recommend nursing as a profession to the average young woman if she likes to work with people." "But," added Mrs. Edmondson, "she has to like it."
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The Allentown Hospital acknowledges with deep appreciation the following contributions given to the Hospital during June & July, 1980.

Memorial Contributions

In memory of Jack McCarthy
Dr. & Mrs. Charles D. Schaeffer
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