

Hospital-Related Health Center Will Open in Quarryville Oct. 1

A site has been selected in Quarryville and renovations started toward an October 1 opening of a new health facility for Southern Lancaster County.

Under the direct supervision of the Lancaster General Hospital, the new clinic will be located at 1 E Fourth St., Quarryville, until recently the parsonage of the nearby United Church of Christ.

Renovations of the large two story brick structure were slated to begin this week.

The actual medical care will be dispensed by five young physicians under the direction of Dr. Henry Wentz.

The five physicians he will direct are Dr. John A. Wolgemuth, Dr. R. Clair Weaver, Dr. Rogers D. McLane, Dr. J. Kenneth Brubaker, and Dr. John W. Breneman. All five have completed their required training as medical doctors and are qualified to set up practice anywhere as physicians, Dr. Wentz emphasized this week.

But the five are participating in a special Lancaster General Hospital three year program for family doctors under the direction of Dr. Wentz and Dr. Nikitas J. Zervanos. The five have just completed the first year. They will spend the remaining two years, if they so choose, receiving further training at the hospital and practicing at the new Quarryville clinic.

When they begin at the clinic October 1, at least one of them will be on duty from 2 p.m. until 10 a.m. weekdays, with someone there on call on weekends.

Regular medical service now available in the Quarryville area will continue. This includes Dr. Robert Helm and Dr. Charles Bair, both M.D.'s, and Dr. Paul Herr, Osteopath, all practicing in Quarryville.

The program is being emphasized as a supplemental program to the health care now available in the area. Citizens currently are conducting a fund drive to help make the program available.

Two physicians serving the Quarryville area have died within the past year or so, causing what is considered to be an acute shortage of doctors in the area.

In addition, Dr. Bair, who is regarded as one of the leading proponents of the new plan, has been ill this summer and has announced that he is sharply



Members of the committee which has been working to improve medical care in Southern Lancaster County and leading a fund drive to bring better Health Care to the area are, left to right, front row: Mrs. Harold Stokes, Rawlinsville Area Women's Club; Mrs. Ernest Shaub, secretary, Lancaster County Farm Women Society; Mrs. Martin Greenleaf, Colerain Literary Society and Union Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Leroy Wenger, Community Action Program; second row, Lester H. Warfel, Quarryville Rotary Club; Clifford Holloway, Fulton Grange 66; John C. Hoffman, Quarryville Lions Club; P. Harold Freiberg, Tucquan Lions Club; back

row, Paul Gassert, Quarryville Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Russell C. Eroh, secretary, Solanco Ministers Fellowship, and Jesse Cutler, committee chairman. Committee members absent when the photo was taken at the new medical center site Monday are: George Brinley, committee finance chairman, Tucquan Lions Club; Rev. John R. Campion, Solanco Ministerial Fellowship; Mrs. Everett Kreider, local Farm Women Society; William Tucker Jr., Quarryville Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Harold Schaub, Holtwood Women's Association.

cutting back on the volume of service he will be able to give. He said that he is no longer handling maternity cases, has cut out morning hours, and is cutting down on outside calls.

Dr. Bair this week praised the new clinic as an important step in helping to meet the medical needs of Southern Lancaster County and said, "I think it's fortunate the medical schools are finally beginning to realize the importance of family practice."

He stated that while the new program will directly meet medical needs, he thinks the long-term benefit will be in inducing some of the young men

who serve at the clinic to remain in the Quarryville area full time later.

Dr. Bair also said he believes that while the Quarryville area now has only three doctors, it could use six, possibly seven.

But Dr. Wentz pointed out this week that, at least initially, he expects the clinic to be able to handle the equivalent of the load of only about one doctor. He emphasized, however, that the program is just getting started and will be flexible, with possibility of expansion in the future.

He pointed out, for instance, that additional young doctors will be entering the program next year and in future years, with the possibility of retaining the present five for another year.

The actual health program planned through the clinic involves rotating the five doctors, each serving approximately one full day a week at the clinic. Dr. Wentz himself will also be a resident physician practicing at the clinic. He will work closely with the five doctors, particularly during office hours.

In addition, the five will continue to attend conferences and receive additional training at Lancaster General and will have the facilities and staff of the hospital available to assist them.

In explaining the importance of the clinic to Lancaster General Hospital, Dr. Wentz said it will: simulate the private physician's office; educate and train the resident physicians in family medicine; alleviate some of the area's medical needs; encourage physicians to practice in rural areas; help innovate new methods of health care delivery and health care management.

Dr. Wentz pointed out that the concept of modern medicine is preventive medicine. "This implies a complete medical evaluation of disease to detect it early and prevent disease wherever possible."

Each doctor will take care of a specific number of families, (Continued on Page 23)



Dr. Charles Bair, long-time Quarryville physician, this week described the new Quarryville health center as a major step forward in meeting the health needs of Southern Lancaster County.

111 Progressive Parties Held

Some 111 progressive parties by the Fulton Grange 66 for the benefit of the Southern Lancaster County family health center have brought in \$1,581.58, it was reported this week.

George Brinley, treasurer of the health center fund, said total proceeds from all sources has reached \$4,420.16.

Progressive parties held through August 23 include: Mr. and Mrs. J. Ernest Nissley, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. J. Marlin Kreider, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gicker, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb M. Wenger, Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Neff, Mr. and Mrs. Claude F. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hershberger, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton E. Kreider, Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Keener, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin V. Shenk, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Metzler, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Best, Mr. and Mrs. R. Edwin Harnish, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graver, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Badger, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wade, Mr. and Mrs.

Carroll Baker, Mrs. Evelyn V. Burkins, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Akers, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ankrum, Mr. and Mrs. Allen R. Kreider, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kachel, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Rush, Mr. and Mrs. William Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Shirk, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Groff, Mr. and Mrs. George Reinhart, Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Graeff, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ammerman, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Boyce, Mrs. Freeda Huber, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Stauffer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holloway, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hohenwarter, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Probst, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Blevins, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Byers, Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Lefever, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Stumpf, Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Rineer, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Campbell.

There were also two donations to the fund amounting to \$40, the one being in memory of the late Mrs. W. Benjamin Myers by her friends and neighbors.