



People



Program officials

Pioneers and Mercy officials shown above seated left to right are: Shelia Stozenski, Mercy Auxiliary; Bill Cawley; and Julia Willia, Director of auxiliary volunteers at Mercy. Standing left to right: Ted Cromack, Edwin (Ted) Hughes, Willard Wilkens, JoAnne Dinoski, Joseph Youngblood, Owen Richards. Absent were Ed Glawe, Bill Weichbrecht, Audrey Oeller and Mark Kline.

Pioneers adjust system

Members of the Telephone Pioneers of America (retired Bell employees) have been busy over the last several months making service adjustments for individuals who subscribe to the Mercy Hospital "Heartline" Emergency Response System.

According to JoAnne Dinoski, coordinator of the Heartline Program, "The contribution of efforts

made by the pioneers have been very instrumental in the overall success of heartline, and are greatly appreciated by both the hospital and the subscribers as well."

Heartline is a personal emergency response system sponsored by the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary which allows elderly and disabled individuals to maintain their independent living. Subscribers receive a heartline communicator for their homes which has a portable "help" button which can be worn on clothing or

carried around the home in their pocket. In the event of physical problems or accident, the person can push the button which sends an electronic signal via telephone to Mercy's Emergency Unit where staff on duty will arrange for appropriate help, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

More information about Heartline can be obtained by contacting Mrs. Dinoski at 826-3158.



Project Instructors

Shown here are instructors in a newly-offered diabetes course at Mercy Hospital in Wilkes-Barre. From left, Sr. Ruth Ann Fox, RSM, Director of Social Services at Mercy; Marcella Leo, RN; and Marianne McAndrew, RN, Coordinator of the program.

Diabetes course offered

Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre, in conjunction with Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Department of Health

is participating in an Ambulatory Diabetes Teaching Program. Mercy Hospital has offered the program since 1984, but recently has been chosen as a reimbursement site for outpatient diabetes education services. Previously the training program was not covered by Blue Cross (a nominal fee was charged).

The program offers reimbursement to eligible health care providers for outpatient education of the chronic diabetic patient. To participate in the program diabetics have to meet certain criteria established by Blue Cross.

Mercy also has been chosen by the National Diabetes Advisory Board to participate in a pilot test of new uniform national standards which are designed to upgrade the quality and accessibility of Diabetes Patient Education.

Mercy's next outpatient diabetes education program will be conducted at the hospital during September. Instructors for the program will consist of Physicians, Nurses, Dietitians, Physical Therapists, Pharmacists and Social Workers. For more information contact the Mercy Hospital Education Department at 826-3686.



MARGO SWAN

Swan honored

Margo Swan, R.N., an instructor in Wilkes-Barre General's Education Department, was recently chosen as the hospital's "Extra Special person (ESP)" for the month of August. Mrs. Swan, a Sweet Valley resident, is a seven-year employee of General.

She was selected by fellow employees for being "extra-special" in her dual roles as instructor on 6 C-S medical-surgical nursing unit and as the hospital's certified enterostomal therapist.

General's "ESP" program recognizes one employee per month whose job performance and attitude are consistently outstanding.

Lockhart installed as Rotary Club president

Donald C. Lockhart, 105 Hamilton Road, Dallas was installed as President of the Dallas Rotary at the Club's annual installation dinner held at the Newberry Estate in Dallas.

Lockhart is Vice-President of Customer Services of Offset Paperback Manufacturers Incorporated of Dallas. He has served as a ruling Elder in the Trinity United Presbyterian Church, is Past Master of George M. Dallas Lodge Number 351, a member of Caldwell Consistory, and a member of the Clown Unit of Irem Temple.

Past District Governor Walter Mohr also installed Bernard Boback, Vice President, Duncan Whitehead, Secretary, James Alexander, Treasurer, and Richard Disque II as Director.



DONALD C. LOCKHART



Pledge presented

Dianne T. Corby, President of The Meadows Nursing Center's Auxiliary, recently presented a \$2,000 pledge card to Attorney Sol Lubin, EEI Board President and Campaign Co-Chairman, to support the Capital Gifts Campaign currently underway to install a combination Chapel-Meditation area on the first floor at the center in Dallas. The auxiliary pledged that amount to the center to purchase furnishings and accessories for the Chapel. The funds were mainly raised through a flea market sponsored by the auxiliary and held at the center in June. Ecumenical Enterprises, Inc., is the non-profit Corporation which owns and operates the 120 bed nursing and rehabilitation center. Standing, from left, Attorney Sol Lubin, EEI Board President & Campaign Co-Chairman; Dianne T. Corby, Auxiliary President; Raymond Condo, EEI Executive Director; Catherine Bolinski, Auxiliary Publicity Chairman & Flea Market Chairman.

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