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## MRS. KAY AND HER JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS



Junior Volunteer Susan Annino brings flowers to a lovely young patient on Robinson 5, with whom she is already fast friends. Ellen Doherty, R.N. shares in their pleasure.

University Hospital has a new director of Volunteer Services, Mrs. Ann Kay, who since her advent last summer has been quietly making herself familiar with the special needs of our teaching hospital, and earning herself a place in the affections of the volunteers of all ages who help to brighten the day for patients, and lighten the burden of professional staff.

The photographs on these pages are of three dedicated youngsters, who with a fourth, unable to be present for the *Front & Center* picture-taking, gave generously of their summer vacation days to carry out much-needed "chores" throughout the Hospital — chores which not only call for quick minds, willing hands and lively "legwork," but for emotional sensitivity and a developing awareness of the needs of others. This quartet — Sandy Mozden, Susan Annino, Susan Sidlauskas and Anne Cotter, all in their mid-teens, are representative of the "candystriper" or junior volunteer whose presence and whose contributions of time and heart mean so much to the hospital and the larger community which they are learning to serve.

Mrs. Kay has come to us with a rich background of related experience, a rare warmth of personality and the enthusiastic drive her job demands. A graduate

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Our magnificent new INSTRUCTIONAL BUILDING is the big news of Autumn, 1968, and the next issue of *Front & Center* will give it the "full treatment." Progress brings its own special pains, with the "oompah oompah" of the pile drivers, and the cables, construction pits and other obstructions to stumble over or find one's way around. Won't you send the editor your own special version of "work as usual" with "men at work"?



These happy guests of the Blood Bank's Open House in its new and luxurious MediCenter setting, are raiding the festive board prepared by Ida Malootian. L. to r.: Don Eastman, Abbott Laboratories representative; Joan Sher, Blood Bank secretary; Mary Martin, and Margaret Osthold, Blood Bank technicians.

## Open House for Blood Bank; New Quarters in MediCenter

On an afternoon in mid-summer the gleaming new quarters of the Hospital's Blood Bank on the third floor of the MediCenter were socially, if not officially, christened.

The hostess for the Open House, to which members of the House Staff and the administrative staff were invited, was Ida Malootian, Supervisor of Hematology and Blood Bank. If Miss Malootian, who has presented papers at hematology conferences in both American hemispheres and several continents, should ever switch professions, she might be well-advised to consider the catering business. A quick look at the inviting buffet table in the photograph above will give you the idea.

Ida admits to burning the midnight oil in preparation of the party "spread." "I got the potato salad ready the night before. Then there were sandwiches to make, and the piece de resistance — a huge watermelon filled with fresh fruit — to decorate and arrange." The dish of what looked like plums are actually enormous Greek olives, for which Ida

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Director of Volunteer Services Mrs. Ann Kay (the "candystriper" at the right) looks on while John Hitch, Mailroom, shows volunteer Anne Cotter "the ropes."

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### VOLUNTEERS (continued)

of Simmons School of Social Work, her most recent position before she joined us was as Director of Volunteer Services for the Robert Breck Brigham Hospital, Boston, where she also was responsible for the establishment of the hospital's gift shop. Always identified both personally and professionally with community organizations and community well-being from her student days on, Mrs. Kay speaks with particular enthusiasm of a two year period, 1958-1960, just before she and her family came to Boston, which she spent as organizer of the first Community Relations Program of the Emma Pendleton Bradley Hospital of Providence, Rhode Island. This hospital is for emotionally disturbed children, and Mrs. Kay's program was designed to interpret to the community the work of the professional staff of the hospital and the ways in which they helped their young patients.

Mrs. Kay's husband, Milton Kay, is Vice-President of the well-known Kay's-Newport shoe firm, a family-owned company. When his work brought him to Boston in 1960, both he and Mrs. Kay transferred their deep commitment to religious and community service to organizations here. They both serve in local civic and cultural organizations



Mrs. Ruth Obin, Outpatient Admitting Office Supervisor, finds an eager assistant in junior volunteer Susan Sidlauskas, who is quick to catch on to the system of filing for private ambulatory patients.

in Newton Centre, where they make their home. Of four children, an eleven year old daughter is still at home. "She keeps me on my toes," says Mrs. Kay. And as a personal sidelight on her marriage to a manufacturer of famous shoes, Mrs. Kay smiles: "People always look first at my feet."

Two of the four girls who formed the nucleus of the junior volunteer group this summer are daughters of members of our Medical Center "family," Dr. Peter Mozden and Joseph Annino. All are now firmly devoted to the Hospital's interests and plan to continue their services in the limited time possible for them during the course of a busy school year. Their assignments were varied during the summer months. They sorted mail, did filing in the Admitting Office of Talbot, delivered specimens to laboratories from the patient floors, and in some cases had the opportunity which they greatly enjoyed of working directly in the patient units, helping the nurses wherever they were needed.

Mrs. Kay has plans for a greatly expanded group of junior volunteers next summer, and is busy augmenting the devoted group of adult volunteers who have contributed so much to University Hospital on a year-round basis.

### Special Improvement Grant for Medical School

On July 18th of this past summer the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Public Health Service made it known through Drs. Lewis H. Rohrbach (B. U. Vice President for Medical Affairs) and Franklin G. Ebaugh, Jr. (Dean of the Medical School) that \$1,866,100. had been awarded to the school, as a "Special Improvement Grant," one of 23 awarded to medical schools.

The large grant, which will run for five years, will help the School as it increases the student body 33%, from the present 280 to 384 by 1971-72.

Among the vital improvements aided by this grant: planned faculty expansion; curriculum changes to include the introduction of new courses in Endocrinology and the Biology of Disease;

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### Six to Atlantic City

A highlight of the Annual Meeting of the American Hospital Association held in Atlantic City, September 16-19, most particularly for those who attended from our Hospital, was the Tuesday session, chaired by former University Hospital administrator Dr. Philip D. Bonnet, now Professor in the School of Hygiene and Public Health of Johns Hopkins University. The principal speaker of this session on "Delivery of Health Services in Urban Areas" was Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York.

UH Administrator Nelson Evans, accompanied by John Mullett, Jack Lewis, Gerald Borgal, David Calvert and Belle Cruikshank of our Hospital's administrative group, attended the Atlantic City meetings.

Anne Cotter and Susie Sidlauskas have brought a specimen bottle to the Urinalysis Laboratory, now located on Medical Center's third floor. Intelligent "legwork" is a great gift of our young volunteers. Below: Susie Annino checks in at Robinson 5 nursing station to see how she can help. With her are Linda Dumas, R.N., and Ward Clerk Mrs. Phyllis Warren.



## Orchids to Staff of Robinson Four

Florence Flores, Director of Nursing, recently received an appreciative letter from Eleanor E. Drummond, Associate Professor, Boston University School of Nursing, from which we quote:

"I would like to share with you some of my happy thoughts regarding the clinical experience my students in Junior year medical-surgical nursing have had at your hospital . . . This last academic year I worked with the students on Robinson 4. Many of your staff helped contribute to the students' learning. However, there are some in particular I wish to mention by name. Mrs. Carol Washington, the head nurse, was consistently helpful and maintained a superior appreciation of quality nursing care. She communicated freely with me and helped as an extension of me in maintaining high standards for the students. The two team leaders, Mrs. Karen Edgerly and Mr. Charles Libby were also most generous in the time and concern to help the students in their nursing practice and organization.

"I am so pleased with the type of learning experiences available in the Robinson 4 and the warmth of the staff that I have requested permission to return there this next academic year, 68-69 . . . Thank you again for your fine staff."

## Eleven Enroll in New Computer Course

Students of the third introductory digital computer course, given by the Medical Center under the direction of Dr. Charles K. Nagy, plunged into the mysteries of programming a digital computer on September 30.

The course, planned for those with no previous experience with computers consists of both lecture and work sessions. Two-hour classes every Monday afternoon will continue through December 16 and are being held on the third floor of Vose Hall. At the conclusion of the course each participant will get the chance to run his own programs on our IBM 1401 Computer.

Ten men and a woman have signed up for the fall course. They are Alice M. Fraser, Nursing; Carl Rosow, Pharmacology; Kevin Lynch, Gynecology; and Drs. Morris Davidson, Kidney; Ernest Ferris, Radiology; Richard Gala, Physiology; Mortimer Levy, Kidney; William McCabe, Adult Infectious Diseases; John F. O'Connor, Surgery; M. Z. Pimenidis, Orthodontics; and Jack Witenburg, X-Ray.



Above: Supervisor and Hostess Ida Malootian, at left in the rippling ruffles, chats with Open House guests Dr. Leon Edelstein, Dr. Jack Sholz, an unidentified guest, and Dr. Lalita Gandhiri. Below, left: May Young, R.N., IV nurse, at her beautiful new work bench, and right, taking blood from a donor, posed by MediCenter Secretary, Penny Debes.

### OPEN HOUSE FOR BLOOD BANK (cont.)

made a special trip to "that little Syrian place on Shawmut Avenue."

Guests at the Open House — who are still talking about the punch that accompanied the buffet — were guided through the new quarters of the Blood Bank and Hematology laboratories, which are as efficiently arranged as they are beautiful. The Blood Donor Room and working space for the IV (intravenous) nurses, the generous area for the newly-equipped laboratory work benches, a small office for Miss Malootian, provide greatly-improved working conditions for the important services of the Blood Bank and laboratories, formerly in rather cramped quarters on Evans 5. Despite a seeming isolation from the main hospital buildings, Miss Malootian and her staff are now even closer in point of time, and can give more effective service because of the rapid and uncrowded MediCenter elevators and the easy ac-

cessibility of the covered bridge across East Newton Street to Evans.

### MEDICAL SCHOOL GRANT (cont.)

clerkships in medicine and surgery into the third year and an increase of elective time in the fourth year from the current five months to an eight-month span; the establishment of a Department of Community Medicine; the purchase of urgently needed teaching equipment for our new classroom building, especially in biochemistry, physiology, anatomy, microbiology, pathology and pharmacology; the planned expansion of the new library.

In expressing his appreciation of this generous federal support, Dean Ebaugh said: "Our School was faced with a serious problem of how to fund the many new programs necessary to continue to train its students, attract the new faculty needed to meet the increase in our student body, meet salary commitments and purchase the teaching

tools required for our new school facility. We can now go forward to implement these advances."



## NEWS in brief

Football season coming up!

Home games of the Boston University Terrier eleven are scheduled for September 21, Colgate; October 5, Temple; October 19, Holy Cross Homecoming Game; November 25, Buffalo. A pair of free tickets may be picked up at the George Sherman Union for all of the home games (except Holy Cross, half-price) by all full time University employees.

Five away games will be played, and University family are urged to attend, although no price reduction will be in effect: September 28, Maine; October 12, Massachusetts; November 2, Connecticut; November 9, Rhode Island; November 16, Delaware. Tickets for Massachusetts and Delaware games are \$3.50, all other away games \$3.00.



Susan Farwell, a secretary for almost five years on Dr. John Byrne's office staff at Boston City Hospital, and well-known to all on Boston University's Third Surgical Service, is "going West" in October. She and a roommate with whom she has been sharing an old carriage house in Cambridge (they married off a third roommate last June) will head out Route 66 for Denver and new horizons, with a major emphasis on skiing the slopes of the Rockies that loom over the mile-high city. When the skiing season ends, Susan says she will begin to think of work, perhaps at the Medical Center in Denver.



Belle Cruikshank has been elected Treasurer of the Massachusetts Hospital Association Administrators' Secretaries, an active group of those who serve as "right hands" to hospital administrators throughout the Commonwealth.



Robert S. Galen, third year student of the School of Medicine, addressed the Fifth Annual President's Conference of the Student American Medical Association in Chicago in mid-August. His subject was the importance of student participation in medical meetings.

Galen practices what he preaches! As a high school sophomore in Cranford, New Jersey, he addressed the New Jersey Academy of Science. He has followed up this early lead by participating in numerous university scientific programs, preparing and delivering papers, and taking honors for scientific exhibits — notably a "first" in a national competition sponsored by S.A.M.A. and Squibb. His exhibit was later on display at an annual meeting of the American Medical Association.



John Ifft, Presidential Nominee of the National Laboratory Party, whose platform is "Motherhood, Science and Snoopy."

## "SHIFT TO IFFT!"

The National Laboratory Party, which currently exists only at the BUMC, nominated Dr. John Ifft of the Department of Anatomy as Presidential nominee on August 16, 1968. Shortly after the nomination, Dr. Ifft presented his acceptance speech in English, liberally strewn with Arabic, Hebrew and Persian.

Sue Wotiz, daughter of Dr. Herbert Wotiz of the Department of Biochemistry and a summer employee at the BUMC will continue as Dr. Ifft's campaign manager. Although a running mate has not yet been appointed, it appears to be a tie between Dr. William McNary, Director of the Student Labs, and Senator Edward McCarthy.

Bumper stickers and posters have been made available from the (nominal) campaign funds. Get yours at the Department of Anatomy in the Research Building, Room 323, or the Department of Biochemistry, Room 1003.

And remember to "Shift to Ifft." He stands for motherhood, science and Snoopy.

ED. NOTE: Front & Center is indebted to Mrs. Pat Powell Spier for this artful campaign propaganda supplied to her by Sue Wotiz and Mrs. Joyce Smith, who also inform us that "if elected, Dr. Ifft will devote his valuable time to run-

ning the country, although his current commitments to teaching and research will preclude any immediate campaigning."

## "BLUEBIRD SPECIAL" STARTS NEW RUN

A new bus service for the safe delivery of both mail and passengers between our Medical Center Campus and the Charles River Main Campus is scheduled to start its daily run on September 30. Departure point is the front of Building A, leaving at 12:30 p.m. and arriving at the Sherman Union Building at about 12:50 p.m. The return trip departs from the Sherman Union at 1:00 p.m., arriving back at our campus and Building A at about 1:20 p.m.

All Personnel who have business at either campus are invited to "come aboard." They are also advised that the driver, Kevin Aylward (see picture below of Mr. Aylward and the BLUEBIRD) has been instructed to adhere to a precise departure time from both locations . . . which doesn't mean approximately, it means "en punto."

Plant Superintendent Herbert Klein, in making this information known, has promised that, although the bus is primarily for the purpose of transporting Personnel from their parking lot to their place of work on the campus, "where possible and time permitting, further innovations will be made in utilizing the bus to provide better service to Medical Center Personnel." The trip to the Main Campus and back is certainly a drive in this direction!

During the trial-basis shuttle run, BLUEBIRD will be a closely-watched bus, to assure a successful service for all who wish to use it.

Bluebird Special skipper Kevin Aylward welcomes passengers aboard, on his East Newton street stop. He will convey Medical Center personnel on the new run to the Main Campus and return. Frank Hudson, of our plumbing and maintenance division, drives the Bluebird throughout the busy morning hours.

