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A BALANCING ACT--Sunny Hahn of the Devotion School in Brookline has her balance tested with the help of Shelly Goodgold, R.P.T., coordinator of the Hospital's Department of Rehabilitation. The student was one of a group of first-graders who took part in a tour of UH sponsored by the Aid Association.

around about UH

WEEKEND SHUTDOWN OF MBTA FAILS TO HALT ANY HOSPITAL SERVICE

The shutdown of the MBTA over the past weekend failed to limit any University Hospital service, according to Warren Kantrowitz, M.D., on-call administrator during that period. In fact, Kantrowitz says, the emergency that began with the shutdown of the T on Friday night, Dec. 5, "only proved once again how superbly this Hospital's employees come through in an emergency."

There were no bus or subway services from midnight Friday until Saturday night. Kantrowitz said that a few employees were not able to get home early Saturday morning, and "only a handful" could not make it in to the Hospital Saturday, Dec. 6. Kantrowitz met Saturday morning with supervisors and managers in all parts of the Hospital and says he was "tremendously impressed with the excellent planning that had already been carried out." Staff members in all departments had made a number of contingency for forming carpools and providing coverage for all positions.

An example of the outstanding planning and extra effort that characterized the employees' response to the transit crisis was in the Dietary Department, where a number of staffers depend upon MBTA services. John Tolleson, dietary director, assisted by Leslie Delory, Shola Idowu and Ken Hansen, coordinated an employee pick-up program, while Joan Czarnowski drove around, picking up employees.

Kantrowitz sums up his opinion of the situation this way: "The loyalty of all of our staff was outstanding. There was no limitation or interruption of any of our services. I congratulate them all."

SKI WEEKEND DEADLINE EXTENDED

Due to the overwhelming response to the Sugarbush Ski Weekend, the deadline for registration has been extended to Friday, Dec. 12, so that those who have yet to sign up can do so.

The trip to Sugarbush Valley, Vt., is scheduled for Feb. 6 through 8.

The cost for the UH ski trip will be \$110, including tax and service charges. It will include round-trip transportation via motor coach from the Hospital, accommodations for two nights at the Middle Earth or Unihab condominiums, unlimited use of all lifts for two days and a complimentary beginner's ski orientation.

Employees interested in the Sugarbush Ski Weekend should contact Irene Bradford in the Personnel Office, T-1, x5380.

RESPIRATORY CARE CENTER TO OPEN JAN. 5 AT UH

The Hospital will open a Respiratory Care Center, to be located on F-3, on Monday, Jan. 5, according to Barry Make, M.D., pulmonary specialist and medical director of the new Center. The Center's goal is to rehabilitate patients who are now dependent upon chronic mechanical ventilation, many of whom have been virtually ignored, Make said. Until now, patients requiring chronic mechanical ventilation have been placed on non-acute care hospital floors or placed in chronic-care institutions because of the lack of adequate equipment, facilities, and necessary staff to rehabilitate them.

The situation has changed with the development of a small portable ventilator that can be mounted on a wheelchair for maximum patient mobility, Make said. The Center will be staffed by a team of physicians, nurses, dieticians, social workers and physical, respiratory and occupational therapists. They will teach patients and their families the techniques of medical care of the respiratory tract, work to improve the musculoskeletal strength of the patient, improve the patient's diet and encourage the

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patient to become more independent and reestablish family relationships.

Research and clinical efforts for the new Center were headed by Jerome Brody, M.D., chief of the Hospital's Pulmonary Medicine Section, and Gordon Snider, M.D., UH pulmonary specialist.

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THREE TO RECEIVE HUMPHREY AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT LUNCHEON, DEC. 17

Boston University School of Medicine's Hubert H. Humphrey Cancer Research Center will present its second annual awards at a luncheon Wednesday, Dec. 17, in the Great Hall at Quincy Market in Faneuil Hall Marketplace.

The three recipients of this year's awards are: Sen. Birch Bayh (D.Ind.), who will accept the award, to be given posthumously to his wife, Marvella; Mary Lasker, a medical philanthropist and leader in the cancer-research effort in the United States, and George Thorn, M.D., a member of the School of Medicine's Board of Visitors who has worked extensively on the use of cortisone-related compounds in treating cancer.

The awards are given to honor persons who have helped to further the public's understanding of cancer or to advance treatment of the disease. The first recipient of the award was former Minnesota Senator Muriel Humphrey, who was presented the award last October at formal ceremonies dedicating the Cancer Research Center to her husband, the late Minnesota senator and 38th Vice President of the United States.

The Cancer Research Center was formed at Boston University School of Medicine in 1974 as a result of the work of a core group of eight faculty members with an interest in cancer. In late 1978, the Center was named in honor of Hubert H. Humphrey to recognize "the profound impact Senator Humphrey's courageous battle with cancer had on this nation," according to Boston University President John R. Silber, Ph.D.

FLORES NAMED 'WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT' BY PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

Florence Flores, R.N., former director of nursing services at UH and director of the former Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals School of Nursing, has been named the 1980 "Woman of Achievement" by the Milford (N.H.) Area Business and Professional Women's Club. Flores received a 125th Anniversary Award from UH at the Hospital's Third Annual Gala Benefit Evening last May.

Flores, retired since 1968, now lives in Amherst, N.H., where she is active in a number of community activities. A member of the Embroiderers' Guild of Boston, Flores was one of six women selected by the Museum of Fine Arts to duplicate the worn chair seats on six 17th century side chairs. The seat that Flores completed is now on display in the American wing of the Museum. Flores also is the first woman moderator of the Amherst Congregational Church.

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STEDMAN OFFERS GUIDELINES FOR PREVENTING HOLIDAY THEFT

Edwin Stedman, UH security director, warns that the "good will of many people during the holiday season is sometimes subverted by a few." To prevent or lessen the possibility of theft during the holiday shopping season, Stedman suggests the following guidelines for UH employees:

- Avoid carrying holiday shopping money during the workday. Cash checks after work or go home to get money before shopping.
- Don't leave valuable articles in your car or at work. Thieves will not hesitate to open a car trunk, especially in a parking lot or garage.
- Be wary of panhandlers despite the tradition of holiday charity.
- Stay alert in large crowds, especially in department stores, subways and on crowded streets.
- If your wallet or handbag, containing

identification cards, is stolen, beware of further thefts at home.

--Don't overindulge in alcohol at holiday parties. When you are less alert, you are more likely to become a victim of a pickpocket.

MAINTENANCE DEPT. ISSUES REMINDER ON HOLIDAY DECORATION SAFETY

Employees planning to put up holiday decorations in the Hospital are reminded that the Boston Fire Department has strict regulations regarding such decorations, and that these regulations will be strictly enforced at UH, according to Al Busa, director of Maintenance. Busa said that personnel from his department have been instructed to remove any unsafe decorations.

Specifically banned are flammable decorations, lights on Christmas trees, and obstructions in hallways. Artificial, flame-proof trees may only be used with a certificate of approval from the Boston Fire Department's Fire Prevention Division.

SARGENT CAMP TO OFFER CROSS-COUNTRY WORKSHOPS

Boston University's Sargent Camp in Petersborough, N.H., will conduct a series of cross-country ski workshops this winter for individuals with little or no experience in ski touring. The workshops will be held Jan. 17-18, Jan. 24-25, Jan. 31-Feb. 1, and March 7-8. The \$60 registration fee includes instruction, equipment, lodging and all meals. Boston University faculty, staff and students receive a 10 percent discount on the package. For more information and reservations, call 353-3202.

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