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a publication for the people of University Hospital



*Voices lifted in song-- Vernon Truell, chief pathology assistant at BUSM, directs Medical Center carollers as they rehearse in the Hospital's Interfaith Chapel. The carollers later sang for patients and employees throughout the Hospital. See story inside. (Photo by Domenic Scrceni)*

## Seven UH employees win bonus checks for referring friends to jobs at UH

Seven UH employees have received bonus checks for taking part in the Hospital's Employee Referral Program. Ronald Lacombe and Natalie Dodson, Unit Management; Lisa Seibert and Francesco Velazquez, M.D., Laboratory Medicine; Michael Hatchett, Dietary; Cindy Mangene, Cardiology; and Kevin McGinness, Respiratory Medicine, qualified for their checks by referring candidates for employment openings within the Hospital. The candidates were hired and remained on the payroll for at least 120 days, making the seven employees eligible for the cash bonuses.

A complete list of Employee Referral program rules is available from the UH Personnel Department on the first floor of the Talbot Building, and from the Nursing Employment Office on the third floor of Vose Hall.

## Medical Center carollers spread holiday cheer throughout UH

Chief Pathology Assistant Vernon S. Truell, who directed Medical Center carollers this past holiday season, thanks those hospital employees who gave their time to spread Christmas cheer to patients and employees.

The carollers performed on several occasions throughout the holiday season, including an hour-long concert that was broadcast on the Hospital's in-house television channel. They also sang Christmas carols on all of the Hospital's patient floors on Tuesday, December 23.

The Medical Center carollers were: Orville Rodgers, Section of Arthritis; Ed Artiano, Plant Services; Walter Clayton, Stock Room; Georgia Jones, Telecommunications; Joan Metcalf, Pastoral Care and Education; Paulette Fontaine, Laboratory Medicine; Barbara Kirkpatrick, Section of Hypertension; Stephanie Godon, Nursing; Karen Rasmussen, Patient Financial Services; Judy Linkenhoker, Evans Medical Group; Jeanne Scammel-Mallory, Hematopath at Boston City Hospital; Julianne Clawson, pathology; and Gigi Velasco, Cardiology. Organ accompaniment was provided by Christian Haudenschild, Cardiology Research. Esther McNeil of Purchasing served as Truell's assistant.

## Employee Training and Development to offer refresher course in grammar

English Grammar Refresher, a 20-hour course open to all Hospital employees, will be offered on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 to 3 p.m., beginning January 26. The program will run

until April 7.

The course will cover the basics of written and spoken English, beginning with the parts of speech and will cover such topics as subject-verb agreement, correct pronoun choice, and adverb/adjective confusion. Punctuation will not be included.

According to Employee Trainer Lynn Gaertner, who will teach the course, regular homework assignments, quizzes and a final test will be given to encourage participants to keep up with the material. Gaertner promises to make the subject interesting and palatable, and she extends a special invitation to employees who hated English classes in school. Native as well as non-native English speakers will find the course useful.

The textbook needed for the course, "Business English: A Complete Guide to Developing an Effective Writing Style," will be provided by UH Training and Development. For further information, or to request a course enrollment form, please call x8576.

## Spanish classes for medical personnel are free to all employees at BUMC

Boston University School of Medicine is offering Spanish classes for medical personnel. These classes are free of charge for BUMC employees. The new semester will start on Monday, January 5.

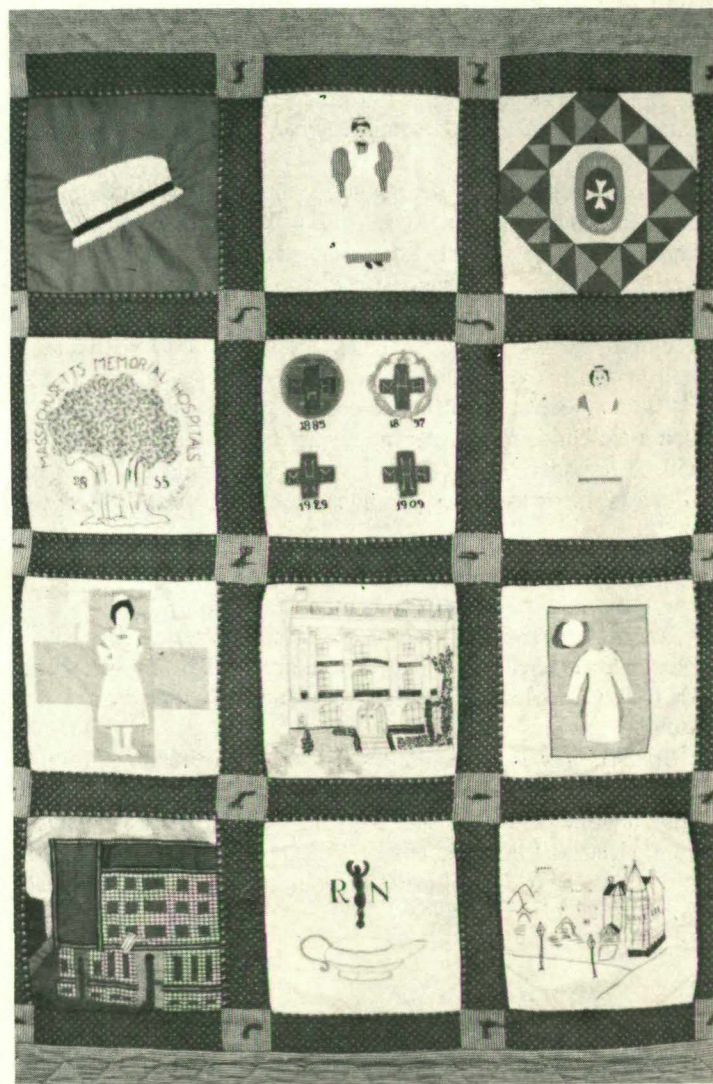
Spanish classes for beginners will meet on Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Intermediate to advanced classes will meet on Mondays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and on Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Classes will meet in room 303 of the Instructional Building.

## City Books for Sale at Personnel Office

A limited number of "City Books" currently are available on a first-come, first-served basis from the UH Personnel Office. The Books, which cost 55 cents apiece, contain coupons for discounts at a variety of area restaurants and stores. The Personnel Office is located on the first floor of the Talbot Building.

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**Quilt in Preston Family Building lobby illustrates history of Nurses Association**

Hospital employees and visitors to the Preston Family Building probably have noticed the quilt hanging in the building's lobby. The quilt, which recently was donated by the Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals Nurses Alumnae Association, was made by Association members.

The University Hospital, which previously was known as Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals, established a School of

Nursing in 1885. Although the School closed in 1965, members of the School's Alumnae Association continue to actively support the Hospital.

**A patchwork of history**

Each square in the quilt, pictured at left, represents a period in the Association's history. The patchwork squares, from left to right, from the top row down, represent:

- Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals (MMH) nurse's cap (sewed by Ruth Quinn Taylor, '54)
- Student uniform of 1896 (Dorothy Perkins Quimby, '53)
- World War II cadet patch (Doris Batchelder Peterson, '45)
- MMH seal (Barbara Regan Whitman, '54)
- Homeopathic and MMH nurses pins (Ruth Wheeler Cummings, '43, Marjorie Wheeler Gardiner, '55)
- Hospital for women and children student uniform (Dorothy Perkins Quimby, '53)
- Student nurses uniform of 1951 (Florence Flores, director of nursing from 1946-1968)
- Vose Hall (Roberta Yeo Ryder, '42)
- Graduate nurse uniform (Ruth Ingargiola Snell, '49)
- Massachusetts Memorial Hospitals (Ethelyn Quimby Fowler, '61)
- Florence Nightingale lamp (Ruth Wheeler Cummings, '43)
- Talbot Building (Maxine Allen Clawson, '59)



*Party time-- Hospital employees gather for food, music and good times at the University Hospital's recent Christmas party. (Photo by David Keough)*

**UH employees invited to take part in Boston City Hospital exercise classes**

Employees of the University Hospital are invited to take part in exercise classes sponsored by the Training and Development Office of Boston City Hospital. These classes take place during at Boston City Hospital.

Classes in aerobics include a thorough warm-up, choreographed running and jumping routines, and strengthening and muscle-toning exercises. These classes take place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from noon to one p.m. in the South Block gymnasium. Participants may choose to take two or three classes per week.

Stretch-and-Tone classes provide a challenging workout designed to help participants acquire new flexibility and strength. These classes take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to one p.m. in the South Block gymnasium.

Yoga classes are designed to help participants relax and re-energize. Yoga classes are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, from one to two p.m., in the piano lounge near the gymnasium.

All classes began the week of Monday, January 5. The cost for two classes per week for eight weeks is \$48. For three classes per week for eight weeks, the cost is \$69. The drop-in rate for each class is \$4. Tuition should be paid at the beginning of the term, but costs will be pro-rated for anyone joining later in the term. All checks should be made out to Mindy Leviton, instructor. For further information, please call Leviton at 232-9334.

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**Free series of programs** on smoking, diet and exercise, offered by Roxbury Comprehensive Community Health Center through a grant from the Department of Public Health. For more information, please call Program Manager Tim McKnight at 442-7400, x245.

**For rent:** Two-bedroom condominium, on Fort Ave. in Boston. For more information please call Gladwyn at x8200.

**For rent:** Two-bedroom apartment in South Boston. Large eat-in kitchen, large yard, washer/dryer hookup. Ten minutes to UH by car, short bus ride to the Broadway Shuttle. \$600 per month. For more information, please call Mary at 269-4027.