

# Quick, Sure Officer Saves Boy ... at Hospital's Door

Saving lives inside Duke Hospital is something that happens every day.

Saving a life on the sidewalk out in front of the hospital isn't quite so common.

And when the person credited with saving the life is a Duke divinity student working as a hospital security guard, that adds an unusual element.

But that's what happened about noon on Wednesday, June 25, when Mrs. Cherry Cooper and her brother from Murrells Inlet, S. C., pulled up in front of the hospital with Mrs. Cooper's son, Charles, in the back seat.

Charles, or Charley as he's called, is 10 and has been a kidney dialysis patient here since February. His physician, Dr. Ronald Krueger, said that Charley's kidneys had to be removed in April to control high blood pressure and that he's awaiting a kidney transplant.

Charley's family makes the 10-hour roundtrip from their home

south of Myrtle Beach twice a week, on Mondays and Thursdays, so the dialysis machine can cleanse his blood the way the kidneys in a healthy person do.

That last week in June, Mrs. Cooper said Charley got sick and they were bringing him to Duke a day earlier than his scheduled Thursday visit.

When they pulled up in front of the hospital and Mrs. Cooper's brother went to get a wheelchair, the youngster blacked out in the back seat, perhaps as result of a convulsion.

Mrs. Cooper was leaning over the seat trying to revive him when Security Guard Martha Anne Fairchild stepped up to see if she could help.

After taking a look at the child and sensing that some quick action had to be taken, Ms. Fairchild instructed Mrs. Cooper to help her get Charley out of the car.

They stretched him out on the

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THEY MET ON THE SIDEWALK—Ten-year old Charley Cooper owes his life to Duke Security Guard Martha Anne Fairchild, whose quick thinking pulled him out of a crisis in front of the hospital one day last month. Charley is a kidney dialysis patient here. (Photo by David Williamson)



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### Public Health Service Grants \$1.5 Million

## Program Will Train Cancer Virus Students

The U. S. Public Health Service has awarded Duke a \$1.5 million grant to train cancer virus specialists.

Supervising the five-year training program will be Dr. Wolfgang K. Joklik, James B. Duke professor of microbiology and immunology and

director of basic research for the Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Studying tumor viruses, Joklik explained, is "a short cut to discovering the basic cause of cancer; thus, it's a short cut to a cure for cancer."

Viruses are known to be cancer-causing in animals, he said, "and there's no reason why they shouldn't be cancer-causing in man."

The professor said most of the grant will be used to pay tuition and living expenses of trainees accepted into the program. Those with bachelor's or master's degrees will receive almost \$3,000 yearly for tuition and \$3,900 each year for

living expenses. Trainees who already have their M.D. or Ph.D. degrees will get \$10,800 stipends yearly.

The participants will work under 19 Duke faculty members engaged in cancer virus research. Predoctoral trainees will spend three semesters studying virology, molecular and cell biology, immunology, genetics and pathobiology. Next, if they pass a

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OPENING DAY—The new Third West Annex opened Monday on the second floor of the Hilton on Erwin Road. Planning sessions started early that first day for, left to right, RN Susie McClanahan, Head Nurse Joy Stull, Supervisor Verna Sticht and Assistant Head Nurse Suzy Alitto. (Photo by Margaret Howell)

## New Third West Annex Supports Family Therapy

The Department of Psychiatry has announced the establishment of an annex to the hospital's Third West ward, designed for patients who require some inpatient care, but who are at the same time able to meet most of their own personal needs.

The annex, which opened on Monday, is located on the second floor of the Hilton Inn on Erwin Road.

According to Joy Stull, head nurse on Third West, the unit will have at least one registered nurse trained in psychiatry on duty at all times.

This nurse, she said, will dispense medications and be available to help with special problems that arise.

Ms. Stull said that one of the primary functions of the annex will be family therapy. Several members of a single family, such as a husband and wife or a patient and child, may

live on the ward at the same time. Generally, one individual will be a patient and the other will be learning how to tailor his or her own behavior to lessen the chance that the patient will need further therapy.

Members of a single family may or may not live in the same room.

Patients will visit the medical center each day to see their physicians, and several evenings a week they will be involved in group therapy sessions at the annex.

Many will be free to go into town unaccompanied whenever they wish or to use swimming, tennis and golf facilities on the campus, the head nurse said.

The day unit, located on the third floor of the hospital's blue zone, will also be open to annex patients for group therapy or indoor recreation.