Institute, private citizens join forces against cancer

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The structure's top level houses the B. Everett Jordan Ward, a 20-room inpatient unit for patients getting protocol treatments. All of the 22 registered nurses on the ward have had extra training in cancer patient care.

"These nurses have been selected because of their ability to be supportive and to give excellent care," head nurse Brenda Corley said. "Being told you have cancer is a crisis in the life of the patient and the patient's family, and we can help."

An oncology social worker and recreation therapists also help Morris Building patients and their families.

Research studies

More than 40 research studies are under way in the building. Among other studies, specialists are:

1) combining microwave heat and Xray therapy against cancerous tumors on or just below the skin,

2) fighting cancer of the ovary by boosting patients' natural defenses and, at the same time, giving them anticancer drugs,

3) developing blood tests for recurrent breast cancer,

4) using chromosome tests to diagnose leukemia and allow prompt decisions on treatment.

5) testing combinations of drugs plus radiation therapy against brain tumors,

6) looking for ways to treat childhood leukemias more effectively,

7) comparing two combinations of drugs against cancer of the colon and rectum,

8) using a new drug against advanced breast cancer.



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9) treating advanced prostate cancer with a five-drug combination,

10) combining pre-operative radiation plus surgery for bladder cancer.

11) treating head and neck tumors with a four-drug combination, and

12) fighting one type of leukemia with a combination of four drugs.

\$1.4 million in private donations While the National Cancer Institute footed most of the bill for the Morris Building, private individuals and groups

contributed \$1.4 million.

Morris gave the center \$1 million in December 1976. Twenty-two other groups and individuals made contributions of \$10,000 or more each.

Charlotte — Carolina Freight Carriers Corporation

Concord - Mrs. Samuel I. Parker and Mrs. Arthur Moss

Durham - Pat Downey Joklik and family, Dr. Wolfgang Joklik

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High Point - Joseph Hutchens Kingsport, Tennessee - Kathryn and Thomas LaGuardia Jr.

Lexington - Kathleen and A. Starling Johnson Sr.

Lumberton - William D. Linkhaw Palatka, Florida — Hal L. Jones Sanford - William E. Horner Sr. and family, Edward M. Williams

Saxapahaw — B. Everett Jordan family Tryon - citizens of Tryon

Swanson to tackle long-range plans in new post Louis E. Swanson, director of the

Medical Center Planning Office for the past 18 years, has been named to a new position as director of facilities programming.

He will be more directly responsible for developing an updated long-range physical facilities plan for the medical center, and he will work with Dr. Jane Elchlepp, assistant vice president for health affairs — planning and analysis, in space inventory and management.

Elchlepp, who announced Swanson's move to his new position, said that the directorship of facilities design has been assumed by Larry D. Nelson, who also is co-director of the Duke Hospital North Design and Construction Control Office.

She said Swanson will review project proposals, making sure that program

descriptions are complete and compatible with long-range planning goals, and hospital administration. transmit them to the Planning Office for

implementation. Swanson received a bachelor's degree in business administration at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn., and earned a certificate in hospital administration at Duke. He holds a Duke faculty

appointment as associate professor of

Prior to becoming director of planning in 1960, Swanson was assistant administrative director of Duke Hospital.

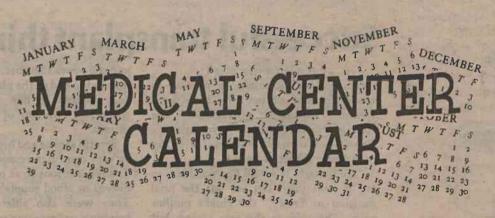
His new quarters are in the basement of the hospital (yellow zone) in the area previously occupied by Radiation Therapy

Professional news

Dr. Lawrence Myers, assistant professor of community and family medicine, presented a paper entitled "A Markov Chain Model for Prostate Cancer" at the annual meeting of the American Statistical Association Aug. 15 in San Diego. Co-authors were Drs. David F. Paulson, William Berry, Edwin B. Cox, John Laszlo and Wilma Stanley

Dr. Daniel B. Menzel, associate professor of pharmacology and medicine, was one of six scientists from the Triangle area who recently served on an Environmental Protection Agency panel studying nitrogen oxide. Their advice will be used in formulating national air pollution control standards.

Marilyn MacQueen, supervisor of the Duke-VA Transplant Lab, received the Upjohn/SEOPF (South-Eastern Organ Procurement Foundation) Award for her work as a member of the histocompatibility committee and as associate editor of the SEOPF Newsletter. The Upjohn Co., a pharmaceutical firm, cosponsors the award. MacQueen has been named councillor-at-large and editor of the newsletter for the American Association of Clinical Histocompatibility Testing.



Sept. 15-22, 1978

The Medical Center Calendar lists lectures, symposia and other activities of interest to faculty, staff and students. Notices should be sent to Box 3354 no later than one week prior to publication. If last minute scheduling makes it impossible to send a written notice in time, please call 684-4148.

Friday, Sept. 15

12:45 p.m.

Biochemistry and Genetics Joint Seminar. Dr. Sharyn Endow, Dept. of Microbiology and Immunology, "Preferential Replication of Specific Ribosomal Gene Repeats in Plytene Nuclei of Drosophila," Rm 147, Nanaline H. Duke Bldg. Coffee at

1 p.m.

Network for Continuing Medical Education (NCME). Program on "Influenza Vaccination, Two Points of View: Heparin Full-Dose Therapy and Heparin Mini-Dose Therapy." View in Rm M406 at Duke and Rms D3008, C6002 and C7002 and Bldg. 16 at the VA Hospital. (Previous NCME programs have been catalogued in the Medical Center Library and are available

Monday, Sept. 18

12 noon

Pathology Research Conference. Dr. Phillip Pratt, professor, "Statistical Data from the ECMO Study," Rm M204.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

7:30 p.m.

Triangle Clinical Microbiologists. Dr. Malcolm H. Rourk Jr., assistant professor of pediatrics, will discuss the relevance of respiratory cultures in cystic fibrosis, Rm M312. (Open to all interested medical technologists and students.)

Wednesday, Sept. 20

8:30 a.m.

Sigma Theta Tau coffee, Board Rm.

1 p.m. NCME. Program on "Abnormalities of Ovulation: Reaching Diagnosis." See Fri., Sept. 15, for viewing areas.

, Thursday, Sept. 21 10 a.m.

Special Pathology Research Conference. Dr. Krzysztof Kizawczynski, associate professor and head of Pathomorphology Lab, National Institute of Hygiene, Warsaw, Poland, "Immunomorphology of the Humoral Clearance of Hepatitis B Virus Antigenic Material," Rm M204.