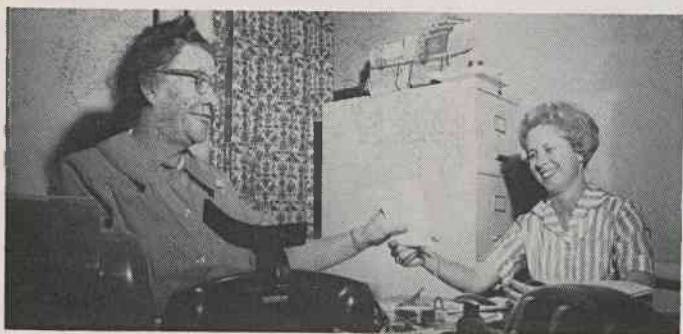




To work behind the Auxiliary coffee counters, you must be: a mathematician, an interpreter of many dialects, a person who doesn't mind standing, able to work with and around others, and of an extraordinarily good disposition!



Mrs. Nancy Craven (left), Auxiliary office manager, and Mrs. Betty Leach, Auxiliary president, find that management of Auxiliary affairs calls for a good bit of record-keeping. All is not easy in the world of management, but Mrs. Craven and Mrs. Leach make the work look deceptively easy with their good-humored smiles.



Library carts provide books for the bedridden. It is truly an act of service to push these heavy carts into and out of elevators, as well as around corners, I. V. poles, wheelchairs, and distracted hallway "pedestrians"!

Mrs. Mary Daugherty, administrative secretary for the Hospital Auxiliary, may be seen in one of several places throughout the day checking to make sure that "all things Auxiliary" are kept running smoothly.



(Duke photos by McKee)

ACCOLADE

by GEORGE KANTNER

A most deserving organization—THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF DUKE HOSPITAL—receives our accolade this month.

We see them at work every day; and, like many loyal and faithful members of the Medical Center family, the size and scope of their service to the patients and staff of the Hospital is not fully realized. This brief summary should be helpful to all of us in learning something about the ladies in the 'cherry red' smocks.

Organized in 1950 with the mission of interpreting the Hospital service to the community, the Auxiliary has a membership numbering about two hundred and fifty persons.

By operating two snack bars, the group provides a much needed source of nourishment to both visitors and employees. To the patients in the wards they bring books, magazines, and an assortment of sundry items by means of shop carts. This service means a great deal to those confined to hospital beds.

The friendly assistance in the form of reception, information, and guide service in the Outpatient Department is extremely helpful in making the stranger feel a bit more at ease upon entering the maze of corridors and clinics which confront him upon arrival. The small-fry patients receive attention in the form of games and other items attractive to children.

The Junior Volunteer Program, better known as the Candy-Striper Program, brings about a hundred young ladies between the ages of 14 and 18 to help out in the clinic and ward areas each summer. This program offers the youngster a splendid opportunity to learn to work with a group and to give part of her time for the benefit of others.

Any financial success realized by the Auxiliary enterprises is returned to the Hospital in many ways. These include: murals and furniture for the Pediatric Clinic, furniture for the sun porch, special equipment items for Nursing Service, the decoration of the Main Lobby, and TV sets for eight public wards. This listing could continue but will end with the revelation that the Auxiliary has also set aside a sizable amount of funds for the construction of a Hospital Chapel, which is to be constructed in the near future.

This is our Auxiliary—giving freely of its time and talents—for the benefit of the Hospital. The members have earned more than an accolade—how about a standing ovation!