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Civitan Building To Be Dedicated

Duke University's Civitan Facility for Mental Retardation and Child Development will be dedicated tomorrow at ceremonies at the building located just off Elba Street near the Durham Child Guidance Clinic.

The two-story structure is named for the North Carolina Civitan organization, a service group particularly interested in the mentally retarded and physically handicapped. Members of the two North Carolina Civitan districts raised \$100,000 to get the project underway.

The main speaker for the 2 p.m. dedication will be Dr. Gerald LaVeck, director of the National Institute for Child Health and Human Development in Bethesda, Md.

Dr. Ewald W. Busse, chairman of the Duke Department of Psychiatry, will outline the development of the facility and recognize the contributors. Following Dr. Busse's remarks, Dr. Samuel L. Katz, chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, will talk on "The Needs of Children in North Carolina."

Representing the Civitan organization on the dedication program are M. M. Richards, vice-president of Civitan International, and Carlie Sessoms, past governor of the Civitan N. C. District East.

The official welcome from Duke will be made by Dr. William G. Anlyan, vice-president for health affairs, while Chancellor Dr. John O. Blackburn will officially accept the building for the University.

The Civitan facility, administered cooperatively by the departments of psychiatry and pediatrics, will house the Developmental Evaluation Clinic where youngsters thought to have a physical or mental problem hindering their growth can be checked. In addition, research (continued on page two)



TALK ABOUT A PARKING PROBLEM!—It looks like even the bicycle riders are having a tough time finding a place to park these days. This bike was chained to a railing in the hallway of the Clinical Research II Building. (staff photo)

Blackout Causes Minor Problems; Vital Services Not Interrupted

When the lights went out in a good part of the Hospital last week, one would-be comic quipped that Duke probably didn't pay its electric bill.

That wasn't exactly what happened.

The power failure last Monday was the result of a fault in one of the main power cables serving parts of the Medical Center along with some buildings on the Duke West Campus.

Four emergency generators were on line and distributing power to vital parts of the Hospital within 10 seconds from the time the main cable shut down.

The emergency power system provides electricity for all 18 operating rooms and their support areas; the Acute-Care Unit—Recovery Room

complex; the entire Emergency Department; all nurseries and the delivery suite; the Cardiac Care Unit; enough of the Radiology Department to take, process, and read X-rays; all stairway lights, exit signs, and some hallway lights; and elevators essential to patient care.

In addition, some electrical power is pumped to every other patient care area to make sure that essential equipment is kept operating.

"We test these emergency generators at least once a week to make sure they will work in a situation like the one we had last week," Darrel Garrett, chief of the Hospital's electrical shop, said. Mr. Garrett noted that the vital areas affected

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