



SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!



Shown, Santa and Mrs. Krudner of the Nursery.

He is also coming to Riddle Hospital. It's Edward J. Miller and the secret is out about St. Nick's age. He will be 83 in June! Mr. Miller has been Santa at Riddle for three years but he's had many years' practice because he has three children of his own (Mary Mallon, our Director of Volunteers, for one), nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. This Santa is also a member of ASCAP. He's a song writer. He wrote a song called (you guessed it) "Santa Claus." It starts: "I had a dream, a beautiful dream/ That's haunting me, always."

This man obviously has had beautiful dreams. He fairly shines from them. His love of life is infectious.

He graduated from Southern Boys' High in Philadelphia and Pierce Business School where he studied business and commercial law.

He married Sabina Dougherty who also is a member of ASCAP, a singer plus a composer in her own right.

After becoming a married man Mr. Miller had little time for song writing and he settled down to more serious business. He first worked

for Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., then opened his own coal business and later consolidated with a partner. After that he went with Phila. Suburban Water Co. as a Sanitary Engineer where he inspected factories on water sheds, making sure no one contaminated our drinking water. One of our first ecologists. Asked what he likes most about playing Santa at Riddle he quickly answers, "Giving pleasure to the little old ladies." That comes from a very young Santa Claus!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER...Many times I have heard it said "time flies." Never before have I appreciated just how quickly the moments go by. Six months have passed since I took office as president of the Women's Board and yet it seems like yesterday. Half of our fiscal year is over and I feel that each Auxilian can point to our accomplishments with pride. The 1973 Country Fair was its most successful ever. The Thrift Shop is booming, individual Auxiliary functions have been spectacular, the Gift Shop and Snack Bar are always crowded, and the Volunteer Office reports a staggering total of 4,378-3/4 hours worked by our dedicated volunteers. We have many new members who show the same enthusiastic spirit and loyalty to RMH that has characterized our workers over the years.

As we enter a new calendar year and the last six months of our fiscal year at a time of national crisis, I ask for your continuous support in all our endeavors. Our work is half finished and only your continuing efforts will enable us to fulfill our goals.

To each of you and your families
A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

-- Dorothy Rolison

VOLUNTEERS FINISH NURSES AIDE COURSE



Volunteers Barbara Pennington, Fran Goodman and Margaret Nikelly completed the 30-hour Nurses' Aide Course given at Riddle Hospital for Volunteer participation. Also shown are Mrs. Ann Walters, RMH In-Service Director and course instructor, and Mr. Arthur P. O'Donald, RMH Administrative Assistant. Also completing course, but not shown, was Marcella Allaire.

REMINDERS

BEATTY HILLS: Recipe books are still for sale. \$1.50. Jeannette Pappas, KI 4-3451.

Regular meeting Tues. Jan. 22.
Program meeting Jan. 8 at Carrie MacDowell's. 10:30 a.m.
Arts & Crafts meeting Tues., Jan. 15.

ROSE TREE: Mini-Luncheon, Bridge Wed. February 13 at 12:30 a.m.

Jane Mygatt is welcomed as new member of Rose Tree Auxiliary.

CHARITY BALL: March 29, 1974. Hold date open.

SPRINGFIELD: realized \$124.65 on their recent bake sale.

Christmas luncheon was held December 14 at the home of Mary Mallon.

YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A CHRISTMAS TREE...SOMEWHERE (and what you sees in the lobby is what the Christmas-tree nappers didn't get!)

LOST: One Christmas tree. The Auxiliary gals came in to decorate the lobby tree, and when they went over to the storage building to get it, lo! the tree was gone! Decorations and all. We thought perhaps Santa or one of his little elves had lifted said tree and was going to surprise us by having it up and decorated some morning. But it doesn't look as if that's quite the way it happened. If whereabouts of tree are known to anyone, please contact the Volunteer Office.

JANE MILLAR, Corresponding Sec'y of the Women's Board, RMH

The travel bug bit Jane Millar early in life. She was born in Philadelphia and educated in many places between Scranton, Pa. and Richmond, Va. When she was only fifteen she was working for the Chinese government before that country went Communist. She later worked for the Army in Washington (she was one of the first persons ever in the Pentagon and she is not embarrassed to admit that she got lost everytime she went into the building!), and in an educational program sponsored by the Army at the University of Pa. It was while working nine years for the Philadelphia Electric Co. that she married Tom Millar. They have been married 25 years this year and have one son.



Among those enjoying the 1973 Board of Directors' Cocktail Reception were, L-R; Richard Trabulsi, M.D.; Vsevolod Kohutiak, M.D.; Mrs. Kohutiak; Mrs. Vakil; Hassan Vakil, M.D.; and Mrs. Edward Mallon. The reception was held November 18 at the Aronimink Golf Club.

RMH NURSES HONORED



L-R; Dot Lentz, serving; Mrs. Mary-Ann Liebeskind, R.N., and Mrs. Nancy Kessel, R.N. on Nurses Day.

Nurses Day was held on Thursday, December 6 in the Meeting Room at Riddle. This is an annual event, made possible by the Associated Auxiliaries. The nurses received corsages and were served refreshments of coffee, tea, cupcakes, donuts, coffee cake, cookies and candy from the hours of 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mrs. William Campbell of Media Auxiliary was chairman and over 200 nurses were served. Many Auxiliary members helped serve.

STORY WITH HAPPY ENDING

When we hear a story with a happy ending we think it is worthy of repeating. So here is one:

Recently the husband of an RMH patient came into the Gift Shop. The man was all smiles. He pointed to a toy wind-up monkey. It revolved, bobbed its head, and clapped a pair of cymbals together.

"I would like to take that to my wife," he said.

When the Volunteer looked a little quizzical, he hastily explained. "You see, my wife and I were quite anxious about her operation. But I just got word from the surgeon that everything is alright! I want to put this little fellow on her bedside table and when she starts coming out of the anesthesia I'm going to wind him up. That way she'll know right away she's going to be okay." Happy ending? You bet!

58 COMPLETE FIRST AID COURSE

58 area residents completed the five week Red Cross First Aid Training course in mid-November. The classes, sponsored by Riddle Hospital, were instructed by William Chandler.

Assisting Mr. Chandler were Edward Filer, Robert Coxe, Tony McEarlean, William Chandler III, Carl Davis, Pete Hellier, and Tom Vasek.

Mr. Chandler and his assistants are all Certified First Aid Instructors of the Concordville Fire Company. Upon completion of the course each participant qualified for a certified card and a well-equipped first aid kit from the hospital on behalf of the Christian New Memorial.

Due to the success of the program other courses are being considered for the coming year.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DINNER TO BE HELD

This year's Employee Recognition Dinner will be held on Friday evening, February 22, at the Towne House, in Media. The reception will be at 6:30 p.m. with dinner being served at 7:30. Keep the date open to enjoy a most delightful evening and honor your co-workers.

OPEN HOUSE, DECEMBER 20

Open House will be held in the lobby on Thursday, December 20 between 2 and 4 p.m. Santa will present the prizes for the most original and imaginative decorations at that time. Decorations may be started December 11 or thereafter. Judging will take place on the morning of December 20.

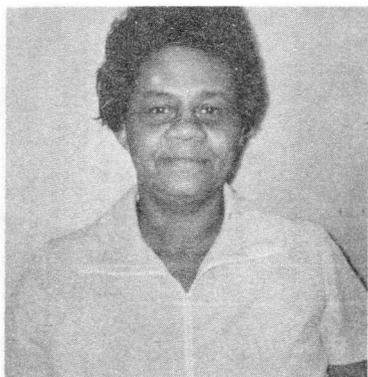
THRIFT SHOP HOLIDAY HOURS

Riddle Thrift Shop hours are as follows:

Closed from December 24 to January 2. Store is open Friday, December 21 and Saturday, December 22.

Stop in and see what Christmas goodies you can pick up!

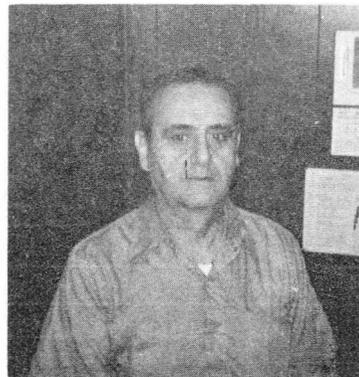
GETTING TO KNOW YOU



Geneva Richie
Housekeeping



Beth Woolson
R.N., Emergency Room



Ramon Madariaga
Maintenance

TID BITS...

Best of luck to Bea Stevens, N.P. Aux. in her new venture, Hoffert's candy shop in the Parkway Shopping Center on High Street in West Chester.

Mary Rhodes, Swarthmore Auxiliary; Joan Bugg, Swarthmore Auxiliary; and Joan McClenahan, Media Auxiliary, have all been patients recently at Riddle.

"Only one thing I know, the only really happy ones are those who have sought and found how to serve." -- Albert Schweitzer

A THANK-YOU FROM MIDDLETOWN

The gals of Middletown Auxiliary would like to say "Thank-you" for all of the support you have given our projects over the past year and we wish to extend our best wishes for a healthy and joyous holiday season to all.

BOWLING LEAGUE NEWS...In the November issue of the RIDDLEGRAM we mentioned those who had bowled over 200. We missed Rita Kimberly's name. Rita shot a 220.

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