

From Your Hospital

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CHRISTMAS IN THE HOSPITAL

Many people - staff, volunteers and organizations in the community - work hard to make Christmas as enjoyable as possible for our patients.

Early in December the hospital took on a festive look. Staff members decorated their own departments while the Auxiliary looked after the Lobby and the Junior Auxiliary, the Cafeteria. The Richmond Hill Rotary Club decorated the Paediatric Unit while Sears donated decorations to Continuing Care.

The week before Christmas the patients were visited by carollers from St. Theodore's Church, Willowdale: Richmond Hill United Church; St Mary's Anglican Church; Bayview Secondary School: the Junior Auxiliary and the Psychiatric

Day Care Choraliers.

Christmas Eve, Santa Claus, courtesy of Richmond Hill Dairy Queen, visited the children in Paediatrics. The next morning, each child received a toyfilled stocking made by the Oak Ridges Branch of the Auxiliary. The children also received gifts donated by the Richmond Hill Rotary Club. The Dietary Staff prepared a special Christ-

mas dinner - turkey and all the trimmings. When the trays arrived on the floors, they were decorated with favors made by the Junior Auxiliary. Special arrangements were made for several families to have dinner together.

Christmas was made merrier for our patients by all these thoughtful people. REMINDER

New Year's in the hospital is not fun! If you drink - don't drive! When you do drive, wear your seatbelt!

CONTINUING CARE The White Elephant Sale and Raffle Draw December 10, were a great success. Several patients from the Unit were selling goods at the booths, while others joined in with the rest of the crowd, shopping for Christmas. Included in the booths were baked goods, arts and crafts items made by patients and friends, plants, a myriad of rummage articles and a Children's Corner.

The Raffle Draw saw the patients picking the winning tickets. The winners, in order, were as follows: Mr. E. Banks, Mrs. E. Bartlett, Mrs. G. Nigh, Charmian McCullough, Helen Critchley, Mrs. N. Carter, Mrs. J. Liversidge, Mr. G. Clifton, Mrs. C. Black, Mrs. Dryden, Judy Ball, Dr. Marshall and Mrs. D. Nigh.

Jan Virtue, the Recreation Therapist, would like to thank all those who helped make the day such a success.

AUXILIARY

The Fall fund raising projects in the Branches have been most successful and the Auxiliary would like to thank the public for their support of these events. It is this public support that has made 1977 a very rewarding year for the Auxiliary.

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