



**A BI-WEEKLY INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN**

**PENNHURST STATE SCHOOL and HOSPITAL**

OPEN HOUSE

Mental Health and Mental Retardation month will be in November again this year. The Open House Committee has decided to expand on the traditional type of Open House. We have not, however, changed the format completely. On Wednesday night, November 4, 1970, there will be a musical program given by our school students. Excerpts of this program will be presented on Saturday, November 7, for any family, friends and staff who would like to come to Pennhurst. There will be tours of U-Basement, the VAS Workshop and Unit V at 10:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M., as well as video tapes and slides of various programs and therapies. We hope that you will come on November 4th and 7th and that you will bring your friends and relatives to visit with us too.

Committee for National Association  
for Retarded Children Month

RIDE NEEDED

I need a ride to Pennhurst and back. I live on Berks Street in Stowe, and work on the 7 to 3:30 shift. For more information, call Ext. 292.

Linda McMichael  
Unit V

A CLARIFICATION

In reference to Mrs. Horn's news item in the Pottstown Mercury, October 20, 1970, about the activities going on at Pennhurst, I would like to remind her that we always have had parties, dances, picnics, zoo visits, Philadelphia shopping trips, roller derby trips, and many other activities that the nurses and Aides thought up. And as far as making progress with these residents, they were already trained to groom themselves, make beds, set tables, and many other things. Also, the nurses and Aides got more respect from them. If you really want to try progress, why not try it on the lower functioning residents that really need training?

About the help that was hired, why isn't it on the wards where it is needed? It's about time the Aides start to get credit for the welfare of the residents, instead of the people who try to run Pennhurst from a clean little office.

P. Klick, J. Okonski  
E. Kolb, B. Rosendale

REPAIRS TO TYPEWRITERS

As of this date it will be necessary for all persons requesting typewriter repairs to submit three copies of a purchase requisition to the Purchasing Department.

This requisition should contain the following:

1. Make and Serial number of the typewriter.
2. Short description of repairs needed.
3. Location of typewriter in DETAIL!
4. Name of person, with telephone number of person to contact.

THE REPAIRMAN CANNOT BE CALLED IN UNLESS THE ABOVE REQUISITION IS IN THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT!!!

Frank Kamp  
Purchasing Department

WORKERS FOR HIRE

Regarding the article in the October 15 edition of the ADVISOR, I was glad to see that there are so many strong and capable bodied residents being utilized to help in the communities, picking apples, etc. It is great to see such progress, and I am sure that everyone is happy with the program.

Well, maybe not everyone. I refer now to the many Aides who are working on wards housing non-ambulatory and bed-fast patients. In most cases they are the female Aides. I can readily see why there are so many strong residents who are available to do this work for pay bit. It is because these same fragile females are doing the work that used to be designated to this group of residents. I feel that before we have a rash of hernias and people with cronic back trouble, we should abide by the old saying "Charity begins at home." I have Aides who are tugging and lifting patients who are heavier than they are. So what is the going price to secure a few strong male or female residents?

William Seyler  
Unit IV

WILL BABYSIT

Will babysit for children of working mothers in my home near Parkerford, a half mile off highway between Pottstown and Phoenixville (Rt. 724). Have experience. Call 495-7379.

Florence R. Biehl  
R.D. 1, Spring City

PANTSUITS CONTINUED

This is in answer to Lea Wilson's comments on pantsuits.  
Pantsuits - I checked with my manager and he said groovy!

A Fashionable Employee Who Won't Be Put Down

PROHIBITION OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY

Section 904 of the Civil Service Act states: No person in the classified service shall be a member of or delegate or alternate to any political convention, nor shall he participate at any such convention, except in the performance of his official duty or as a visitor, nor shall he serve as a member of any committee of any political party, or take an active part in political management or in political campaigns, or use his office or position to influence political movements or to influence the political action of any officer or employe in the classified service, nor shall he circulate or seek signatures to any nominations or other petition required by any primary or election law, nor shall he seek or accept election, nomination or appointment as an officer of a political club or organization or serve as a member of a committee of any such club or organization, nor shall he in any manner participate in or interfere with the conduct of any election or the preparation therefor at the polling place or with the election officers while counting the votes or returning the election material to the place provided by law for that purpose, save only for the purpose of making and depositing his own ballot as speedily as it reasonably can be done, nor shall he be within the polling place or within fifty feet thereof, except for the purpose of carrying out official duties and of ordinary travel or residence during the period of time beginning with one hour preceding the opening of the polls for holding such election and ending with the time when the election officers shall have finished counting the votes and have left the polling places for the purpose of depositing the election material in the place provided by law for that purpose, excepting only police officers who may temporarily approach or enter the polling place in order to make any arrest permitted by law or for the purpose of preserving order and in each case remain only long enough to accomplish the duties aforesaid after which the said officers shall at once withdraw: Provided, however, That the rights of any individual as a citizen are not impaired hereby, and the prerogative to attend meetings, to hear or see any candidate or nominee or, to express one's individual opinion, shall remain inviolate.

Francis J. Clifford  
Personnel Director

A THANK YOU

With major renovations finished and Unit VIII's transfer to Building #75 (Q Building) completed, it is most gratifying during our maintenance visits to observe the busy beavers of Unit VIII putting things in order.

Eavesdropping (non-intentionally) on the compliments of all the inquisitive employee visitors, add to the "well done" Unit VIII is deserving of thus far in setting up. It is strongly anticipated that the combined efforts of our forthcoming Preventative Maintenance Program and Unit VIII's endeavors will result in keeping a newly renovated building looking and functioning as a brand spanking new building should! This with but one primary objective in mind: the comfort of the resident.

Mike Kovatch  
Engineering Services

RECIPES A LA ROBERTS

SAUSAGE-STUFFING TOWERS

YIELD: 6 Servings

Peppy apple stuffing is sandwiched between sausage patties; topknot -  
saucy crab apple

- 1½ Pounds bulk pork sausage
- 1 Cup packaged herb-seasoned stuffing
- 1 Cup finely chopped pared tart apples
- ½ Cup finely chopped celery
- ¼ Cup minced onion
- 2 Tablespoons snipped parsley
- 2 Tablespoons chili sauce
- ¼ Teaspoon dry mustard
- ¼ Teaspoon pepper
- 6 Spiced crab apples

Shape sausage in 12 thin patties, ¼ inch thick. Prepare stuffing according to package directions, using ¼ cup water and 2 tablespoons butter. Add apple, celery, onion, and seasonings; toss to mix. Arrange 6 sausage patties in shallow pan. Top each with ¼ cup stuffing, then another patty; toothpick through center to hold. Bake in moderate oven 375 degrees, 45 minutes or till done. Top with crab apples.