



Election Results

The recent election of your new officers for the coming term is now decidedly official. Thanks to the Nominating Committee under the delightful and efficient leadership of Donnie Watson a strong and diversified slate was presented. Our sincere thanks to all of you who consented to run, and many congratulations to these successful candidates:

- PRESIDENT - Elma Albright
- PRESIDENT ELECT - Rosemary McClatchy
- VICE PRESIDENT - Mabyll Webb
- RECORDING SEC'Y. - Joan Aikens
- CORRES. SEC'Y. - Dot Heyburn
- TREASURER - Debbie Wick
- ASS'T. TREASURER - Dottie Lawrence

DeDe's Message

No job, no matter how great or small can be accomplished without the support of all the organization. This I have had in full abundance, and what is most important, I have felt a kind of joy and lack of starchiness among you gals.

If only one thing could be accomplished this year, I would have this feeling of friendliness and a renewal of communication and fruitful discussion of issues which confront us all.

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Tidings

EMMA and Andy Frederic (Concord Aux.) enjoyed a delightful Caribbean cruise for 2 weeks in March. DORIS and Bill Letts (Moylan-Rose Valley Aux.) spent a wonderful 2 weeks in Hawaii, just returned recently. LEE Sheridan of Nether Providence Aux. visited former member Elsa Atkins, now living in Florida and reports her happily settled in a new home at 1079 E. Page Drive, Deltona, Fla.

ALMA BAKIA, President of the Nether Providence Aux. has been elected 1st vice-president of the Delaware County Women's Republican Club. (Congratulations!)

From The Board

The magnificent sum of \$6,000.00 was turned over to the Treasurer by Rosemary McClatchy from the Thrift gold mine. (See her report elsewhere) Congratulations and many thanks!!

The Thrift Shop has at long last found a new roosting place. Thanks to the untiring efforts of Mr. Wick and Mr. McClatchy. The shop will re-open for consignment on August 21st at 201 South Avenue (the big brick building on the corner of Baltimore Ave. and South Ave.)

The Merry Token Shop presented a cheque for \$1500 at the last meeting. Once again, Edie, to you and your staff, our sincere appreciation for a job beautifully done.

The Women's Board voted at the meeting on July 10th to pledge \$50,000.00 to the Hospital.

To The Thrift Shop Volunteers

At the close of my term as chairman I want to thank all our volunteers both regular workers and the additional auxiliary workers. Also many thanks to the Auxiliaries' Thrift Shop chairmen who got us the much needed extra help so necessary to keep our Shop running smoothly.

To our many "Regular Workers", who come in once or twice a week, a very special "Thank You". No matter how well managed, the Shop could not have continued to increase its business without your help and loyalty. I greatly appreciate your many hours of work and the happy camaraderie you have helped create in the Shop.

"Our Regulars" - Beatty Hills - Jean Grindrod, Pattie Mitchell, Donnie Watson; Bowling Green - Doris Barrow, Barbara Schaafsma; Cheyney - Alice Cooke, Ruby Warren, Priscilla Wilson; Gradyville - Pauline Barber, Marion Cotton, Ida D'Ignacio, Evelyn Hixson, Nancy Kolp, Tess Stambaugh; Lima - Alice Cunningham, Mary Rhoades; Middletown - Dot Edmundson, Barbara Nauta; Moylan-Rose Valley - Doris Letts, Marjorie Nolan, Jan Park, Adelaide Truitt; Nether Providence - Gloria Seipp,



Presenting the "Best in Show" trophy of the Penn Treaty Kennel Club's 24th Annual All-Breed Dog Show on Sunday, April 30th, to Champion Round Table Cognac, a miniature poodle, is (l. to r.) Judge John V. Diggins while "Best in Show" Judge Mr. Melbourne T. L. Downing, Mr. John J. Brennan, handler, Mr. William B. Sweetland, Publisher of the Delaware County Daily Times, and Mrs. George Anderson, President of the Penn Treaty Kennel Club, look on admiringly. It was the 25th "Best in Show" prize for the beautiful poodle and she has also won 16 Specialty Prizes. The Dog Show, co-sponsored by the Riddlewood and Middletown Auxiliaries, which benefited the Riddle Memorial Hospital for the second consecutive year, was again a tremendous success. (Submitted Alice Dana Haberle)

THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS continued from page 1

Bea Stevens; Rose Tree - Alice Arata, Peg Bauserman, Alice Case, Helen Laimbeer, Lucille Routt, Fran Taney, Agnes Turner, Deborah Wick; Springhaven - Anne Toland; Swarthmore - Gladys Boller, Nancy Innis, Ruth Jenckes, Cheryl TenCate; Wawa - Roberta Simon. Last, but by no means least, Sara Robert who has worked with us for many years without counting her hours.

These girls along with Irma Scholten, Saize Macaulay and myself gave 6,433 hours to the shop.

Our 16 Auxiliaries supplied us with 232 extra girls who gave the shop 1,417 1/2 hours of help.

Of course I could not have had two successful and happy years as chairman without the very considerable and able help of our manager Irene Newton. I know she has won the hearts of our "Regulars." We would all be greatly distressed were she ever to leave us. Many thanks for your friendship and help, Irene.

Many thanks also to Irma Scholten, co-chairman, who has taken as much responsibility as I and to Saize Macaulay, who as treasurer, has kept our books in such perfect order.

I know you will all continue your interest and help to make Irma's year the most successful one so far.

Many thanks to one and all,
Rosemary McClatchy

THE PENN-TREATY KENNEL CLUB SHOW most generously a gain made R.M.H. the major beneficiary this year. Sponsored jointly by Riddlewood and Middletown Auxiliaries, it was a great success and we thank all those who worked that day, those who worked far in advance, and the distinguished guests who gave their time to present trophies to the winners. Space prevents the gratitude due them, but Mr. Sweetland, Mr. Geers, The Hon. John V. Diggins, Mrs. Case, Mr. Graef, Dr. Engstrom, we thank you. (And me, - mine was a lovely red setter, who licked me.) Alice Haberle did a magnificent job on publicity - and we are again in her debt, as usual. Many thanks to Mrs. George Anderson, President of Penn-Treaty, Mr. Clifford Clarke, Secretary, and Dr. Nancy Riser, whose efforts plus those of many others, made this show possible, and made it possible, too, for R.M.H. to be its beneficiary.

THE PENN TREATY KENNEL CLUB dog show realized a magnificent sum of more than \$2,200.00. This sum will be presented to me (for the Board) on Tuesday, July 18th. (Just what I shall do with it must remain a deep dark secret.)

It was erroneously reported by me at the last Board Meeting that the Penn Treaty Kennel Club was not going to give this show to Riddle in the future because of our failure to make it an associated Aux. function. It has since been made clear that although this would have been most desirable, the Kennel Club membership voted to name another beneficiary before our decision was in any way made known to them. In any event, we are greatly in their debt for the large sum of money raised for the hospital by this organization. Thank you, Penn Treaty, Riddlewood, Middletown, and all who participated to make this an outstanding success.

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TIDINGS continued from page 1

NOW FOR THE important stuff, like MONEY: Concord made \$73.97 on their bake sale in the RMH lobby on March 17th. The fashion show at Holiday Inn in February raised \$134.25. CHEYNEY turned over \$350.00 to the treasurer and Springhaven a magnificent \$1,000.00. Mrs. Middleton presented a cheque for \$1,964.00 (as reported elsewhere) and Elma reports that our profits from Derby Day were \$1,039.36.

Concord's last meeting in June will be a luncheon and brief business discussion at "Wilcastle", Wilmington, Delaware.

Lois Kelly's daughter, Karen, recently spent some time at R.M.H. Now at home doing nicely. Good luck, Karen!

Marianne Fleming will return to Germany, her native land, to visit her parents whom she has not seen for 12 years.

Dot Heyburn and daughter Joanne attended the Hospital Convention in Atlantic City for one day. Dot reported they walked miles in Convention Hall!

A cake bake is being planned in June in lobby of R.M.H. Date to be announced later.

A \$25.00 CONTRIBUTION has been received by the hospital in memory of Miss E. Lydia Darrah. Miss Darrah, a Red Cross Nurses' Aide, performed volunteer work at Riddle from 1963 until she became ill in 1966. She passed away in January, 1967.

The contributor requested the money be used in connection with Miss Darrah's work. At a recent meeting of Reception Desk volunteers it was suggested that we should have a wheel chair to be kept at the desk for emergencies using the front entrance. Therefore, this contribution has been deposited to an account for the purchase of such a wheel chair. Approximately \$50.00 additional is needed for the purchase.

DEBBIE ETHER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ether of Pine Ridge, Media, has been tapped for Sante Filomena, the Honor Society for Nurses at Duke University, where she has just completed her junior year. She also has been selected for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities in America.

Her mother, Marge, is a volunteer in the snack bar. Debbie is a Nurses' Aide at Riddle during her vacation period.

THANKS to Irene Green of Concord Auxiliary for making puppets.

MINTA EMMERLING made a plea for paperback books for the fair. (Springfield Aux.)

July 28th - Concord Auxiliary is having a bake sale at the Hospital starting at 1 p.m.

July 29th - Media Auxiliary - LUAU at the home of Lois Rowe - \$6.00 per couple.

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THERE IS NO JOY in this household, which is another reason why this issue is delayed. My beloved dog, Mimi, was killed by a car on May 27th, last, and the darling pup which was purchased to replace her, (No, to fill a sort of gap), died this past Thursday morning in her sleep. I guess I am kind of a nut, but it has broken the hearts of all of us. We cannot forget them, and the void left by their going must in time be filled by another. I do so want to obtain a part Poodle - one which has the potential of growing to a sizeable girl. It is hoped that this can be accomplished by the end of August when my daughter (whose dogs these really were) returns from camp. If any of you knows of a standard bred poodle whose owners have been so careless as to have allowed her to date an unsuitable large dog, please bear us in mind.

AT THE RISK now of incurring the ire of numerous readers, I feel it my duty to bring before the membership a subject which has given me many anxious and thoughtful moments.

With all due respect to the excellent and factual article by Mr. Jordan in the Daily Times, Tuesday, June 13th, 1967, about the power failure which crippled this area on the morning of June 5th - I feel it is all important to present the other side of the coin.

It is not my intention to compare this hospital with any other hospital in the area, or anywhere, but merely to point out alternatives to what happened that bright morning in June.

The Hospital administration stated that "within ten (10) minutes of the power failure we had two mobile generators being hooked up to supply power to the O.R.'s and Delivery Room suites, and within a few more minutes four (4) more mobile generators were dispersed to previously established locations. Within 20 minutes we had emergency power in the operating rooms and delivery rooms."

This is a decided tribute to the men who constitute the crews of the emergency equipment in the Media - Lima, Rose Tree area. It is a sad commentary on the readiness of Riddle Memorial Hospital. In the event of a widespread emergency, just one fire, one water pump failure, one emergency in any area, and we cannot, and should not, depend on any facility but our own.

When you realized that the modern operating room depends almost completely on electric and electronic gear and that 30 seconds can sometimes be the outside limit for oxygen in certain cases, and that three (3) minutes, at the outside spell the limit of fatal brain damage due to lack of oxygen, it is a thought to ponder.

Let me make myself clear as to why I make an issue of this matter. Riddle Memorial Hospital represents an investment of at least ten years of my life and that of many other dedicated women who are giving of their time, effort, money and talents to the end that R.M.H. shall be second to none in this area or any other. Give some serious thought as to whether any project should come before the installation of a power system which would make us totally self-sufficient. In the case of an emergency, R.M.H. would doubtless be the shelter designated for this entire area.

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DEBBIE WICK is at it again - through some financial chicanery she has opened innumerable savings accounts at Western Savings, and procured a place setting of Dalton Stainless, she then purchased 7 additional place settings which she has donated to the Country Fair. "Thank you", Debbie.

SOME PEOPLE are just plain lucky - like namely, me. There was enough stuff, I mean news items, pieces of articles, names of people, lists of new members and just plain trivia left over from the last issue of the RIDDLEGRAM to fill almost this whole issue, not to mention pictures of prominent people and goings-on (Mr. Cox does not get his medal for last month. He left out the first part of an article, and put some things in the wrong places, but he tried, and at least he deserves a sympathetic pat.)

FAIR DOINGS - since the last issue we are pleased to learn that Shirl (Mrs. Garet), Ten Cate, and Bernice (Mrs. Alfred) Page have taken on the job of Program Chairmen. Horray!!

ONE WAY to get you to read the Riddlegram is to have the fascinating situation which happened on page 3 of the last mess - left top - which was that Jesse put in the last half of an amusing (well I thought so) article. Here follows the first part - so read it and then - "WOW, here's a money making scheme, presented by Dot Heyburn, which is right up my alley, "Doodles for Dollars" from and for the people who use paper plates. I may not doodle worth a darn, and I sure don't win any dollars, but I am firmly in favor of paper plates, and here is just the excuse for using them. Just say you're practicing for a contest, and to heck with washing dishes." (now go on with the left col. page 3 - last issue. Simple non?)

NOTICED an amusing item in the RGM of Jan. - Feb. last. Should win the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, "Membership Committee - Members Up-date RGM Files". Now, really, girls, get in there and fight - the Riddlegram you save may be your own. To date the Vol. Office has only 10 membership lists of the 16 Auxiliaries.

MR. LAUGHLIN acknowledged with deepest appreciation the contribution of \$400.00 from the Indian Lane Junior High School Student Council. He introduced the Principal, Mr. Cyrus Rothberg, and the President of the Student Council, Steven Wilkins, to the Board of Directors assembled in meeting at the Hospital who joined Don in expressing the heartfelt thanks of the Board and all the RMH family. - These kids deserve a rousing vote of thanks from all of us. Boys and girls of this calibre are a credit to their school, families, (who also deserve credit for raising such responsible citizens) and the community, and in the long run their country. Let's encourage their efforts in helping others all through life.

DUE TO circumstances beyond our control, and partly due to the marvelous cooperation of all the auxiliaries, the news has been coming in thicker and faster than the RIDDLEGRAM can assimilate it, and in more generous amounts than space allows. So - the Items which have been neglected in the past issue will be squeezed into this one.

DELAWARE VALLEY DISASTER EXERCISE - RMH participated - as you will read further. The drill was a success complicated only by the various diagnoses pinned to the victim's chests. One male victim was admitted with an incomplete abortion, which had everyone guessing, and several DOA's were stood up along the walls.

Riddle Memorial Hospital participated in the Delaware Valley Disaster Exercise on Wednesday, May 3. This drill is sponsored by the various county medical societies and their committees on Disaster Medicine and receives the cooperation of local Civil Defense Units, the State Council of Civil Defense and approximately 90 hospitals throughout the Delaware Valley.

Local hospitals participating included: Riddle Memorial Hospital, Sacred Heart Hospital, Crozer-Chester Medical Center, Taylor Hospital, Delaware County Memorial Hospital, Fitzgerald Mercy Hospital, Haverford Hospital, Tri-County Hospital and Haverford State Hospital.

This is the third year that Riddle Memorial Hospital has been active in this exercise. We received ten simulated casualties who were "treated" or transferred to another hospital. Approximately ten members of our Medical Staff and 50 employees of the hospital directly participated.

The purpose of this test is to encourage preparedness in every hospital in the area. Also to set up lines of communication to arrange for load distribution, possible treatment centers, assistance to individual hospitals and to effectuate liaison between all groups concerned.

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New Volunteers

Mrs. Arthur J. (Mildred) Stretton, Jr. - Merry Token
Mrs. Kurt S. (Thelma) Seglem - Receptionist
Mrs. R. J. (Kay) Spina - Pediatrics
Mrs. Donald (Patricia) Blanken - Receptionist
Mrs. Richard E. (Judy) Thomas - Receptionist
Mrs. John C. (Barbara) Davis - Major Treat
Mrs. Elizabeth Finegan - Merry Token
Mrs. W. S. (Barbara) Wesson - Messenger

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As I believe I mentioned at the last Board Meeting - there will be a midsummer issue of this astounding publication, if things hold up - one devoted to the Fair in September.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, like bronchitis and pneumonitis, your editor, protem has been out of commission.

Many, many thanks to all of you for the excellent representation at the Board Meetings, and for the support and kindness you have shown me.

THE CHARITY BALL was a tremendous success, financially and in fun - Joan Middleton turned over a cheque for \$1964.02 (02?).

VOLUNTEERS are again to be congratulated - 284 volunteers gave a total of 2,953 hours in April. The Hospital has purchased 50 leather convalescent chairs (good news for patients and visitors alike) and hopes to buy ten more each month until all rooms are supplied. May - No. of Volunteers - 333 gave 3,476.20 hours; June - No. of Volunteers - 383 gave 3,533.20 hours.

I NOTE IN THE BOARD MINUTES OF MAY 8th that the Riddlegram was written and edited by Mrs. Coffin. The same is unfortunately true of this issue. THANK YOU, ONE AND ALL, for the splendid cooperation and outpouring of news. If yours does not appear in this issue, it is because due to lack of space, much important items were omitted from last month's issue, and must appear herein, if you all want to remain friends.

NAT JORDAN has most kindly and thankfully consented to act as co-chairman for Corny at this year's fair. Thanks, Nat.

ANENT (isn't that a useful word?) THE FAIR: YOUR donations of priceless antiques to the Swarthmore Auction are eagerly solicited - and other (I can't call it JUNK) for the Bowling Green attic booth.

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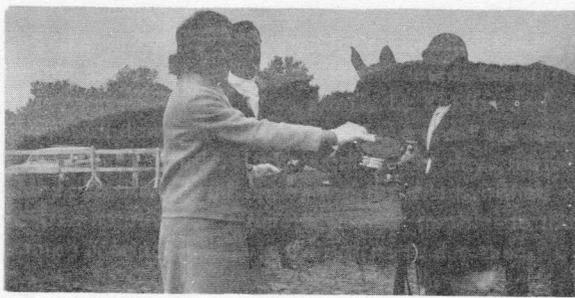
PLEAS FROM THE COUNTRY FAIR: While you are vacationing this year, send or bring a gift for the "Around the World Booth" (may be delivered to 201 Timber Jump Lane, Media, Pa., 19063, or call LO 6-3979 for pick-up)

Used toys, in good condition (they've got to be kidding. Nothing my kids used is in good condition) blocks, books, skates, stuffed animals, games, etc., to Elsie Buhle, 714 Hemlock Rd., Pine Ridge (garage) or call LO 6-5140 for pick-up.

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DR. CHALMER C. KIRKBRIDE - Past Chairman of the Board of Directors, R.M.H. has been honored by election to the National Academy of Engineering thus adding to his long list of honors. The National Academy of Engineering is a private organization which shares the responsibility given the National Academy of Sciences in 1863 by Congressional Act of Incorporation to advise the Federal Government in matters of Science or technology. Dr. Kirkbride has honored Riddle Memorial Hospital by his latest achievement and we hasten to congratulate him on this latest well-deserved gesture of national esteem.

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Pictured (l. to r.) Mrs. Fielder Coffin, Jr., President of Associated Auxiliaries to Riddle Memorial Hospital, presents perpetual trophy to Miss Kate Sullivan of Narristown for her Champion Horse (Class 23) "Sweet Potato" as Ringmaster William Reeves looks on. The beautiful trophy, donated by Mrs. Coffin, must be won three consecutive times to be kept permanently; a silver plate was presented to the rider - a permanent gift having her name, date and place of show. The event took place at Riddlewood Auxiliary's successful Junior Horse Show on May 21st. (Submitted Alice Dana Haberle)

THIS ENTIRE RIDDLEGRAM COULD be given over to expressing the sincere appreciation of all of us at R.M.H. to those people who have so unstintingly given of their time and money to make our various projects a success.

TO MR. FRANCIS STRAWBRIDGE III, who made it possible for us once again to have Riddle Derby Day. TO MRS. JUNE TROTTER who planned and coordinated and cooperated and goodness knows what all to make it a success and to all those who cooperated so successfully with Elma Albricht in this effort.

TO ALL THOSE WHO SPONSORED CLASSES in the recent Riddlewood Junior Horse Show and to all those whose entries swelled the coffers, the deepest appreciation, not only of Riddlewood Aux., but all of us. I hope all of you had as good a time as I did.

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Summer time is, at best, a trying time to plan affairs - and the big thing facing us all is the Fair on September 15th, evening - and all day September 16th. Your efforts and cooperation are all most earnestly needed - as usual. Get out and sell those chances and ads.

Most hearty thanks for the return and recovery of Cornie Burckhardt and grateful outpourings to Nat Jordan who pinch hit - and is carrying on as co-chairman. Many sincere thanks, too, to Bernice Paige and her mother who are carrying on for the Program.

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THERE HAS DOUBTLESS been much left out of this issue, but so much time has elapsed that it is almost impossible to correlate and weed out certain items. My most abject apologies and my pleas for news items for the August and September issues. Please leave these in the Riddlegram Box at the Hospital.