HOSPITALS ACCREDITED

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals has awarded a full two-year accreditation to the Indiana University Hospitals. The accreditation decision was based on a survey conducted in September at Riley, Long and Indiana University hospitals.

For the first time in Indiana this survey was performed jointly with the Indiana State Board of Health's annual licensure survey. The Board of Health authorized the combined survey as a "one-time field testing" to serve as a model in determining the feasibility of a joint survey process for Indiana hospitals.

The Joint Commission's survey and accreditation programs are voluntarily conducted in hospitals to promote high quality patient care. The State Board of Health performs similar surveys of all Indiana hospitals as part of their annual licensure process.

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HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

The international program sponsored by the School of Social Work is now gearing up for its second year. Social workers from all over the world will come to Indianapolis this spring for a three-month program of continuing education and work experience.

An important part of the program is the opportunity provided these visitors to live with three different American families during their stay in the community. Host families are needed for each of the five-week segments. The time periods will be May 5-June 7, June 7-July 12 and July 12-August 16.

Participants this year will be coming from Sweden, England, Germany, the Netherlands, Austria, Thailand, Denmark, Israel, Kenya, Malta, South Africa, Uruguay and Kuwait.

If you think you might like to house a participant for a five-week period, or want more information about the program, please call Elsa Iverson at Ext. 2961, Dave Metzger at Ext. 8787 or Paula Schneiderman at Ext. 7442.

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WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE & SOMETIMES WHY

Displays -- Pharmacy displays this week in University Hospital will be Smith Kline & French Laboratories on Monday, Syntex Laboratories on Wednesday and Lederle Laboratories on Friday. E.R. Squibb & Sons will have a display in Riley Hospital on Wednesday. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Biochemical -- "Metabolism in Brown Fat of the Arctic Ground Squirrel," Biochemistry Faculty Seminar by Dr. Paul V. Blair, associate professor; Medical Science Building, Room 205, 2 p.m. Monday.

Genetics I -- "Genetic Polymorphism of B12 Binding Proteins in Human Saliva," Medical Genetics Seminar by Dr. Edwin A. Azen, professor of medicine at the University of Wisconsin; Riley Research Room 138, 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Grand Rounds -- Dr. Richard Dexter will discuss "Acromegaly and Gigantism" and Dr. Arthur White will discuss "Immunizations for Adults" during Department of Medicine grand rounds Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Hospital.

Broadway in Bloomington -- "Eubie!", the Broadway hit based on the life of Eubie Blake, will come to Bloomington on Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the I.U. Auditorium. Tickets ($2.50, $4 and $5) are available through the box office, 812-337-1103.

Genetics II -- "Genetic and Environmental Influences on Reading Achievement: A Study of First- and Second-Grade Twin Children," Medical Genetics Seminar by Emily L. Harris; Riley Research Room 138, 4 p.m. Thursday.

Shaw -- The Repertory Theater at the Christian Theological Seminary is presenting George Bernard Shaw's "Caesar and Cleopatra" starting Thursday for a two-weekend run. Tickets are $4 for adults and $3.25 for children and students. For information, call 923-1516 or 924-1334.

Gershwin -- "Porgy and Bess" will be on stage Saturday at the Musical Arts Center in Bloomington. For ticket information, call 812-337-7433.

Coming Up -- "Effect of Blood Flow and Venous Pressure on Canine Hepatic Blood Volume," Physiology Seminar by Thomas Bennett, graduate student; Medical Science Building, Room 205, 4 p.m. Monday (February 4).

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TAX TIPS

Lawrence A. Jegen, professor of law, has submitted a list of tax-saving tips to share with the IUPUI faculty and staff. If you have any questions or problems, check with your tax consultant or the Internal Revenue Service.

In preparing your 1979 income tax returns, remember to consider deducting the following items. Items 1-3 should be taken regardless of whether you itemize your deductions or take the standard deduction. Items 4-12 generally should be deducted only if you itemize your deductions. Items 13-15 are credits (direct reductions) against the applicable income tax.

1. Cost of travel to professional conventions. Include your meals, lodging, and transportation.
2. Automobile expenses. Use either actual cost or flat amount of 18½ cents per mile for the first 15,000 miles and 10 cents a mile thereafter, plus parking to Bloomington, Lafayette, professional meetings, student and faculty meetings, State House, etc.

3. Moving expenses to come to Indianapolis.

4. Cost of professional books (some of them may have to be capitalized and depreciated), magazines, newspapers, etc.

5. Professional association dues.

6. Cost of personal-use supplies, e.g., pens, pencils, paper, stationery, and postage.

7. Office-in-home expenses, e.g., portion of depreciation of your house and personal property, fuel, water, electricity, insurance, taxes, interest, and telephone. However, there are several severe limitations on taking these deductions.

8. Teacher's liability insurance premiums. You can add this protection on your homeowner's policy for about 50 cents per year.

9. Cost of research, additional secretarial help, and presents to your secretary (up to $25).

10. Cost of cap and gown, e.g., for commencements and dedications.

11. Depreciation on personal property on your school office, e.g. rugs, lamps, pictures, frames, tape recorders, chairs, briefcases, and accessories. Also, remember to take the investment credit for new purchases of such items.

12. Your I.U. medical insurance premiums. You may deduct one-half of the premiums paid (but not more than $150), regardless of whether you may deduct other medical expenses.

13. Credit for purchases of tangible personal property which is used in your office.

14. Credit for political contributions.

15. Credit (on your Indiana income tax return) for charitable contributions made to Indiana educational institutions or to certain foundations (including Indiana University's).


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NEWS 'N' NOTES FROM HERE 'N' THERE

Crises -- Donald F. McHenry, United States ambassador to the United Nations, will speak February 8 at 8 p.m. in Alumni Hall in Bloomington.
Progress -- The Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library will sponsor a symposium on "Blacks in Indiana, Over a Century of Progress" on February 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Cropsey Auditorium at the Central Library. One of the principal speakers will be Dr. Joseph T. Taylor, special assistant to the vice president and former dean of the School of Liberal Arts, who will give the closing address on "Black History: Where Do We Go from Here?" The symposium is one of several programs in the libraries that are planned for Afro-American History Month. Admission is free.

Looking -- The Midwest Universities Consortium for International Activities (MUCIA) is looking for an executive director. Applications and nominations should be sent, by February 10, to: Dean John V. Lombardi, MUCIA Search Committee, Bryan Hall 205, IUB 47405.

Singlehood -- "Living the Single Life (and Enjoying It)" will be the subject of a talk by Frances G. Lehman, assistant director of Community Mental Health Services, at a meeting February 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mental Health Association building, 1433 North Meridian Street. There is no admission charge, but pre-registration is requested. Call 636-2491.

Labor -- The Division of Labor Studies has a full program of courses starting next month: Union in the community, group communications for union leaders, steward training, OSHA hazard recognition and collective bargaining. They also are offering a three-weekend program for occupation safety and health trainers and a two-day (March 28-29) advanced hazard recognition program. For more information, call Ext. 3471.

Downtown -- Learning in the City's spring semester of downtown, lunchtime classes begins February 4. Credit courses are offered in psychology, English, personnel supervision, women in politics, accounting, business English, shorthand, human relations, tax preparation, time management, retailing, advertising, marketing, general law, legal research and probate law. All registration ends Wednesday. For information, call Ext. 3586.

Special -- "The Evolution of Gastroscopy from the Magenkratzer to the Laser," a national touring exhibit co-sponsored by the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, is on display in the School of Medicine Library through February 15. The exhibit has been on tour to the major medical schools throughout the country. Produced and coordinated by Dr. Martin E. Gordon, associate clinical professor at the Yale University School of Medicine, the exhibit traces the historical development of endoscopic techniques and projects the devices of the future. Optical wave guides smaller than a human hair, gallium arsenide lasers about the size of a crystal of salt, and many other unique futuristic devices are featured. Also included are the latest methods of gallstone extraction without major surgery.