

Ongoing Cancer Research Made Possible Through Grants

The University of Rochester Cancer Center has received a \$316,500 grant from the National Cancer Institute (NCI) to convert existing space in the university's Medical Center to laboratories for medical physics, radiation and experimental therapeutics research.

According to information from the U of R, all potential cancer therapies travel from the laboratory to the clinic in order to earn the label of "promising new cancer treatment."

Before any therapy can be used on humans, it must first undergo extensive investigation and testing at different levels in the laboratory — from cellular and molecular studies in vitro (outside the body) that examine how a potential treatment might affect both cancer cells and normal cells, to analyses of how different therapies, alone or in combination, affect malignancies and normal tissue in animal model systems.

The grant was offered to provide the most up-to-date facilities for these phases of research and to insure that scientific investigations are carried out in a cost-effective manner and in optimal amounts of time.

The new U of R laboratories will occupy an



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area in the Medical Center's "T-wing," formerly used for the treatment of patients by the Cancer Center's Division of Radiation Oncology.

"The T-Wing laboratories," explained Dr. Robert A. Cooper Jr., director of the Cancer Center, "will allow the consolidation of whole animal experiments in a single location, facilitate the conduct of experiments and faculty-staff interaction, and result in a sharing of equipment and common technical staffs."

Robert M. Sutherland, Ph.D., assistant director for experimental therapeutics of the Cancer Center, will have responsibility for supervising and directing studies conducted in the new facility.

A variety of research projects will be undertaken in the proposed laboratory area, which is in close proximity to existing facilities for experimental radiation, the Medical Center Vivarium (which houses animals for research purposes), and the Animal Tumor Research Facility (ATRF), which provides services for

processing and growing tumors in animals.

The new facilities will bring together in one location scientific investigations involving the effects, alone or in combination, of radiation, drugs, and other agents, on tumors and on normal tissues; and studies designed to discover ways of preventing harmful effects of treatment, especially in the lungs, nerves, bone marrow, and gastrointestinal tissue.

"While the programs to be located in this area represent a variety of studies," said Dr. Cooper, "they share a common theme, the coordinated study of normal and tumor tissue effects."

"Through studies such as the ones to be conducted in this area," he continued, "researchers will be able to ascertain more quickly and accurately the hazards of potential therapies in animal model systems. Once therapies are determined to be effective in the laboratory, they can then be tested in the clinic with a clear and definite understanding of the potential risks involved."

MDC Sets Forum

Monroe Developmental Center Volunteer Services Department will hold the fourth annual Fall Forum from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the Center. There will be a presentation by the Monroe Players, a slide show and volunteer panel.

Nancy Giles, president of the MDC Network, and Sylvester Zielinski, director of the Center, will greet guests. The volunteer panel will be led by Mary Bryant, volunteer coordinator. Panelists are Sonia DiPilato, who will discuss the "Adopt A Unit" program at a community residence; Cynthia Smith will explain the role of a religious liaison volunteer, and Douglas McNamara, involvement on a corporate level. Jim Nesser will discuss the role of a student volunteer and Lois Giess represents the special unit volunteer.

Volunteers, civic groups, church organizations, representatives of corporations, high school and college students have been invited. Anyone wishing to attend may call 461-2800, ext. 426.

The Center serves Monroe County citizens who are developmentally disabled. Volunteers may serve in the Center or in community residences.

Reunion Search

The committee organizing the 25th class reunion for Blessed Sacrament School's graduating class of 1956 is attempting to locate Tim Tubbs, Helen Maid, Reidar Valks, Sheila A. Donnelly, Mary Jane Burnett, Linda Gallus, Mary Jane Tykodi and Diane Christ.

Assistance in reaching these people is welcomed by James Lynd, (716) 586-6827; or Betty Way Buffano, (716) 377-1262.



The symbol proclaims the presence of the oratory to the SUNY college campus.

Zollo Sculpture Installed At Brockport's Oratory

Brockport — A long-cherished dream was realized at the Newman Oratory of Brockport recently with the installation of a large Christian symbol over the front of the building facing the State University of New York College campus.

The symbol, created and fashioned by Carl Zollo, prominent local artist, features an open cross within a six-foot steel circle, with narrow flowing rods spanning

the space between the arms of the cross. "It is a striking piece of work, uniquely designed to harmonize with the structure of the oratory," Sister Kathleen Milliken, RSM, co-chaplain, said last week.

The work was commissioned by Mrs. Shirley Donaher of Brockport and presented in memory of her husband George, who died Sept. 18, 1980.

Father Terence K. Fleming officiated at a blessing

ceremony last Sunday. He is co-chaplain at the oratory as well.

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The family motel at Glendon Road Beach, Dennisport. Autumn Special: 20% discount on all stays 4 or more days. Special Starts September 7, 1981. Motel rooms \$18.00/day double occupancy. Two-room kitchenettes \$25.00/day double occupancy. Deluxe kitchenettes \$30.00/day double occupancy. Extra persons in room \$5.00/day. Heated pool. Cable TV. Daily Maid Service. Children Welcome. Reservations Required. Call 617-364-5359 or write Box 831, Dept. E, Dennisport, MA 02639. Special rates for Senior Citizens Groups.

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"Annie," the Broadway hit musical, is coming to Rochester and because it is, the Kidney Foundation of Upstate New York will get assistance for its work.

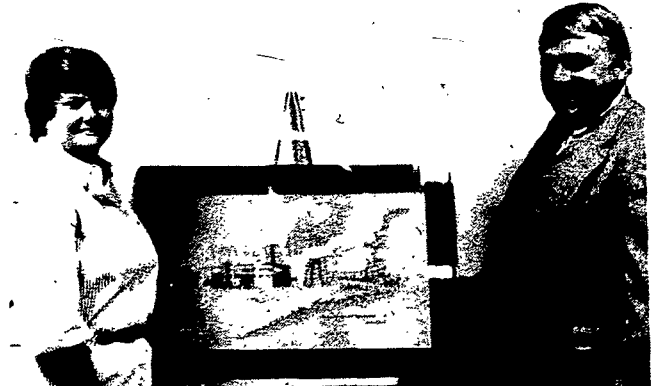
A benefit performance is scheduled at 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 20, at the Auditorium Theater. Reserved seating in the orchestra and loges will be \$25 a ticket. Patron tickets at \$50 each will be available and these will include admission to a champagne reception following the show.

The kidney unit was founded to resolve the acute needs of the kidney patient. Its goals are multiple: to

increase early detection of kidney disorders, to increase availability of kidneys through an organ donor concept, to provide patient services such as counseling, emergency funds and drug banks.

Much of its energy is directed toward research since kidney problems remain a major source of illness and death in the United States.

Reservations will be on a first come, first served basis. Checks should be made payable to The Kidney Foundation of Upstate New York, 441 East Ave., Rochester, N.Y. 14607. Further information is available from (716) 144-8893.



Join Forces

Carol Kenny and Gerry Paradies display a sketch of a modernized St. Mary's Hospital, some of the money for which will be raised in an unusual event designed to benefit both the hospital and Our Lady of Mercy High School. The event is a gala Next-to-New Sale, opening at 10 a.m. Oct. 1-3 at the high school. Proceeds will be divided equally between institutions. Further information is available by calling (716) 381-7867 or (716) 586-8723.

Deadline

The deadline for submitting news to the Courier-Journal is

noon on Thursday preceding the following Wednesday's publication.

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