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New safety analyzer monitors hospital's electrical equipment

he safety of patients hospitalized at FMDH is as much a concern to staff members as the quality of medical care. One area of concern is electrical equipment.

Health care professionals rely on electrical equipment for diagnosis of illness and care of patients. The job of keeping that equipment in tip-top shape falls on the shoulders of the hospital's maintenance department.

Recently, the Foundation made that job a bit more thorough with its purchase of a Safety Analyzer. The

suitcase-size unit checks the safety status of electrical equipment used in the hospital and in emergency vehicles.

Bills Marks, maintenance staff member, explained that the analyzer checks for shorts, leaks and ground faults in equipment such as IV machines, heart monitors and scopes.

"Whenever there is equipment connected to the body, we need to know there isn't any current leakage," he said. "Every piece of electrical equipment has to be certified that it will not damage or harm a patient."



BILL MARKS of the hospital's Maintenance Department explains how the safety analyzer detects problems in electrical equipment to Foundation Board members Bernadine Gallagher, left, and Julie Burke.

According to JCAH accrediting standards for hospitals, all electrical equipment must be certified regularly. At FMDH, equipment is checked when first purchased and certified annually. Equipment used in intensive care, the emergency room, critical care and surgery is checked every six months. When a problem arises with equipment, the safety analyzer is one of the first tools used in detecting its source, Marks added.

Shortly after its arrival, it was used to detect a bad power cord in a monitor. The problem was solved quickly and the unit was back in use with little down time, he said.

Foundation receives Cheek painting

two-foot by three-foot painting by C. R. Cheek that now brightens the walls of the hospital board room is the most recent gift of art work to the Foundation.

The untitled painting of three buffalo on a trail is a gift from ShaRonne Hanson, R.N., of Glasgow. She serves as coordinator of the Poplar Dialysis Unit and STAT Flight Program Director at the hospital.

This is the first of Cheek's work she has purchased and she has an appreciation for his work.

"I've seen a lot of Cheek work around Poplar and I've admired it," she said recently. "There is a huge painting at the IHS (Indian Health Services) building in Poplar that has fascinated and intrigued me."

Hanson bought the painting from Genevieve McClammy of Poplar, a technician at the dialysis unit. She received it from her husband as a gift five or six years ago and when she was redecorating this winter, found it needed a new home.

Chief Justice William "Tolly" McClammy bought the painting before the artist became well known, Genevieve said.

"Cheek came to the door with paintings and Tol thought it was a good buy. Each of the kids picked out a painting that day, too," she said.

Genevieve believes her husband's love for western art came in part because of the stories he heard from his own father who was the youngest person to come north on one of the long cattle drives.

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SHARONNE HANSON, R.N., recently donated the C. R. Cheek painting to the Foundation.

McClammy served as chief justice for the tribal court for 14 years before his death in November, 1988.

Cheek's work has increased in popularity over the years. He has moved from the Poplar area to Ennis where he paints and creates bronze sculptures, many of which are displayed in the area, Genevieve said.

Giving the painting to the Foundation is only part of the reason Hanson bought the Cheek work. The other half of the reason was to fulfill a dream

"I'd like to see this and other art work displayed at the hospital," she said. "I'd like to see more appreciation of our history here and I'd like this painting to serve as a focal point for greater understanding."

She envisions the hospital walls bearing art work from many artists, each with an explanation of the piece and a biography of the artist, bringing learning and understanding through art.

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Wax Sculpture......Value Unknown

The Cheek painting is now on display.

Financial Statistics

as of M	arch 12, 1990	
Cash Assets:		
Trust Account\$214,203.5	53 Heckner Trust	\$20,000.00
Gift Account	78 Markle Ambulance Trust	\$20,280.11
\$227,787.3	32	
Miscellaneous Gifts:		
Northwestern National Life	Cenex (Hinsdale) Bookvalue	\$7,551.78

Hospital sponsors Fun Run May 12

onnection readers are invited to burn off some of those pesky winter calories during the second annual Fitness in the Future Fun Run on May 12 at Hoyt Park, next to the Hospital. The event is co-sponsored by the Hospital and the City of Glasgow Recreation Department.

Three divisions are planned: a 5K run beginning at 8 a.m., a 10K run starting at 8:30 a.m., and a 5K walk getting under way at 9 a.m.

According to Sue Fousha who heads the planning committee, organizers have planned a route that starts behind the Medical Arts Building, winds around town on the dike, crosses the Sixth Avenue Bridge and continues to the southwest. Emergency medical technicians will man water stations along the course.

Participants will be divided into male and female age groups and ribbons will be awarded in each group. There will be a \$10 charge. Runners and walkers will receive T-shirts and neon sport bottles as a thank you for their participation, Fousha said. Pre-registration is requested, but not required. Forms are available at the Recreation Center and the hospital.

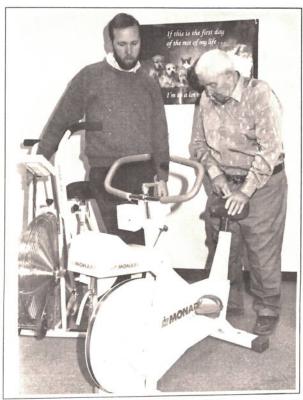
The new Fitness Course will be headquarters for the Fun Run.

Last year, the Foundation Board gave \$100 toward purchase for the Course. The exercise equipment was installed last fall just across the street from the Hospital in Hoyt Park as a joint project between the Hospital and the City. The City provided installation and will do on-going maintenance. Funding for the Course has also been received from business and individuals, in addition to proceeds from the two Fun Runs.

The Fitness Course is a self-guiding exercise system designed for all ages and all levels of fitness. It combines a sequence of warm-up, vigorous and cool-down exercises.

Future plans call for installation of a walking/ jogging trail that will circle the park and be used in conjunction with the Fitness Course. A rowing machine will be raffled off during the Fun Run as the initial fund raising event for the trail.

For more information on the Fun Run, contact Fousha at the Hospital.



ROY DeDOBBELEER, RIGHT, of Glasgow, listens as Dr. L. Keith Scott explains how these two stationary exercise bikes are used in the Cardiac Rehabilitation Center program. The bikes are used in the Cardiac Rehabilitation Center program. The bikes were purchased for the center by the Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital Foundation. DeDobbeleer is a member of the Foundation board.

Bronze cast made of Urs' sculpture

he Foundation's first sculpture took on a bright, new shine last month when its wax form was cast into the first of a possible 36 bronze sculptures.

"Meat," a work by Hays artist Marvin 'Fats' Moran, was a gift from Steve and Byrnece Urs, formerly of Glasgow and now of the Fort Peck area. It depicts a hunter on horseback leading a pack mule. The three rest for a moment before picking up the elk they've just killed, according to Urs.

The work stands about 18 inches high on an oak base.

It came to the Foundation in wax form that was destroyed in the casting process. Before casting, it was returned to Moran for minor repairs. "He also added a feather to the rider's hat," Krause said.

The Foundation Board has an offer to buy this bronze, numbered 1 of 36.

The bronze is currently on display at the hospital and will be displayed in several local business places in the near future.

Coordinator looks forward to many visits with members

The last four months, for me, as Foundation Coordinator have been months of organization, goal setting and planning. The next four months promise to bring more of the same along with education and visits outside the Hospital.

I am Patsy Krause. I started at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital as administrative secretary, and have since moved to work with the Foundation. The new administrative secretary is Peggy Severson. If you have trouble finding me, Peggy will be happy to show you where the Foundation office is.

I am excited about working with the Foundation because it will give me the opportunity to visit with many of you about our hospital and the goals of the Foundation.

During April, I attended a National Planned Giving Institute seminar and returned with many new ideas on how to improve our Foundation, and serve your estate planning needs better.

In March I had the opportunity to visit many of you in the north country with Mike Maas and Roy DeDobbeleer. We were on an adventure to contact Cenex stockholders about their stock and it was a

very enjoyable day! Hopefully in the near future, we will be able to make another trip to another area, to contact and visit more of you.

Currently, we are organizing an Estate Planning Workshop. It will be a very informal workshop,



lasting approximately two hours. We will have guest speakers and provide general information. I hope that many of you will be able to attend.

I want to thank you, in advance, for your support of the Foundation and I look forward to working with you on some fun and entertaining fund raising activities. If ever you are at the hospital and would like a tour, or if you have any questions, please contact me.

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Aggressive recruiting continues

he focus of the Hospital board's physician recruitment effort remains aggressive, but has shifted in light of the resignations of Dr. Phillip Dean and Dr. Timothy O'Dea. Dean opened a practice in White Sulphur Springs and O'Dea will return to school this summer to specialize in ear, nose and throat.

With a full contingent of doctors in place, the board's goals for 1990 were to recruit an orthopedic surgeon, an internist and another family practice doctor. The loss of the two family practice physicians means that recruitment of family practitioners is now a top priority.

"We're looking for at least two family practitioners and one internal medicine specialist," Hospital Administrator Kyle Hopstad said shortly after O'Dea's announcement.

He explained that FMDH competes for all professional staff members in the highly competitive national marketplace. Incomes offered here are favorable and many other assets are working in the hospital's favor.

"We're very fortunate because our facilities and diagnostic capabilities are very attractive," he said. The board and administration are working with process will produce immediate results, Hopstad said. "The disheartening part is that almost all recruiters

several firms that specialize in physician recruit-

ment. Their representatives are not optimistic the

say most of the searches will take anywhere from six months to one year," he said, adding, "we do have some leads that look promising."

Until more physicians can be recruited here, the Hospital has contracted with a company called Spectrum which provides physicians to cover the emergency room on weekends. They will provide 24hour service.

This national firm will be used for weekend coverage on a probationary basis for the next six months, Hopstad explained. "This will give us time to assess the public's reaction and see if the doctors meet the local physician's expectations," he said. "If acceptable, this contract could be extended indefinitely and allow us to promote our urgent care program for the community."

Another measure taken includes staffing the clinic with temporary physicians. "This will improve the access into the clinic," Hopstad said.

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In Memory of Charles Jacobson Mr. and Mrs. Roy DeDobbeleer

Area residents donate Cenex stock certificate

everal years ago, the Farmers Union Oil Station in Glasgow, commonly referred to as the Cenex station, closed its doors. While in operation, patrons earned stock each time they made a purchase at the station. Since that time, Farmers Union Oil has been retiring its debt. A percentage of the remaining stock will eventually be paid to its stockholders.

The Foundation Board, under the leadership of board member, Roy DeDobbeleer, has been contacting Cenex stockholders and asking them to donate their stock to the Foundation. As of mid-April, the Foundation had acquired over \$50,000.00 in Cenex stock.

The actual payment amount remains to be determined.

The Foundation Board wishes to thank all those stockholders who have supported this project by donating their stock. Thank you!



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