Shoenberg Again Board President

John M. Shoenberg has been re-elected president of the hospital’s board of directors for another year. He has been president since 1958. Edward B. Greensfelder and Joseph F. Ruwitch were newly elected to one-year terms as vice-presidents.

Re-elected to one-year terms were Sam C. Sachs, Edward F. Schweich and Millard A. Waldheim, vice presidents; Edwin C. Shifrin, secretary, and Herbert S. Schiele, treasurer.

Re-elected to three-year terms on the board were: Irvin Bettman, Jr., Mrs. Myron N. Fisher, Alfred steve, and Charles H. Yalem.

Federation Drive Opens

The 1961 Jewish Federation campaign at the hospital is well underway. The goal for hospital employees is $3,915. At publication time, more than $2,400 had been collected by the hospital’s 50 departmental team captains. Last year, $3,239 was raised in a three-week drive.

So far in the campaign, 100% participation has been achieved by Housekeeping, Laundry, Central Supply, Audiology and Social Service. Housekeeping holds top honors to date for the biggest increase in collections over 1960.

Morris Shenker, noted criminal lawyer and chairman of the Jewish Federation’s 1961 campaign, kicked off the drive at the hospital April 14 with a speech to departmental team captains and other employees.

The Jewish Federation of St. Louis annually gives $360,000 to the hospital. This money supports ward services, medical and surgical teaching programs, the home care program, the out-patient clinics, and the chronic disease division.

The Federation contribution is the largest single contribution the hospital receives annually from an outside source.

Employees who have not contributed to the Federation drive are asked to do so now and help support a truly important charity. See your team captain or contact the Public Relations Office.

Group Plan Begins May 1

A new group life insurance plan for Jewish Hospital employees will become effective May 1. The plan, underwritten by the General American Life Insurance Co. of St. Louis, provides life insurance benefits as well as benefits in case of accidental death or loss of limb.

The first payroll deduction under the new insurance plan will be from the May 5 paycheck.

The present group life plan, sponsored by another insurance company, will be automatically discontinued on May 1.

If you want details about the new broad-coverage, low-cost plan, you can obtain them in the ground floor Personnel Office. All full-time employees here are eligible to join the plan.

48 Get Service Awards At Recent Tea Here

Forty-eight employees received service awards at a tea held April 13 in Steinberg Auditorium. This was the largest number of employees ever to receive service awards.

Miss Avanelle Boyce, night nursing supervisor, received the top award for her 25 years of service, and Mrs. Mary Kallis, laundry press operator, got an award for 20 years. Making the awards were Mr. John M. Shoenberg, hospital president, and Dr. David Littauer, executive director.

Award winners included:

Fifteen years: Margaret Henson, communications; Vassie Kirkpatrick, Leatha McCarroll, Beulah Sanders and Anna Lee Thomas, housekeeping; Dorothy Schmidt, anesthesiology, and Margaret Peter, heart station.

Ten years: Odie Bates, Sarah Brown and Walter Cole, housekeeping; Lorraine Brown, child psychiatry; David A. Gee, administrator; George Horne, pharmacy; Helen Tolin, rehabilitation; Nellie M. Tracy, communications, Shirley Winfrey, public relations, and Lydia Woody, radiology.

Five years: Patricia Austin, radiology; Veda E. Bean, Lucy Daugherty, Mandy Ingram, Vera Neal, Esther Folk and Joseph Thomas, housekeeping; Dolores Higgins, anesthesiology; Matthew Brookfield, Lillian C. Dennis, Harvey Freeman, Bernice Hayslett, Joyce Ann Kemper, James E. Moore, Rita E. Rutledge, Manszella Trice and Marjorie Van Cleave, nursing; Freeman J. Burrow, laundry, Evelyn Goldfarb and Bozena Kallis, clinical laboratories; Dorothy M. Howard, out-patient clinics; Johnnie Mae Johnson, dietary; Virginia Krutztrager, admitting; Robert Straub, purchasing; Harold Thompson and John Younger, Sr., maintenance; Evelyn Whitlock and Betty Williams, medical records, and Shin Yeh Yu, experimental pathology.

The arrangements committee for the tea consisted of Boris Axelrod, Miss Marjorie Boulton, Mrs. Jane Kopit Antrim, Mrs. Bella Fendelman, and Robert Rubright.

Memorabilia of the late Dr. Max A. Goldstein, founder of Central Institute of the Deaf, are viewed by his widow at a current display on the hospital’s first floor. Dr. Goldstein, an eminent otologist, scientist, and writer, died in 1941. He was once director of the hospital’s department of otolaryngology.
We Matched! 19 Interns to Join Us July 1

Nineteen new interns will join the hospital's house staff July 1, it was announced recently by Dr. Morton A. Levy, chairman of the house staff and education committee. Eighteen of the interns were eventually to receive MD's.

Each participating hospital also submits a confidential list ranking, in order of its preferences, the students who have applied to it. NIMP then matches the student with the internship he rates the highest, insofar as the hospital's relative evaluation of the student applicant makes this possible.

The NIMP 1961 figures show 6,848 students participated in an effort to get their choice of 12,686 internships offered by 816 hospitals whose programs are approved by the American Medical Association. A mixed internship provides experience in two or three of the four specialties, namely medicine, surgery, pediatric, and obstetric services. In a mixed internship, the assignment to a major service must not be less than six nor more than eight months, and the hospital must have an approved residency program in that specialty.

According to figures compiled by NIMP, Jewish Hospital in matching 100% of those internships sought did much better than the national average. Among all U. S. hospitals, the percentage of interns matched was 52%; among Missouri hospitals, 39%, and among St. Louis hospitals, 44%.

Ten of the 19 incoming interns will be Washington University School of Medicine graduates and three will come from St. Louis University School of Medicine.

Here's A First Look At Our New Interns

Here are short biographical sketches of the nineteen interns who will join the staff July 1:

Floyd R. Barnhill will serve a general rotating internship. He is from Jonesboro, Arkansas and is single. He is a graduate of Arkansas State College and will graduate in June from the University of Tennessee Medical School, Memphis. He hopes to eventually specialize in otolaryngology.

Another general rotating intern, Rea B. Beck (Mrs. Joseph Beck) (Miss Beck) was born in Quincy, Illinois native and graduated from Washington University, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She graduates in June from the University of Missouri School of Medicine. She has served an internship in Puerto Rico and has been a blood drawer at Jewish Hospital. She plays the piano and likes tennis.

Benjie Boonshaft will serve a mixed internship. A Clayton resident, he is single. While at Washington U., from which he graduated in 1957, he served as editor of two campus publications. He will get his MD from Washington University School of Medicine in June. He externed here last fall and has a research fellowship in the medical school's department of obstetrics and gynecology.

Alan H. Edelman, general rotating intern, will be married July 1. He is a Phi Beta Kappa, will receive an AB from Washington University School of Medicine. He is married, with two children. He has been an extern here and did research in muscle metabolism at medical school.

Morton A. Levy, from University City, will take on a mixed internship. His undergraduate degree is from UCLA; he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, chief of Student Life, campus newspaper. He served an externship in San Francisco and has done research in hematology.

Serving a mixed internship will be Alan M. Londe, Washington U.'s member of Phi Beta Kappa and is married with one child. He has been an extern here and did research in muscle metabolism at medical school.

Herbert J. Waxman is a Kansas City, Mo. native who will begin a general rotating internship upon graduation from Kansas University School of Medicine this June. He has an AB from Washington U., where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He externed at Menorah Medical Center, Kansas City. Married, his hobbies include electronics and photography.

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Honors . . .

Ben Hoffman, JH board member, is new president of the Jewish Center for Aged . . . Board members recently elected to the Jewish Federation of St. Louis include Saul A. Dubinsky, president (who has resigned from our board to accept his new post); Edwin C. Shifrin, vice-president; Louis Tiger, assistant treasurer, and Charles Baron, secretary . . . Social service department director Mary F. McKeeve, has been appointed to the board of the Advisory Committee of the Missouri chapter, American Physical Therapy Assn. . . . Dr. Charles J. Chere was recently invested into Fellowship in the American College of Radiology . . .

1961 officers of the St. Louis Proctological Society include Dr. Jacob Stolar, president, and Dr. Samuel J. Freund, secretary-treasurer . . . Dr. Sidney Goldberg has been dually honored - he's new president of the St. Louis Clinical Diabetes Assn. and a board member of the Jewish Child Welfare Assn. . . . Regional vice president, American Institute of Industrial Engineers, is the title recently conferred on Dr. Joy Goldman, director of industrial engineering . . . Robert Rubright, public relations director, has been elected to the board of directors of the St. Louis Junior Chamber of Commerce . . . Dr. Aaron M. Bernstein has received Board certification in internal medicine.

Employees’ Health Service Opened

A health service for Jewish Hospital employees has been opened in the Division of Medicine clinic on the ground floor.

Dr. Sidney Jick serves as the employee health service physician. He is assisted by Mrs. Dorothy Howard, R.N.

Organized to serve employees who become ill or who are injured while on the job, the service is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Routine duties of the service include physical examinations for all new employees and annual chest X-rays for all hospital personnel.

Tunnel Project

50% Completed

The tunnel under Kingshighway at the Forest Park-Kingshighway intersection will be half completed on or about May 1. At that time, traffic will roll once again on the west side of Kingshighway while the east side of the boulevard will be closed to thru traffic for a two or three block stretch.

The project, begun last September, is about one month ahead of schedule, construction officials said. The tunnel will be part of the new Forest Park Parkway, which will extend west from Compton avenue and Market street to the St. Louis County line at Millbrook boulevard.

Forest Park avenue will be a virtual dead end at Kingshighway. Traffic coming west on Forest Park avenue will not be able to enter Kingshighway but will be permitted to swing around the center median and enter the Forest Park eastbound lanes. Ambulances and other vehicles will be able to use the Forest Park avenue ambulance entrance as usual.

To make a convenient swing-around area at the west end of Forest Park avenue, it will be necessary to carve out a 50-foot section of the present center median, thus removing 15 to 20 metered parking spots.

No parking will be permitted immediately in front of the building on Kingshighway. Although vehicles coming north on Kingshighway will be permitted to drive into this area as far as the front of the hospital to discharge passengers.

This new phase of the construction project should take about four or five months.

Sick Call . . .

Miss Nellie Tracy and Mrs. Thura Quilliam are back on their jobs at the switchboard, "all well" again . . . Taking their turns as patients recently were Mrs. Milton Meyerhardt, I. J. Flance, Michael Karl, and Gilbert Lassar . . . Personnel director C. F. Hutchinson is recovering after surgery.

Vital Statistics . . .

New babies recently arrived at the homes of the following physicians: Bernard DeHovitz, Lester Nathan, Noah Susman, Robert Ahlvin, and Sam Lugo . . . Another new set of parents is Mr. and Mrs. Harold Briggs. Harold is a technician in pathology.

New Faces . . .

Karen Hansgen is new secretary to Drs. Albert Wesslen and Jay Goldman . . . Robert Rubin helps keep the books in order in the accounting office . . . Messenger and clerk-typist in the division of laboratory is Sally O'Connor . . . Helping deliver the hospital's mail is Gussie Newman. Gussie replaces Judy Evans, now an addressograph operator in the admitting office.

Here and There . . .

William Barber, research associate in the Ellen Steinberg Department of Child Psychiatry, will deliver a paper on "Social Interaction and Severity of Emotional Disturbance" May 6 at the Midwestern Psychological Association annual meeting in Chicago . . . Robert Hickok, coordinator of the rehabilitation division, is serving on an educational advisory committee which is planning details for a two-week workshop in prosthetics (artificial limbs) to be held in Los Angeles in June . . . “The Hospital Pattern — Today and Tomorrow" was the title of a talk given by David A. Gee, associate director, at the annual institute of the 3rd district Mo. State Nurses' Assn. held this month at St. Luke’s Hospital here. Mrs. Paul Stewart, R.N., supervisor of the hospital's rehabilitation division, was a participant in a demonstration of rehabilitation techniques presented at this meeting . . . James Hepner, administrative assistant, will participate in an Advanced Institute on Hospital Purchasing, sponsored by the American Hospital Association in Kansas City in July. He will serve as a member of the Institute's faculty and will also act as presiding officer for one of the sessions.

Members of the medical staff bowling league will mark the end of their first season at a banquet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18, in Steinberg Auditorium. Dr. Murray Chinsky, league secretary-treasurer, is handling arrangements.

In Memoriam . . .

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Rose Glaser, bookkeeper, on the death of her husband, Mr. Glaser; to Mrs. Beulah Sanders on the death of her husband, Mr. William Haley.

Marks Named X-Ray Co-ordinator

Mr. Kenneth B. Marks was recently appointed as supervisor in the department of radiology to coordinate technical aspects of the department.

A St. Louis native, Mr. Marks attended DePaul Hospital School of X-Ray Technology and is a former clinical instructor of radiological technology at Cardinal Glennon Hospital.

Before coming to Jewish Hospital, he worked with a team of radiologists in Jefferson City.

Science Session Speakers Named

Three leading medical lecturers will participate in the fifth annual Scientific Session on Monday, May 8, in Steinberg Auditorium.

The guest participants will be: M. Edward Davis, M.D., Joseph Bolivar DeLee professor and chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology, University of Chicago School of Medicine and chief of service, Chicago Lying-In Hospital; Samuel P. Bessman, M.D., professor of pediatrics and associate professor of biochemistry, University of Maryland School of Medicine, and Isidore Cohn, M.D., associate professor of surgery, Louisiana State University School of Medicine.

The all-day program, sponsored by the Jewish Hospital Alumni Association, will begin at 9 a.m. with a talk on "Strangulation Obstruction" by Dr. Cohn. Dr. Davis will follow with a presentation on "Complete Caesarean Hysterectomy - Its Role in Modern Obstetrics," and the morning session will conclude with Dr. Bessman's presentation on "Recent Studies on Insulin Action and Their Bearing on Diabetes Mellitus."

After a luncheon in Steinberg Auditorium for hospital alumni and medical staff members, the audience will divide into three groups for panel discussions and rounds directed by each guest speaker.

The day’s activities will end with a banquet at Hotel Chase, with entertainment by medical staff members and the customary skit by intern staff members.

Dr. Leo A. Sachar is president of the alumni association. Co-chairmen of the program committee are Drs. Albert B. Eisenstein, Morton D. Pareira, and David Rothman.
Ben A’Kiba Aid Society Is A True Friend of the Hospital; Supports Play Therapy Department, Other Patient Services

The Ben A’Kiba Aid Society, founded in 1892, is one of St. Louis’ greatest wheelhorse — working steadily for a broad array of charitable endeavors.

The 500-member group has long been a friend and supporter of Jewish Hospital, as well as other area hospitals, agencies, and needy individuals. “We’re a local group interested in local projects,” a spokesman points out.

The group sponsors the hospital’s Ben A’Kiba Play Therapy Department and is pledged to contribute $1,500 annually for its maintenance, purchase of necessary appliances, and underwriting of patient care.

The Play Therapy Department was dedicated in March, 1959, the result of a $10,000 gift from Ben A’Kiba.

The three-room suite, located on the ground floor of the hospital, is used to screen applicants for possible admission to the hospital’s Ellen Steinberg Department of Child Psychiatry and for follow-up treatment and consultation with patients discharged from the unit.

A critical testing of both adult and child psychiatric out-patients referred by members of the hospital’s staff is carried out in the department. The area is also used as an out-patient treatment center for child psychiatry patients.

Ben A’Kiba, with 23 active committees, devotes many, many hours to numerous other local charities, although the Play Therapy Department is its largest annual project in terms of financial support. The group presents an annual Chanuka party and summer watermelon parties for St. Louis State Hospital patients, and has just furnished a kitchen there. The Jewish Center for Aged also benefits from the Ben A’Kiba program.

The Ben A’Kiba sewing committee meets each Monday to sew gowns for needy patients at hospitals. Jewish Hospital is a perennial recipient of this committee’s fine products. The gown project is one of the group’s oldest programs.

Ben A’Kiba loans wheel chairs, canes, and crutches to needy patients, both in hospitals and in their homes. The group shows movies to shut-ins and provides bi-annual parties for servicemen at the downtown USO.

Over the years, Ben A’Kiba has been extremely generous to Jewish Hospital, donating wheel chairs, clinic equipment, microscopes, chairs, examining tables, fans, and medical books. In 1947, the group voted to establish a fellowship in radiology for cancer research, which continued for several years.

President of the group is Mrs. Charles Lapin.

Axelrod Plans Israel Trip

Late in May, Boris Axelrod, food service director, will wing his way to Israel and the new Hadassah Medical Center in Ein Karem, Jerusalem.

He will spend three weeks at the ultra-modern, 700-bed medical center, organizing a food service program and serving as a consultant in all phases of food service there.

(In preparation for Mr. Axelrod’s visit, Mrs. Gerda Avnon, director of food service at the Hadassah Medical Center, recently spent three weeks at Jewish Hospital, observing and working with members of the food service department here.)

Mr. Axelrod is making the trip at the request of Dr. Eugene Rosenfeld, consultant for Hadassah, a national Jewish women’s philanthropic organization.

“I personally am very thrilled and honored to have been singled out for the job,” said Mr. Axelrod. “It is a tremendous challenge to me and a fine feather in the cap of our Jewish Hospital of St. Louis.”

If time permits, Mr. Axelrod plans to visit some relatives in Israel whom he hasn’t seen in over 40 years. He’ll also probably cross paths with his brother, Albert (of Scarsdale, N.Y.), who will be competing in fencing competition at the Israeli Olympics during the same month.

Mr. Axelrod came to Jewish Hospital four years ago from Newport Hospital, Newport, Rhode Island.

April, 1961
Virus Relation to Medical Problems Is Symposium Subject

"The Biological Aspects of Viruses in Relation to Medical Problems" will be the subject of an all-day symposium on Friday, October 13, in Steinberg Auditorium.

The meeting will be co-sponsored by Jewish Hospital and the medical schools of Washington University and St. Louis University.

Dr. Albert B. Eisenstein, director of the hospital’s division of medicine, is handling symposium arrangements.

Authorress Ilka Chase to Address Auxiliary at Luncheon Meeting

Miss Ilka Chase, authorress, actress, and radio and television personality, will speak at the Spring brunch and installation meeting of the Jewish Hospital Medical Center Auxiliary at 12 noon, Friday, April 28 at the Chase Club of Hotel Chase.

Mrs. Sander Zwicky will be installed for a two-year term as Auxiliary president. Other officers who will be installed are:

- Mrs. Milton Jasper, vice president, fund raising; Mrs. Rodrick J. Lewin, vice president, membership services; Mrs. Harry Hammerman, financial secretary.
- Mrs. Joseph Gutfreund, assistant financial secretary; Mrs. Joseph Berger II, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Richard Ferer, assistant corresponding secretary.

A fashion show featuring the newest creations will be presented during brunch by J. Rodrick’s of Clayton.

Mrs. Harry Laba is chairman of the program committee. Committee members are Mrs. Abe Lieberman, Mrs. Harry Bobloff, Mrs. Jane Foster, and Mrs. Robert Hausfater.

Pre-Dentists Feted

Undergraduate students from Washington University considering future careers in dentistry were guests of the hospital’s department of dentistry at a recent evening session here.

The role of a dentist in a large, general hospital was emphasized.

DOCTORS DAY

Physicians at Jewish Hospital were honored by the Women’s Auxiliary with free coffee, doughnuts and carnations on Doctors’ Day, March 30. Above, Dr. J. G. Probstein, surgeon, receives his boutonniere from Mrs. Walter K. Hamberg, auxiliary public relations director. Doctor’s day was a nation-wide project.

Administration Covers Weekends

Administrative Officers of the Day are now on duty week ends in the hospital to assist in any administrative or supervisory problems that may arise.

New Facts on Skin Revealed

Two Jewish Hospital researchers have revealed several new facts about the study of the human epidermis, the top layer of skin. The pair, Dr. Sam Frankel, director, department of bio-chemistry, and Dr. A. J. Reiche, dermatologist, reported their findings in the March issue of Journal of Investigative Dermatology.

Their investigation suggested that various basic protein constituents of human skin are very similar to those of animal skin.

Human skin, largest body organ, has important functions in the normal protein metabolism of the whole body, they reported. This finding is important, the team said, because of the relationship of normal and abnormal synthesis of protein which occurs in normal and in abnormal skin and probably in some forms of cancer.

The team compared living and post-mortem skin and discovered that since skin protein breaks down slowly after death, it is possible to utilize the easily available autolytic skin tissue for further research.

Research techniques were either modified, improved, or invented by the pair, because almost all procedures were done on microscopic amounts of epidermis.

Mrs. Virginia O’Toole gave technical assistance to the project, supported by a U. S. Public Health Service grant.

$500 For Books

The Jewish Hospital Nurses’ Alumnae Association recently presented a check for $500 to Miss Edna E. Peterson, R.N., director of nursing, to purchase books for the school of nursing library.

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