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Carlisle Hospital Timeline

- 1890—**The Carlisle Hospital's** earliest roots originate from the Lydia Baird home on East High Street. Carlisle's privileged women support this charitable home for poor elderly women.
- 1893—**The first patients** arrive at Lydia Baird about a month after the hospital/poor home opens. The arrival of patients who were Barnum and Bailey Circus employees makes quite a stir. Reportedly, excited hospital officials forget to call a doctor!
- 1896—**The Todd Hospital** opens at North West and "F" Streets in Carlisle. Funded by an endowment from Sarah Todd, patients pay a sliding fee based on their income. The first year is quite lean, with operations being done on the kitchen table. The board of lady managers asks for donations from the community and hold fundraisers which include the Carlisle Indian School band and orchestra. The managers also establish a tradition of hospital Donation Day, asking for everything from funds to bed linens. Many contribute, including Carlisle school children who donate one potato each. Todd Hospital closes in 1916 and transfers its assets and patients to the Carlisle Hospital.
- 1913 —**The Carlisle Hospital** is chartered. At this time, the community attitude toward hospitalization is that of a last resort. Most medical care is done at home, making many skeptical of such an institution.
- 1915 —**The hospital cornerstone** is laid in a Masonic ceremony amid speeches on the themes of health and cooperation.

A potato or horse chestnut carried in one's pocket will secure freedom from rheumatism.

Folk-Medicine of the Pennsylvania Germans by W. J. Hoffman
published in 1889

1916—**The 60-bed Carlisle Hospital** opens. In its first year, Carlisle Hospital records 350 operations, 38 births, and an average of 10 patients per day. The first new patient is Mrs. W. L. Goodling, and the first baby born there is George Barnitz, Jr.

To prevent the spread of a contagious disease within a household, expose sliced onions in sleeping rooms to absorb infectious matter.

1916—**First meeting of** the Ladies Auxiliary of the Carlisle Hospital. Later named the Women's Auxiliary, this social and activist group benefits the hospital in various ways and continues its work as the Carlisle Area Healthcare Auxiliary.

1916—**The hospital staff** begins a nurse training program. Young girls receive training from hospital staff, room and board, and a minimal salary for duties that include cleaning, laundry, basic nursing, and classroom work. The program ends in 1923.

1922—**Carlisle observes** its first Hospital Day on May 12th, Florence Nightingale's birthday.

1927—**A motorized ambulance** replaces the horse-drawn service.

1932—**Third floor** is added. Superintendent Viola Green (who served as hospital administrator, superintendent of nurses, operating room anesthetist, and sat on board meetings) spearheads many improvements in the late 1920s and 30s. The building is improved and space increases to 75 beds.

A bullet in one's pocket will prevent a toothache.

1935—**Oculist Katherine R. Cowell, MD** is the first woman to join the medical staff.

1938—**Fourth floor** is added. The hospital weathers the Great Depression, following its mission to never refuse care as a result of inability to pay. The managers even cancel "Donation Day" since there are no donations to be had.

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The Practice of Medicine in Cumberland County

By Randy Watts

The human body is an incredibly complex organism, and while resilient, is subject to attack by a wide range of diseases and illnesses beyond the ability of its built-in defenses to control. As such, humankind has turned to respected specialists for medical care since the earliest days of its existence.

Early medicine was based on superstition and spirits that were thought to cause sickness. With time ceremonial

To prevent a rare disease, a small portion

cures were supplemented by herbal and plant remedies – by 600 B.C.



To prevent a rash from poison ivy for a full year, eat a small portion of the root or leaves in the Spring.

there were hundreds of such remedies in use – some of which are still used today.

While there is evidence of medical procedures, likely as part of religious ceremonies in pre-historic times, modern medicine dates its origins from the time of Hippocrates (circa 400 B.C.), and his efforts to systematically study the body and utilize deductive reasoning. Progress in medical

research lagged during the Dark Ages and until around 1800 a common medical treatment was bloodletting, wherein the patient was purposely drained of blood to help cure them.

The use of this technique contributed to the death of George Washington, who was being treated for an infection.

Surgery came of age in the 1600s, mainly to treat battle wounds. The first successful appendectomy was performed in 1763, although operations to remove stones were performed prior to that time. Until anesthetic agents were developed

in the early 1800s surgery was extremely painful – in the Civil War soldiers were often given lead bullets to bite during surgery to remove limbs, giving rise to the phrase “bite the bullet.”

By the mid-1800s doctors were able to use microscopes to see cells and began to understand the role of micro-organisms in the causation of disease and illness. The germ theory of disease was understood by 1870 and by the beginning of the 20th Century vaccines were in widespread use.



The use of the scientific process to study the human body and its functions, the increased knowledge of chemistry and biology, and constantly improving diagnostic equipment has led to phenomenal advances in the art and science of medicine in the past century. Many diseases have been entirely

eliminated, some that were once fatal are controllable, and it is safe to say that more is learned in a year today than in the preceding millennium.

Hog manure or cow dung wrapped with red (must be red) flannel and placed around the neck for one night will cure an inflamed throat.

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August 25.



**Dr. J. G. Fickel making his rounds,
c1905**



**Sarah Thompson and two other graduating nurses,
c1899-1900**



c1860



Carlisle Hospital in the Welcome Home Parade, c1919

The Practice of Medicine in Cumberland County

When Cumberland County was formed in 1750 the practice of medicine required specialized training and education, making physicians esteemed and respected members of the community. Virtually every history of Cumberland County includes a listing of doctors, their education and discussion of their renown within the town where they practiced.

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Carlisle, May 20, 1793.*

Hospitals in Cumberland County

Carlisle

Until the turn of the 20th century, hospitals were looked on as places to be avoided, as patients were not generally admitted until death seemed inevitable. Even trauma victims were normally treated at home, where doctors visited to give advice, and care was provided by family members. The earliest hospital in Cumberland County was opened for the treatment of soldiers during the American Revolution at what became Carlisle Barracks.



The first public hospital accommodations in Cumberland County were provided by the Female Benevolent Society of Carlisle, which provided hospital space on the second floor of the Lydia Baird home. The home provided housing for elderly impoverished women was built in 1890 in honor of Lydia Baird, the sister of Mary E. Biddle, who provided the funding for its construction. In 1893, the

hospital space was opened “for the use of the sick in our community who are unable to have proper attention and comforts at home.”

An improved hospital was funded by Mrs. Sarah W. Todd and opened on North West Street in Carlisle in 1896. The 12-bed facility, which included an operating room, was dedicated in January 1896 and operated until 1916 when its functions were transferred to the Carlisle Hospital.

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The Carlisle Hospital was organized by physicians as a result of the progress of modern medical treatment and the need for specialized facilities. Incorporated in 1913, the 44-bed facility opened in July 1916. Over the years the hospital was expanded and remodeled numerous times to meet increased demands and accommodate improving technology. The last major renovations took place in the early 1980s. As part of the changing environment of health care, the Carlisle Hospital



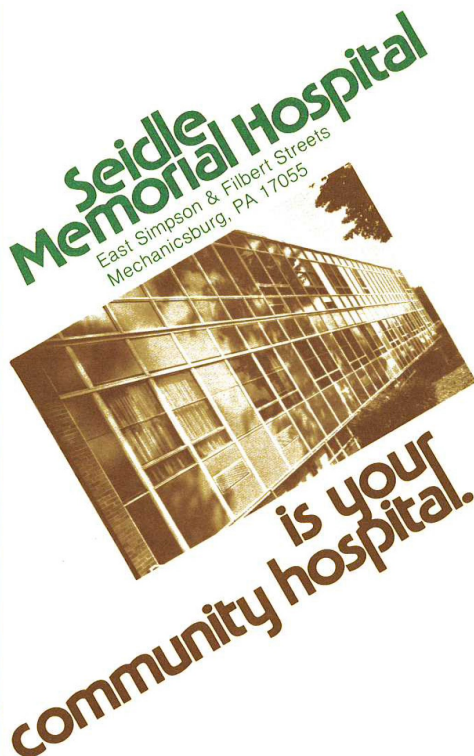
expanded to a number of other ventures through the final years of the 20th century. By then the hospital facility had become dated and needed major renovations

that could not be accommodated in the footprint of the existing building. Unable to afford the construction of a new building, the assets were sold to Health Management Associates, a for-profit health care conglomerate. Part of the agreement was a guarantee to construct a new facility within five years. This was done and in February 2006 the new 150-bed, for-profit Carlisle Regional Medical Center opened in South Middleton Township.

The revenue from the sale was used to create the Carlisle Area Health and Wellness Foundation. The foundation was established to promote the health of residents through a number of initiatives. In 2013 its name was changed to the Partnership For Better Health.

Mechanicsburg

The second hospital to open in Cumberland County was the Seidle Memorial Hospital of Mechanicsburg. Named in honor of David Willis Seidle, who provided an endowment to fund it after the death of his wife, the facility opened in September 1937. It was located in a converted residence of Dr. E. E. Campbell on the grounds of the former Irving College. The facility included four-bed wards for both women and men along with a children's ward and nursery on the second floor. It was staffed by nine community physicians.



The maternity ward closed in 1974 and the in-patient facilities were later closed when Seidle was merged into Harrisburg Hospital. The facility is now occupied by Fox Subacute which operates a 44-bed facility for patients on ventilators and other complex conditions requiring a level of care above that of a traditional nursing home

Enola

Cumberland County's newest medical facility is the West Shore Hospital located just west of Enola. The 100-bed complex opened in May 2015 and is operated by Pinnacle Health.

Put the inner bark of a wild cherry tree into a bottle of whiskey or brandy. Let stand for a week, then take for cough.

Camp Hill

Holy Spirit Hospital opened in March 1963, the result of a process started by local residents in 1953, to build a hospital on the growing West Shore. In their search for support, the committee contacted the Harrisburg Diocese of the Catholic Church for advice. They referred them to the Sisters of Christian Charity located in Mendham, New Jersey. This order, founded in 1849, and devoted to peace, justice and serving the poor, became involved in building hospitals in the 1950s, beginning with Divine Providence Hospital in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

They agreed to construct the hospital and purchased 26 acres of land just outside of Camp Hill in 1956. Ground for the five-story hospital was broken in March 1961. The facility opened in March 1963. The hospital has been expanded and renovated over the years and is now a 311-bed eight story building, along with the Ortenzio Heart Center which opened in 2003. As part of the changing landscape of healthcare Holy Spirit Hospital became an affiliate of Geisinger Health System in October 2014.





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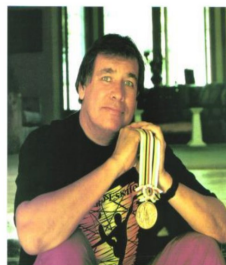
Carlisle Journeys: Celebrating the American Indian Sports Legacy

CARLISLE JOURNEYS 2016 SYMPOSIUM: Celebrating the American Indian Sports Legacy. Mark your calendars for October 7-9, 2016 for the second in a series of biennial conferences about the Carlisle Indian Industrial School. Our Key note speaker is Mr. Billy Mills, Olympic Gold Medalist in the 10,000-meter run in Tokyo, 1964.



Billy Mills, born and raised on the Pine Ridge Sioux Reservation, was orphaned by the age of 12 and sent to boarding schools. At the Haskell Indian School, Billy became involved in distance running and

earned an athletic scholarship to the University of Kansas where he distinguished himself as All-American seven times. He was commissioned an officer in the United States Marine Corps and also trained for the Olympics, making the team in two events – The marathon and the 10,000 meter run. He had trained his body, mind and soul for "Peak Performance" and the world was about to see the greatest upset in Olympic history unfold. An accomplished businessman, author, and National Spokesperson for Christian Relief Services, he has helped raise over 500 million dollars. The subject of a major motion picture titled "Running Brave," he has been a positive influence on many American youth. Billy Mills was recognized on several end-of-the-millennium lists, including *Sports Illustrated's* "Athlete of the Century for the state of South Dakota." In 2013 the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) presented Billy the highest award they give to an individual: The Teddy Roosevelt Award. Billy Mills will be the keynote speaker at the Carlisle Journeys Conference Friday afternoon October 7th.

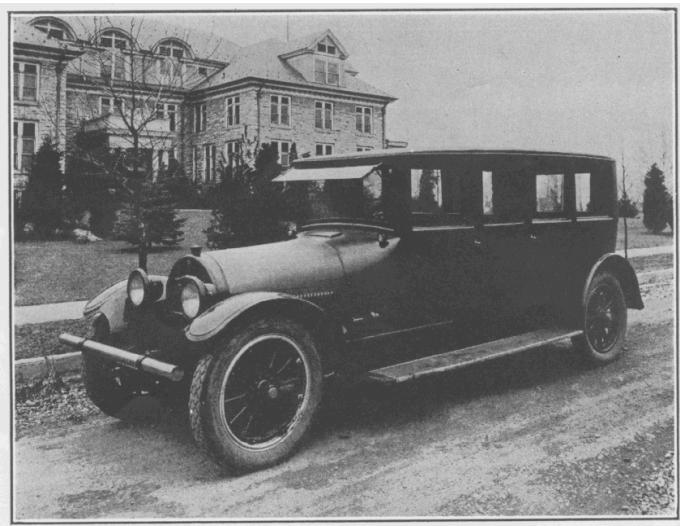


The conference is FREE but we do require pre-registration. You can register online at www.carlislejourneys.org

Ambulance Service in Cumberland County

The first known ambulance service in Cumberland County was started in May 1910 by the Todd Hospital. At that time the hospital purchased a horse-drawn ambulance. It was housed at Bretz and Bishop's Livery stable. Prior to that time most patients were treated at home and trauma victims were either sent home or placed in nearby houses where someone could care for them. Reading newspaper accounts of how accident victims were treated at this time clearly explains the low survival rates of the era.

The next ambulance service in the county was operated by the Carlisle Hospital beginning around 1916. The hospital also purchased a horse-drawn ambulance that was operated for them by Urie Lutz, a local undertaker. Around 1924 the hospital purchased a motorized ambulance and housed it at the Cumberland Fire Company on East Louther Street. The fire company organized a community ambulance service in 1928 and has operated it since that time.



Carlisle's free ambulance, c1925



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Carlisle Hospital Timeline Continued

1950—**A new wing** - “B” Building - opens, but the new 100-bed capacity is quickly reached. Hospital staff even stash babies in dresser drawers when there aren’t enough bassinets. With the advance of the baby boom, the hospital hires its first trained pediatrician, Dr. David Thompson. He is one of several new doctors hired at a time when medicine is becoming more specialized.

1950—**Practical Nurse Training Program** is established. The first male nurse, John C. Kolasinski, enrolls in 1958. The program ends in 1975 as trained nurses are moving on to work at other hospitals and not staying at Carlisle.

1953—**Carlisle Hospital** takes over the Visiting Nurse Service established by the Carlisle Civic Club in 1924.

1954—**Gift shop opens** and is managed by the Women’s Auxiliary.

1958—**The hospital is accredited** at a time when approximately 50% of eligible hospitals held that distinction.

Tea made of sheep cherries is given for measles.

1960—**Candy Striper program** begins. High school girls volunteer to run errands for the nurses, such as filling water pitchers and reading to patients.

1962—**Hospital addition is dedicated**, expanding capacity to 200 beds. Improved facilities include a laboratory, x-ray and dietary departments, a heating plant, physio-therapy section, modern emergency facilities, piped-in oxygen, and a recovery room in the operating suite. A high-tech pneumatic tube system carries messages or samples anywhere in the building in 20 seconds or less.

1967—**ICU is created**, one of the first in the area's smaller hospitals.

1968—**Chapel is dedicated.**

1969—**ER opens with** dedicated ER physicians. This department goes to 24-hour staffing in 1972. The program in Radiologic Technology is also established and continues until 1995.

To remove freckles from the face, one must rise on the morning of the first day of May, before the sun is up, moisten the hands with the dew upon the grass and wash the face therewith. Not a word must be spoken aloud either before or during this procedure.

1974—**Original hospital building** is demolished for modern addition.

1977—**The old hospital** building reaches its final form with 264 beds, though not without some pushback from the community on noise, limited parking space, and pollution.

1979—**The hospital is** one of Carlisle's largest employers with over 500 employees. The volunteer board struggles to keep up and votes to contract with an outside management service. The 1980s bring greater emphasis on preventative care and education, as well as changes in computerization, regulations, and an increasing role for insurance organizations. The public has more choice of hospitals within driving distance of Carlisle, and the hospital must continuously improve to remain an attractive option.

For adolescent bed-wetters relief is obtained by urinating into a new made grave; the corpse must be of the opposite sex to that of the experimenter.



Carlisle, Hospital, 1955-1960



Carlisle Barracks Mobile Hospital, 1942



**Dr. Given in the Hospital Dispensary at the Carlisle Indian School,
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The move to house the ambulance service in Carlisle's firehouse was mirrored in the coming decades in many towns throughout



the county, and until the 1970s, with one exception, Lemoyne, ambulance service was provided by volunteer fire companies.

The Lemoyne

VFW chapter started a volunteer ambulance service in 1933, and it operated out of a local funeral home.

The Rescue Hook and Ladder Company of Mechanicsburg

organized an ambulance service that began operation in June 1938, after the opening of the Seidle Hospital. Prior to that time service



had been provided by Harrisburg or Carlisle.

Ambulance service in the Shippensburg area was started by the Cumberland Valley Hose Company in mid-1931.



Until 1940 residents in the Newville area had to call ambulances from Shippensburg or Carlisle. To improve service in their area, the Friendship Hose Company of Newville began ambulance service in 1940.

Eventually ambulances were operated by fire companies in

New Cumberland, Lower Allen Township, Upper Allen Township, Wormleysburg, West Fairview, West Enola, Summerdale, Camp Hill, Shiremanstown, Lisburn, Williams Grove, Hampden Township, Boiling Springs, Mount Holly Springs and those towns already mentioned.

Today fire department-operated ambulances are located in Camp Hill, New Cumberland, and Newville; all the others have either gone out of existence, been merged into other



organizations or are operated by local governments.

The scope of pre-hospital emergency care was expanded to include para-medical services when the Carlisle Hospital established the first medical unit in Cumberland County in 1983. Since that time the entire region has been provided with para-medical services on calls where that level of service is required, greatly improving survival rates for serious medical and trauma events. In addition, a helicopter known as Life Lion and operated by the Hershey Medical Center, is stationed at the Carlisle Airport. It is used to transport critically injured patients to the closest trauma center.



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Mrs. Josephine Rice working at the Carlisle Hospital, 1950

Nursing Homes

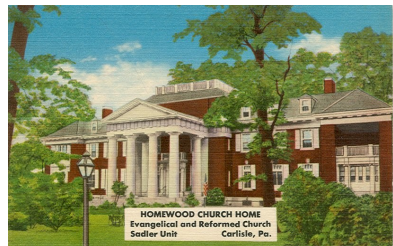
An Almshouse, or “Poor House,” was operated by the county prior to the Civil War to provide care to the poor and elderly, as a last resort. As noted above, the Lydia Baird Home opened in the 1890s to provide shelter, but not necessarily nursing care, to elderly females. After the Todd Hospital closed, the assets of the Todd estate were used to build the Sarah Todd Home (1912), again with the intent to provide shelter for elderly women. By the early 1900s the mission of the county’s home had switched to providing housing



for elderly patients along with the provision of nursing care. Around that time a number of facilities were opened by churches to provide care for their elderly members and others in the

community. These homes increasingly began to provide nursing care.

The field of long term care has grown rapidly since the 1970s with the implementation of funding provided by Medicare and Medicaid. Since then most “nursing homes” have been transformed into sub-acute care settings. As this has taken place additional levels of care have become common including assisted-living facilities and home-health care. Today there are dozens of long-term care facilities in Cumberland County operated by both non-profit charities and for-profit enterprises.





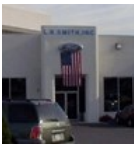
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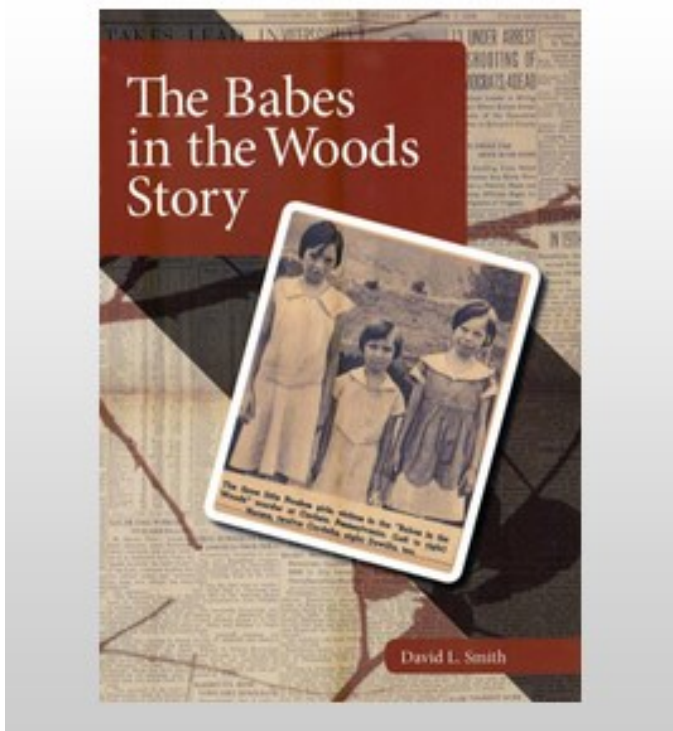
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Other Health Care Facilities

As the complexity of medical care has increased, a number of spin-off industries, such as pharmacies, imaging centers, physical-therapy facilities and rehab sites have been created. Cumberland County is home to scores of such facilities, many located near hospitals, creating regional clusters of health care providers.

As this is written, Cumberland County is still the headquarters of a Fortune 500 drugstore and pharmacy chain. In addition, a number of health and dental insurance companies have major offices here, further supporting the value of health care to the County's economy.

Current Health Care and its Costs

While the science of medicine has improved exponentially over the past century, so too has the cost of health care. Today there are numerous initiatives to reduce the costs via an increased focus on preventive healthcare and the use of less expensive treatment



venues, with the use of hospital based services as a last resort for severe cases.

Smaller hospitals have either closed or been merged into larger systems where they are part of a diversified network of treatment sites. The larger systems have also expanded into specialized areas of treatment and expertise to capture market share.

The concept of home-based healthcare practiced by physicians in decades past has disappeared and been replaced instead by large practice groups typically affiliated with major medical systems.

The first health care insurance program was founded by a teacher's group in Dallas, Texas, in 1926. At that time coverage cost 19 cents per month. Today premiums of \$700 per month are not uncommon.

Over the years, government insurance programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid have been implemented to provide coverage. Most recently the Affordable Care Act extended coverage to a wide range of people who could not get coverage under existing programs.



**Carlisle Hospital—A scene in the Operating Room, 1950
Dr. Charles Shaffer; Frances Neatherby, Instrument Nurse;
Dr. W.B. Stuart, Mrs. Lorrene George, Anesthetist**



Claremont Nursing Home, 1975



Carlisle Hospital, c1943



Nurses from Claremont Home, c1905



Dr. Judson Davids at the Carlisle Hospital, c1950



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Tournament Rules

-The Tee Markers are small plaques with a cross in the center framed with either white, black or red for respective tees.

All Ladies will hit from the Red Tees

All Men 65 and older will hit from the Black Tees

Men 64 and younger will hit from the White Tees

- Hole # 4 is the \$10,000 Hole – in-One hole. The prize is \$5000 for the golfer and \$5000 for CCHS. To be eligible for prizes all players will hit from the same Tees on the Par 3's, which are color coded Red, Black, & White.

Note: There are prizes on each par 3 except # 11 for “closest to the pin.” To be eligible ball must be on the green, not on the fringe.

- Hole # 11 is Old Hickory. All players must use a hickory shafted club which will be provided at the tee. Do not use a regular club from your bag on this tee. The names of all players whose ball **remains on the green** will be recorded and placed in a drawing for \$100. All players hit from the same tee.

-This is a scramble. The best ball of the 4 team players will be selected on each shot from the tee into the hole. **Each player must use at least three tee shots.** First ball in hole ends play.

-The ball may be moved one (1) club length, no closer to the hole, except when on the green, in a sand trap or behind a hazard (e.g. tree).

-The total number of strokes, using the best ball on each shot, will be recorded on the score card for each hole. At the end of the round, the 18 hole score will be totaled, signed and turned in at the pavilion. In the case of a tie, scores of the highest handicapped hole(s) will be compared until winner is determined.

-To maintain pace of play, please adhere to limit of one mulligan per player per round.

Carlisle Hospital Timeline Continued

1984—**Luella Davis Oliver Nursing Award** is founded by Dr. H. Robert Davis in honor of his aunt, who was a nurse at Carlisle Hospital.

To cure the mumps the swollen parts must be rubbed against such parts of a hog trough as have been worn smooth by that animal.

1980s to 1990s—**Partnerships and diversification** of services in this era include:

- Carlisle Hospital and Health Services (1980)
- Sadler Caring Center (1984)
- Advanced Life Support/ Medic 83 (1984)
- Carlisle Health Care Alternatives (1985)
- Hospice of Carlisle Hospital (1985)
- Silver Spring HMO (1986)
- Cumberland Crossings (1991)
- Carlisle Hospital Medical Care Foundation (1993)
- Alliance 4 Health (1995)

1995—**Hospital begins expanding** to a 25 acre campus on Walnut Bottom/ Alexander Spring Roads. Maplewood Surgery Center is built as the area's first outpatient surgery center.

1998—**Pain Management Center** is added to the new campus.

1999—**Oncology (Cancer) Center** opens on the new campus.

2001—**Health Management Associates** purchases Carlisle Hospital for \$41 million, on the condition that they build a new 150-bed hospital within five years.

One ounce of refined camphor oil, the ears of a weasel, a male weasel for a male, is proved and insured, by putting it in cotton in the ears of a man, to cure all deafness.

2006—**The new hospital** called the Carlisle Regional Medical Center opens, and patients are moved to the new hospital buildings in a massive parade that includes life support vehicles, wheelchair vans, and even a limo!

If anyone suffering from corns takes a small piece of cotton cloth, rubs it over the offenders and hides it, unobserved, in a coffin with a body about to be buried, the corns will leave him.

2007—**The old hospital** buildings are completely razed, and the old hospital lot returns to the empty land it was in the 1910s. Some of the stones were sold to hospital employees or as souvenirs. Carlisle Borough approves a subdivision of the hospital land for 22 homes.

2016—**The 100th Anniversary!** The new hospital has 165 beds and three floors. The hospital works to continue its mission of commitment to people, families, and the community. In turn, the hospital continues to be supported by many community organizations and individuals.

The Carlisle Hospital encompasses so much more than is shown on this timeline. Information on the contributions of various groups, programs developed at Carlisle Hospital, fundraising drives, and more photos can be found in *The Carlisle Hospital: The Most Important Building in Town* by Susan E. Meehan, for the Carlisle Area Health & Wellness Foundation. The Cumberland County Historical Society holds papers, photos, and other records related to the Carlisle Hospital and associated groups.





NEW HOSPITAL, CARLISLE, PA.

Thank you for participating in the 2016 Cumberland County Historical Society's Golf Classic.

The theme of this year's event is the history of Cumberland County medicine and the recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Carlisle Hospital.

The medical field has evolved greatly over the centuries. Hospitals have become a very important part of our society. From the time of birth and through out our lives, hospitals are there to help the members of our community. They welcome us into the world, help us heal, and help us find comfort.

We would like to thank local medical professionals for their hard work and dedication to helping those who need their assistance in Cumberland County.