Announcing the Gertrude Sensenbrenner Bergstrom Pavilion.
The five story South wing of St. Elizabeth Hospital was named the Gertrude Senzenbrenner Bergstrom Pavilion in recognition of the late Mrs. Bergstrom's outstanding dedication to the growth and welfare of this hospital.

The daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jacob Senzenbrenner, Mrs. Bergstrom served as Chairman of the Advisory Board of St. Elizabeth Hospital for 14 years. It was under her chairmanship in 1961 that plans were laid out for a major expansion and renovation project at the hospital. She retired as active chairman in 1966 and was made an honorary chairman when the advisory board became the board of directors in 1968.

St. Elizabeth Hospital is deeply grateful to Gertrude Senzenbrenner Bergstrom for her many contributions.

INTRODUCTION

The Gertrude Senzenbrenner Bergstrom Pavilion is one of the four wings of St. Elizabeth Hospital. A broad range of health care services and facilities are provided in the five story South wing including the Psychiatric Unit, hospital lobby, business offices, Intensive Care Unit-Coronary Care Unit, Concentrated Care Unit, and the Orthopedics and Obstetrics Units.
LOBBY

Located on the first floor of the South wing is the hospital lobby. A spacious entryway for visitors and patients, the lobby is also a contemporary sitting room with a desk and reading material available. For those too young for visitation, there is pint-size furniture and children's literature to occupy them while waiting.

On the West wall of the lobby hangs the Gertrude Sensenbrenner Bergstrom commemorative plaque. An information desk is located at the lobby entrance for visitors' convenience.

Directly adjoining the hospital lobby is a meditation room and an attractive gift shop. Business offices are located on the first floor South wing as well as the Data Processing Center.

PSYCHIATRIC UNIT

One of the most colorful and modern areas of the hospital is the Psychiatric Unit located on the second floor of the South wing. This unit consists of activity, dining, group therapy and examination and treatment areas.

Milieu therapy, which seeks to remove the psychiatric patient from the surroundings which aggravate his condition, especially influences the decor which is directed away from the typically institutional accommodations. To encourage self-care and foster the re-establishment of an everyday pattern of living, kitchen and laundry facilities are available. Carpeting, vinyl wall coverings, color variety and indirect lighting within this unit duplicate a homelike setting for the patients.

Focusing on the total treatment of emotional illness, several types of therapy programs are combined, tailoring treatment to each individual's needs.

The activities as well as the environment create opportunities for patients to resolve individual problems, discover more satisfying ways of living and develop a more meaningful perspective of life.

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT-Coronary Care Unit

Located on the fifth floor South wing is the Intensive Care Unit-Coronary Care Unit (ICU-CCU).

This modern, 14 bed unit is designed to provide patients with the most comprehensive care and comfort possible. The rooms, with glass walls and sliding glass doors, face the centralized monitoring consul. In the patient's room, behind each bed, is a medi-wall designed in modules to consolidate electrical, mechanical, medical gas and communication facilities into a medical service center. Each room also has a window and a clock to enable patients to stay time oriented.

A highly skilled nursing staff is always present in ICU-CCU with an average ratio of three nurses caring for every two patients.

The patient monitoring consul in the Intensive-Coronary Care Unit looks like a space control center, complete with oscilloscopes, digital read outs, lights and buttons. Here, bedside monitoring is possible for every patient in the unit as well as patients in the Concentrated Care Center through a system known as telemetry.

Another bank of monitors at the consul connects cardioscopes at five outlying hospitals by way of telephone lines. This remote monitoring provides continual observation and interpretation of patient heart rhythms there by a highly skilled medical staff here at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Directly adjacent to the Concentrated Care Unit is an x-ray suite containing permanent and portable x-ray equipment. X-ray is a valuable tool of the cardiologist and this averts any possible danger in moving patients for x-ray.

The Intensive-Coronary Care Unit at St. Elizabeth Hospital is truly a realization of artist conceptions and medical fantasies of twenty years ago.
CONCENTRATED CARE UNIT

Immediately adjacent to the Intensive Care Unit-Coronary Care Unit on the fifth floor of the South wing is the Concentrated Care Unit.

Oftentimes confused with the ICU-CCU, the Concentrated Care Unit is a separate and distinct area. It is a transitional care area for many of the intensive care and coronary care patients and for other patients whose condition warrants close observation. A specially trained nursing staff is on hand in a higher ratio than on regular floors.

The 13 room, 22 bed Concentrated Care Unit has a striking, color-coordinated decor. Mirrored ceilings with contemporary glass light fixtures are an unusually attractive feature of this section.

There are two family waiting rooms, comfortably furnished in an apartment-like setting, for the families of patients in both the Concentrated Care Unit and the Intensive-Coronary Care Unit. At the end of the South wing is another waiting room for the families of patients in surgery.

Perhaps one of the most unique features of the Concentrated Care Unit is the use of telemetry. Cardiac patients who no longer need to be bedridden can still have their heart rhythms monitored with this system. A small transmitter worn by the patient sends signals to a scope in the Intensive-Coronary Care Unit for continuous monitoring.

OBSTETRICS

Located on the third floor South wing is the Obstetrics Unit. This floor, consisting mostly of new mothers, also takes care of all the gynecology patients in the hospital. Occasionally, other non-infectious patients are treated here when space permits.

Geared toward making the new mother's stay as comfortable as possible, there is a contemporary lounge called the "Mother's Room" located at the entrance to the South wing. This lounge, complete with a colored television set, infant care film unit, tables and rocking chairs, provides a cheerful atmosphere for visiting and relaxing.

One of the most unique features of the Obstetrics Unit at St. Elizabeth Hospital is the Family Centered Care Program. This program involves both mother and father in active roles, learning about the physical and emotional care of their infant while under professional supervision. It is hoped that through this program, husband and wife will become closer at one of the most meaningful times of their lives—the birth of the child they have mutually created.

ORTHOPEDICS

The Orthopedic Unit is located on the fourth floor of the South wing.

This 40 bed unit is fully equipped to handle any type of orthopedic, or bone, injury. People with fractures, back pain, and those needing corrective surgery are treated here.

A wide range of special equipment can be found in this unit for the treatment of the orthopedic patient. Five circle electric beds are used in cases where immobilization of the spine is desired. This bed enables a patient to be turned easily from his back to his abdomen.

A variety of traction equipment is available, with rarely any two exactly alike. Individual problems and the doctor's goals will invariably alter every basic traction set-up.

The orthopedic unit is the recovery unit for total hip-knee-ankle surgery. This surgery attempts to help the orthopedic patient who, because of arthritis or joint deterioration, must rely on a wheel-chair or crutches. These joints are given artificial replacements and within as little as four to six weeks, many patients are able to walk unaided with little or no associated pain.