



PROVISIONALS ON TOUR — Alpha Charter Guild's provisional members took a required tour of Antelope Valley Hospital Medical Center recently under the supervision of Mrs. Fran Kuhn. Viewing the new environment, from left, are Mrs. Paul McManamen,

Mrs. Richard Culliton, Mrs. Bruce Hickert, Mrs. Philip Coussens, Mrs. Harold Tropp, Mrs. Tony Galier, Mrs. Wallace Spinarski and Mrs. Jack Wagner. Unable to take the tour was the ninth provisional—Mrs. Roland Lampela.
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Alpha Charter Guild provisionals take required tour of AVH Medical Center

As National Hospital Week (May 6-12) is observed across the nation, members of the Alpha Charter Guild to Antelope Valley Hospital Medical Center find themselves well informed about the Valley's only non-profit medical facility.

Provisional and active guild members met in the AVH Medical Center Staff dining room last week to learn more about their own medical center.

Eight provisional members—new to the Alpha Charter Guild—were taken on a complete tour of the medical center. Mrs. Fran Kuhn, RN, director of development, and Mrs. Phyllis Row, director of volunteers, were tour guides.

Active members, already familiar with the medical center, received a brief updating on latest services and equipment new to the AVH Medical Center.

Included was the shiny, new Gamsaec Analyzer for making automatic blood tests, which marks the beginnings of the computer concept as applied to laboratories.

Also in the laboratory, the guild members saw a new Coulter Counter which counts red blood cells by automation. Rodney (Ruff) Ruffell, chief medical technologist, demonstrated the new equipment.

A look at a patient room of

the future; color slides of an actual neuroradiology procedure in the special procedures' room; and an introduction to two new decision-making groups—the Joint Powers Board and the AVHMC Foundation Board—also were included.

The guild members, provisional and active, met two of Antelope Valley's paramedics, Walter Kimbrough and Al Stuart, who demonstrated emergency equipment and explained the role of the Paramedic in an emergency situation.

Paramedics, new to the Antelope Valley, are firemen especially trained to respond to all emergency calls.

The provisional guild members are the Mmes. Richard Culliton, Philip Coussens, Tony Galier, Bruce Hickert, Roland Lampela, Paul McManamen, Wallace Spinarski, Harold Tropp, and Jack Wagner.

Provisional members of the Alpha Charter Guild are required to tour the AVH Medical Center at the beginning of their membership so that they will be well informed about the medical center they represent.

Active members are required to learn about new services and facilities once yearly.

The theme of National Hospital Week well applies to the Alpha Charter Guild activities: "Your Hospital... A Caring Community."

Your Health... Our Common Concern".