



A big ship of the sky, the Goodyear Blimp "America," is appropriately named after one of the most famous vessels in yachting history. The airship's namesake is the yacht "America" for which the famed America's Cup sailing series was named after the inaugural race in 1851.

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Rector and Kleindienst Retire

Muriel Rector, Clerk Sr. in the Police Department, retired effective September 1 under normal retirement provisions. She completed over 24 years of service.

William N. Kleindienst, Technical Writer Senior in the Engineering Division, retired effective August 1 under early retirement provisions. He completed over 26 years of service.

Goodyear announces improved tire purchase plan

Additional improvements have been made in the Employee Tire Purchase Program as an incentive to get more employees to ride on Goodyear tires.

Effective July 1, employees making a new car tire change-over from a competitor's tires to a like number of comparable Goodyear tires will receive a refund of \$2.70 per tire.

Due to this change, after proper application for refund is made, the actual expense to the employee for a "bubble balance" will be only the tax on the transaction. Employee cost for a "spin or computer balance" will be \$1 per tire plus tax. (Employees will have to pay \$13.50 for a "bubble balance" and \$18.50 for a "spin or computer balance" at the store before receiving their refund.)

Bloodmobile on GAT Plantsite August 29, 30 and 31

The next visit by the Tri-State Bloodmobile is scheduled for August 29, 30, and 31. During the summer, the need for blood is more critical than normal—mark those dates on your calendar!

In March, during the last Bloodmobile visit, GAT employees responded to the challenge and insured continued coverage for themselves and their families. Eligibility includes not only employees and their immediate families, but parents-in-law, and all retirees and their spouses. Please carefully consider do-

nating during the visit in August to ensure the supply in an emergency.

Several modifications have been made in the donation procedures to insure minimum amount of time away from the job and the convenience of selecting a time which is most convenient for the donor. The Bloodmobile is scheduled for:

Monday, August 29 — 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 30 — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31 — 6:30

Goodyear Blimp kicks off GAT Anniversary Celebration

Goodyear Atomic employees and residents of Southern Ohio got a real treat recently as the Goodyear Blimp America lumbered here on August 13. As many GAT employees as possible were treated to a ride in the small gondola. The visit of the Airship America is one of the Goodyear Atomic Corporation's Silver Anniversary activities.

The rotund lady and her sister ships, the Columbia and the Mayflower, travel more than 100,000 air miles a year as goodwill ambassadors of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.

The ship is limited to only six passengers per trip plus the pilot. In order to give every GAT employee an equal chance to ride the ship, riders were selected at random by computer.

Maintaining an airship is no simple task. It is staffed with a crew of 22 (five pilots, a public relations representative, and 16 crewmen, some of whom are engine, radio, electronics and

structural experts). A special bus serves as a flight center and contains a special mast for landing the blimp if it should become necessary.

A large tractor-trailer rig serves as a mobile maintenance facility with all of the necessary equipment including a helium purification unit. A station wagon and sedan round out the rolling stock of ground transportation.

Safety is the primary factor in the overall airship operation. Although it is impossible to fly in some types of adverse weather, the America remains moored to her mast when there is rain and/or wind in excess of 20 mph.

The arrival of the Goodyear Blimp always brings with it much excitement and awe. Realizing the extremely tight schedule and very heavy demands it produces, many thanks to The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company and most of all to the America and its great crew!

THANK YOU "AMERICA"

PHYSICAL DETAILS OF THE AMERICA

Length:	192.1 feet
Width:	50 feet
Height:	59.5 feet from landing wheel to top of upper fin
Lifting Gas:	202,700 cubic feet of helium
Passenger Capacity:	6 persons in addition to the pilot
Power:	Twin 210 h.p., fuel injected, six-cylinder pusher-type engines
Cruising Speed:	35 mph
Maximum Speed:	50 mph
Range:	20 hours
Altitude:	1,000 to 3,000 feet normal; 8,500 feet maximum
Envelope or Bag:	2,400 sq. yds. of two-ply rubber coated polyester fabric

Until a new form is prepared, employees and retirees still can use the refund form by simply using the new refund figures. Consult the Employment Department for further details.

In sympathy

Carl Bauer, father of D. K. Bauer, D-331, passed away July 6, 1977.

Goodyear racing hats are available

Due to the popularity of the Goodyear racing caps, they are being made available to GAT employees at a special wholesale price. They are the blue hats with the Goodyear logo.

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appointment by calling a special Bloodmobile extension number anytime during the visit.

Complete directions regarding prescheduling, the Bloodmobile number, and other pertinent information will be provided to every employee.

Gain the internal satisfaction from having done your part to insure blood donor coverage for you and your loved ones. Please remember to preschedule, if possible, but at least make sure you donate on August 29, 30, and 31.

PLEASE DONATE!

GAT assists the handicapped and Vietnam veterans

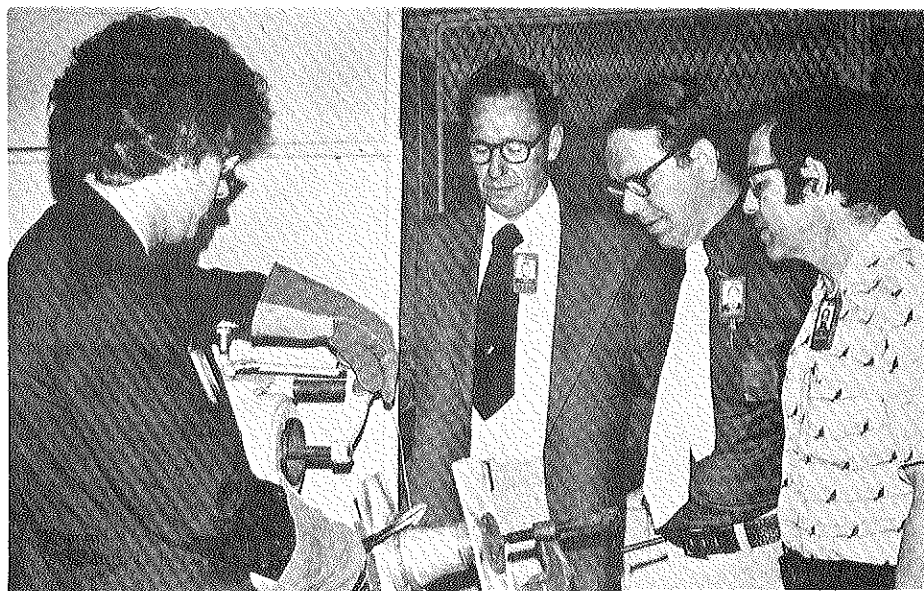
Goodyear Atomic Corporation is a government contractor subject to Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974. These acts require such contractors to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals, disabled veterans and veterans of the Vietnam Era. If you have such a handicap or are a disabled veteran covered by this program and would like to be considered under the affirmative action program, let us know by informing the Supervisor of Employment or his designated representative. Information obtained concerning individuals shall be kept confidential, except that (1) supervisors and managers may be informed regarding restrictions to the work or duties of handicapped individuals, and regarding necessary accommodations; (2) first aid and safety personnel may be informed, when and to the extent appropriate, if the condition might require emergency treatment; and (3) government officials investigating compliance with the Act shall be informed.

If you are handicapped and/or a Vietnam Era veteran, we would like to include you under the affirmative action program. In order to assure proper placement of all employees, we do request that you answer the following: If you have a disability which might affect your performance or create a hazard to yourself or others in connection with the job for which you are applying, please assist us by informing us of any special methods, skills, and procedures which qualify you for positions that you might not otherwise be able to handle because of your disability, so that you will be considered for positions of that kind.

Vietnam veteran is one who was on active duty for a period of more than 180 days and received other than a dishonorable discharge and/or is one who was released from active duty for a service-connected disability between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975.

Cost Reduction Honor Roll

Ralph D. Arnett	D-411
Louis R. Bickett	D-811
Robert R. Bouts	D-824
Bernard L. Bowers	D-123
James L. Eakins	D-712
Robert S. Martin	D-817
Mikeal V. Mullins	D-341
Ronald E. Parker	D-341
Ray Pritchett	D-735
Roy A. Ross	D-824
Estle S. Stall, Jr.	D-411
Donna L. Yinger	D-424



Pictured above L. to R. are Jim Eakins, Instrument Maintenance Mechanic, who suggested the idea; John Vastine, Industrial Engineer, who evaluated the idea; Roger McDermott, Superintendent, Shops Maintenance; and Joe Valli, Instrument Maintenance Mechanic.

A better way was found Eakins develops a better way which reduced cost

Many employees have the misconception that a cost reduction idea must be of great magnitude or can only be found in big projects to be worthwhile. James L. Eakins, an Instrument Mechanic 1/c, recently came up with a good idea using the best tool any employe can use—good old common sense. That is what the Cost Reduction Program is all about. As part of the changeout system, it is necessary to modify the bonnets on 24- and 30-inch control valves from a double buffer line system. The former process required the sealing of two parts by silver solder welding. The old process required two welders both using acetylene torches.

Jim Eakins felt that with a single welder using a hydrogen torch the same result would be produced with a reduction in welding fuel. Eakins was right—half the fuel was used and the operation completed by one

welder.

Annually, \$3,452.28 will be realized in manhour savings and \$266.50 in material savings. The total savings amounted to \$3,718.78 annually.

A tip of the hat to James Eakins who combined some good old common sense with his knowledge and skills to produce real savings. What procedure do you work with or what operations are you familiar with that could be changed or modified, resulting in savings or cost reduction?

NOTE: The former method used two acetylene torches operating at the same time in close proximity. Severe burns could result if the unexpected happens. The hydrogen method, in compliance with OSHA standards, eliminates the hazards. Therefore, the new method is also a safer one. Congratulations to James Eakins who found a less costly and also a safer way!

Profit is 3.7 cents per dollar GT&R announces record first quarter sales and earnings

Goodyear reported record sales and income for the second quarter and the first six months of 1977, reflecting a continuation of the momentum recaptured after last year's prolonged strike.

Second quarter earnings rose to \$70,000,000 or 97¢ a share, from the \$30,800,000 or 43¢ a share, reported for the same period last year.

The record quarterly income represents 4.1¢ on the sales dollar. Although this figure still is short of the Company's goal of earning 5¢ on every dollar, it was an improvement over the

second quarter of 1976 when the Company earned only 2.1¢.

Goodyear's second quarter sales of \$1,731,100,000 were up 15.2% from the \$1,503,200,000 a year ago. The previous high for sales in any quarter was the \$1,577,300,000 achieved in the first quarter of this year.

Net income for the first six months this year was \$129,700,000 or \$1.79 a share, compared with \$74,500,000 or \$1.03 a share, for the year-ago period. This represents 3.9¢ on each sales dollar compared with 2.5¢ for the same period.

Food for thought What is an American ?

He yells for the government to balance the budget and then takes the last dime he has to make the down payment on his car.

He whips the enemy nations and then gives 'em the shirt off his back.

He yells for speed laws that will stop fast driving, and then won't buy a car if it won't make 100 miles per hour.

An American gets scared to death if we vote a billion dollars for education and he's cool as a cucumber when he finds out we're spending 3 billion dollars a year for smoking tobacco.

He gripes about the high prices of things he has to buy, but gripes still more about the low prices of things he has to sell.

He knows the line-up of every baseball team in the American and National Leagues — and doesn't know half the words in "The Star Spangled Banner."

An American will get mad at his wife for not running their home with the efficiency of a hotel, and then he'll get mad at the hotel for not operating like a home.

He'll spend half a day looking for vitamin pills to make him live longer — then drive 90 miles an hour on slick pavement to make up for the time he lost.

An American is a man who will fall out with his wife over her cooking, and then go on a fishing trip and swallow half fried potatoes, burnt fish, and gritty creek water coffee made in a rusty gallon bucket — and think it's good.

An American will work hard on a farm so he can move into town where he can make more money, so he can move back to the farm.

When an American is in the office he talks about basketball, football or fishing — When he is out at the games or on the creek bank, he talks about business.

He is the only fellow in the world who will pay 50 cents to park his car while he eats a 25 cent sandwich.

An American likes to cuss his government but gets fighting mad if a foreigner does it.

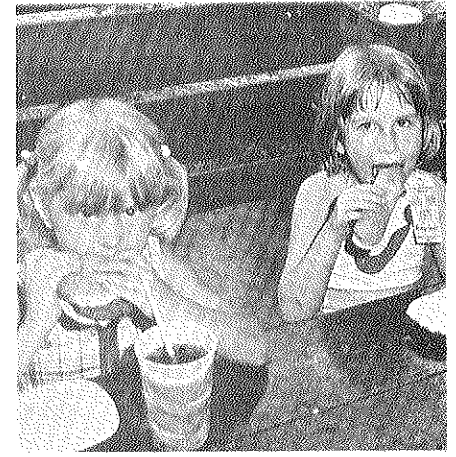
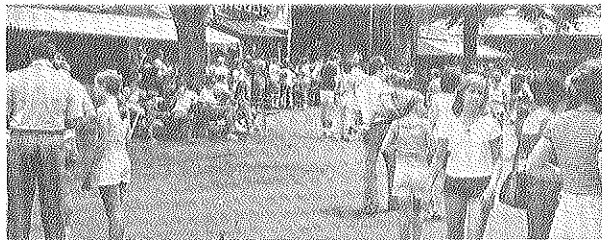
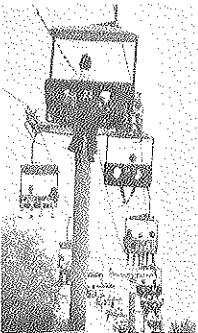
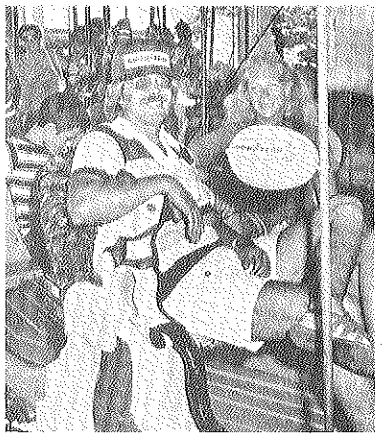
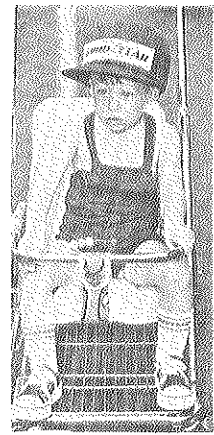
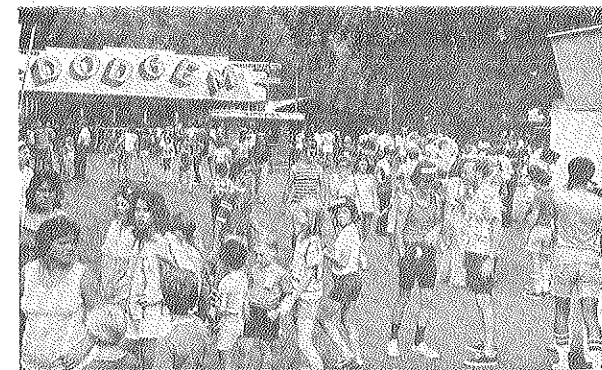
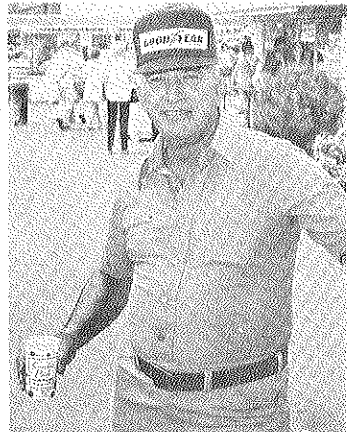
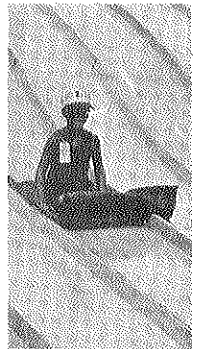
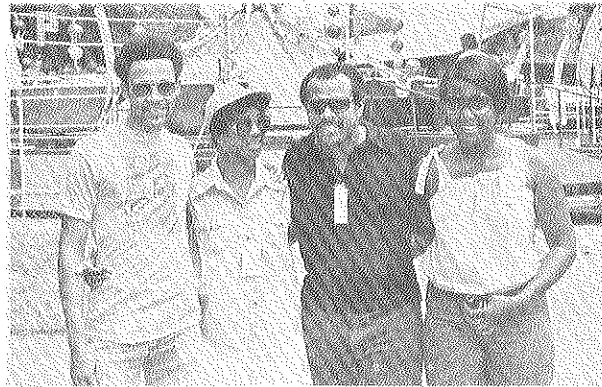
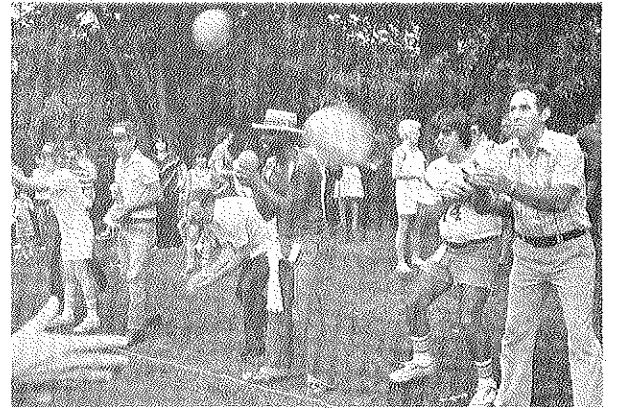
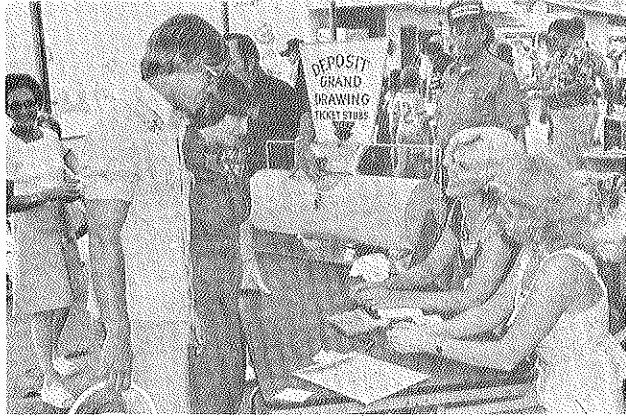
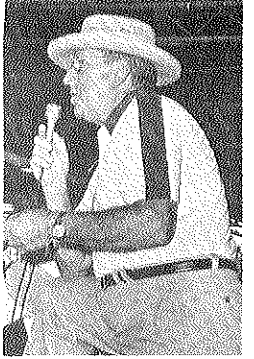
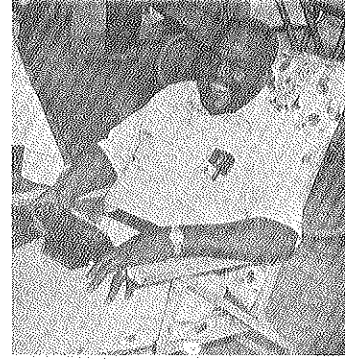
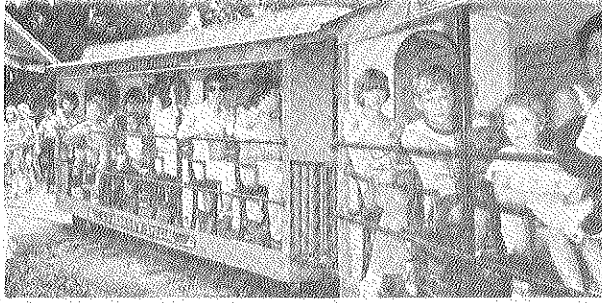
We're the country that has more food to eat than any country in the world and more diets to keep us from eating it.

We're the most ambitious people on earth, and we run from morning to night trying to keep our earning power up to our yearning power.

We're supposed to be one of the most civilized, Christian nations on earth, but still can't deliver payrolls without an armored truck.

In America we have more ex-

Goodyear Atomic Summer Picnic 1977!



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perts on marriage than any country in the world — and more divorcees.

But, we're still nice folks. Calling a person "A Real American" is the best compliment we can pay him.

Most of the world is itching for what we have — but they'll never have it until they start scratching for it the way we did.

— Author Unknown

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WANTED: Three (3) Jackson men are looking for a PAY car pool. Interested drivers contact 2013 or 2446.

ROOM to rent in Portsmouth. Call 353-7480.

FOR SALE: 18,500 BTU Chrysler Air-Temp Window Air Conditioner. Excellent condition—used only one season. \$200. Call 259-4071 after 5:00.

WANTED: Need additional driver for carpool, Waverly Estates area. Call 947-5957 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: Ben Franklin Fireplace with brass balls, bar-b-que grill, grate and screen. \$145. Call 947-4607.

FOR SALE: 1976 Jeep Cherokee Chief, 4-wheel drive, P.S., P.B., excellent family wagon and off-road vehicle, must see. Call 354-6313.

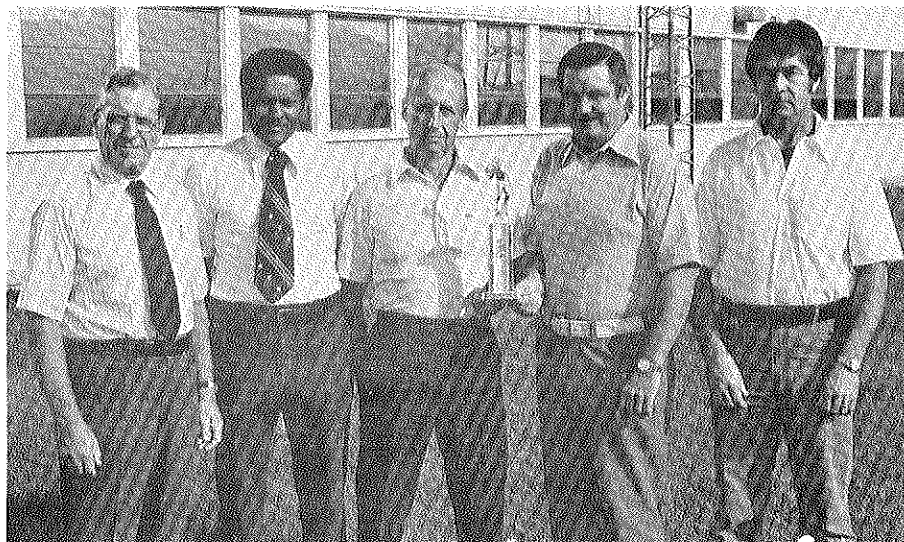
FOR SALE: 11.675 Acres approximately 3 miles east of Givens, off Old Route 124, on Cars Run. Good building site, on paved road, has a stream and a wooded area. Only \$8,500. Call 289-4274 after 4:00 p.m.

FOR SALE: House in Imperial Estates, Lucasville, 4 large bedrooms, 2 full baths, living, dining, and family rooms, large entry foyer, eat-in kitchen and 2-car garage. 2200 sq. ft. living area. Large wrap-around deck with terrific view and patio below. 16'x32' inground pool with concrete decking, fencing and patio. \$61,900. Call 259-2748.

Three complete training program



R. L. Scowden, C. C. Day, and A. L. Byrd (L to R) are receiving congratulations from J. E. Harshman, formerly Superintendent of Materials and Service. The three Foremen completed the training course, "The Successful Supervisor." H. D. Dautel of the Training Department coordinated the program.



GAT again captures five - plant golf tournament

The Goodyear Atomic golf team captured its third consecutive championship in the 11th Annual Goodyear Southeastern Open Golf Tournament held at the Fairgreen Country Club in Jackson, Ohio on June 18.

Members of the winning GAT team are: Fred Pickens, D-201; Steve Battle, D-932; Dean Miller, D-351; Bob Casey, D-711; and Dale Wickline, D-826. Bill Meyers, D-725, was absent when picture was taken. Other Goodyear teams competing in this year's SEO tournament action hosted by GT&R, Jackson, were Logan, Pt. Pleasant and Marysville.

At wholesale cost Goodyear racing hats are available

Many employes have expressed an interest in obtaining a blue Goodyear racing hat. As a result of the Indianapolis 500 Race, it has become a popular item for kids and adults alike.

In conjunction with the 25-Year Celebration, the Recreation Department is making the hats available to Goodyear Atomic employes at a special wholesale cost. There is no limit on the

number of hats an employe can order. The **deadline** for ordering hats is **September 12, 1977.**

To order a Goodyear racing hat, the following information must be sent to the Recreation Department, X-100 Building.

Employee Name:

Department Number:

Number of Hats requested:

Note: The cost will be approximately \$1.55 per cap.

Happy 25th Anniversary

Goodyear Atomic Corp.!

Employe Family Open House

Sunday, September 18, 1-6 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar!

Return Postage
Guaranteed

Goodyear Atomic Corporation
P. O. Box 628
Pikeon, Ohio 45661

What is quality? The rose is a quality thought

The Rose is a beautiful creation of God which exemplifies the quality of His planning. I suppose it could be said that the Rose was intended to assure us that quality can only be attained through planning. Since the Rose and all other creations of God symbolize the beauty of perfection, shouldn't we pattern our lives accordingly? Let's all strive for perfection in our everyday lives so that we can be assured of the quality of our nation's, future. (Photo shows a recent Rose of the Year, named "First Prize.")



The Rose

Waverly Women's Bowling League now being organized

Preparations are underway to organize the GAT Women's Bowling League in Waverly. The League bowls Tuesday evening, 5:45 p.m., at Weiss Recreation.

The League would like for more GAT employes and their dependents to participate in this activity. If any women in the area are interested in bowling either as a regular or substitute in the League, contact Sharon Wills, Secretary-Treasurer, at 226-4281; Barbara Cooley, President, at 289-2453; or the GAT Recreation Dept.

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