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## Around the Portsmouth Plant

More than 220 people from DOE and its contractors, vendors and other government agencies attended the 7th Annual Computer Security Conference April 10-12 in New Orleans. Curt Stollings (D-460) represented GAT and accepted a certification award in recognition of GAT's implementation of DOE Order 1360.2 (Unclassified Computer Security Program).

## Progressions and Promotions

Steven E. Wiley, from Engineer, Staff, to Programmer, Senior (D-266).

## Degrees, Honors and Awards

Thomas J. Stuart (D-447) received his master of business administration degree in March from Ohio University through the GAT Educational Assistance Program.

John Hall Jr. (D-454) was presented the United Commercial Travelers "Man of the Year" award at the organization's annual banquet March 31 at the American Legion Hall in Portsmouth. This award is presented annually to a local member who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and leadership ability. The fraternal organization is devoted to aiding physically and mentally handicapped citizens. John served as senior counselor for the 1983-84 year.

Chief Logan Council, Boy Scouts of America, Shawnee District, has presented the following awards to GAT employees: Hiking Scoutmaster, Doc Overly (D-713); Second Mile Award, Bill Childers (D-713); "Colder than Blazes" Hiking Award, Roy Manning (D-843); and District Award of Merit, Roger Overley (D-522) and Robert Neeley (D-533).

## Clubs and Organizations

The Chillicothe Goodyear Women's Club will hold its May meeting on May 21 at 7 p.m. at the Trinity Methodist Church. This is the annual salad supper and installation of officers. For more information call Nancy Waltermeyer at extension 2443 or 772-2797.

## Community Activities

Dr. Frank Bertram Jr. (D-521), Roger Jackson (D-551), Norman Reiter (D-521), and Dr. John Taphorn III (D-535) were judges for Junior and Senior Division projects at the Annual State Science Day at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, on April 14.

## Speakers' Bureau

Ed Draganovsky (Credit Union), Pat Donini (D-447) and Elaine Litten (D-621) were speakers for career day at Nauvoo Elementary School, West Portsmouth, on April 11.

Bonnie Rumble (D-566) spoke at the Wheelersburg Lions Club father-daughter pizza party on March 26. Her topic was "Women in Science and Engineering."

### Science Demonstrations

John Hobensack (D-511) and Chuck Lux (D-521) presented a science demonstration at Friendship Elementary School April 4. A total of 280 students grades K-6 attended two sessions.

### Obituaries

Evelyn C. Massa, 69, Portsmouth, March 10. She was a clerk (D-224) at the time of her retirement in April 1980.

Forrest L. Moore, 79, Piketon, April 9. Moore was a maintenance mechanic 1/C (D-724) at the time of his retirement in May 1969.

Mildred Keller, Oak Hill, April 7. Mother of Carol J. Vanmeter (D-501).

Colin W. Howell, age three months, Jackson, April 15. Infant son of Philip (D-511) and Cheri Howell.

### Service Milestones

30	Donald Reeves	725	05/03/54	30	Homer D. Smith	852	05/24/54
	Elza E. Brame	424	05/03/54		Dale A. Black	812	05/24/54
	Richrad L. Spaeth	511	05/03/54		David E. Daulton	823	05/24/54
	Wilbur S. Hayes	591	05/03/54		Allen L. Williamson	641	05/24/54
	William R. Gatrell	711	05/10/54		John R. Howerton	013	05/26/54
	Robert R. Skaggs	826	05/10/54		Donald L. Mullins	752	05/26/54
	Clifford C. Shapman	711	05/10/54				
	William T. Durbin	812	05/17/54	25	Raymond E. Grigsby	829	05/03/59
	Gerald R. Ashley	812	05/17/54				
	Donale E. Arnett	711	05/17/54	15	Alexandros C. Alatsis	843	05/05/69
	Edward W. Huels	711	05/17/54				
	James E. Grant	313	05/17/54	10	Selva J. Radabaugh	471	05/16/74
	Alva C. Evans	313	05/17/54		Lila J. Bloomfield	515	05/16/74
	Francis U. Green	313	05/17/54		David E. Morgan	578	05/16/74
	George W. Rudd	313	05/17/54		James A. Wade	578	05/16/74
	Homer C. Dyer Jr.	728	05/17/54		Donna L. Steffy	814	05/22/74
	Robert D. Whitt	727	05/17/54		Stewart A. Mell	411	05/28/74
	Albert W. Remy	742	05/17/54				
	Jules E. Ratliff	811	05/17/54	5	Carole E. Haines	565	05/01/79
	Bruce R. Lindsay	728	05/17/54		Daniel J. Charles	108	05/01/79
	William F. Byers	314	05/17/54		James T. Williamson	012	05/01/79
	Donald U. Woodruff	856	05/19/54		Karen L. Hollback	061	05/16/79
	Charles O. Spencer Jr.	156	05/24/54		Barbara A. Tracy	447	05/16/79
	Frank R. Hornback	712	05/24/54		Steven L. Johnson	526	05/16/79
	Norman R. Anderson	811	05/24/54		Sharon L. Reeves	307	05/16/79

### New Employees

April 16, 1984	Jay R. Howard	578	Engineer, Staff
	Rachel L. Condrac	285	Engineer

### Cost Reduction

The following employees submitted ideas through the Cost Reduction "I"dea Program from March 26 through April 6: M. C. Caudill (D-016), D. E. Rockhold (D-101), H. D. Harness Jr. (D-156), D. B. Rhoden (D-156), A. N. Herron (D-220), P. H. Mulder (D-365), M. S. Remy (D-453), S. A. Coffman (D-475), A. K. Bracknell (D-502), R. B. Cornwell (D-512), R. E. Dorning II (D-523), W. L. Gundlach (D-523), L. A. Zonner (D-523), J. H. Wingo (D-562), J. L. Moore (D-623), C. C. Conley (D-722), A. L. Porter (D-722), R. R. Waring (D-818), P. Y. Harrington (D-823), R. L. Stanley Jr. (D-823), J. R. Gedeon (D-842) and A. A. Stone (D-842).

### New Arrivals

Son, James Matthew, March 5, to Paul (D-516) and Suellen Simpson.

### Family

Robert Scowden (D-727) recorded a hole-in-one on the par 3 15th April 10 at the Oak Hills Country Club near Weekie Wachie Springs, Florida. It was witnessed by Lois Williams, mother of Carla Buckler (D-476), Scowden's wife, Betty, and his father, Harold, among others.

The first annual Pike County/Waverly sixth grade "Quiz Bowl" was conducted April 6 and 7 at the Pike County Joint Vocational School. Parker Elementary School won the event with Waverly North finishing second and Waverly West finishing third. Kim Waulk, daughter of Danny Waulk (D-446), was an alternate for the first place Parker team; Earlene Osborne, sister of Jeanne Osborne (D-454), was a member of the Piketon team; David Sandman, son of Russell Sandman (D-535) was a member of the Waverly East team; Ryan Jenkins, son of Jerri Jenkins (D-729), was a member of the third place Waverly West team; and Robert Christman III, grandson of Robert Christman (D-852), was an alternate for Waverly East.

### Recreation Review

Anita Brower (D-641), Sandy Crace (D-365), Debbie Barch (D-366) and Cathy Wiseman -- members of "The Bowling B's" team -- took first place in the Tuesday Night Bowling League in Waverly.

### News from Goodyear

Robert E. Mercer, Goodyear's chairman and chief executive officer, told a group of security analysts in New York recently that \$500 million is a realistic earnings goal for the company. Goodyear earned \$305.5 million in 1983 on sales of \$9.7 billion. Mercer referred to published estimates -- made last year by some outside industry observers -- that Goodyear would earn \$500 million for 1985. Mercer cited the potential of Goodyear's subsidiary, Celeron Corporation, a natural gas transmission and gas and oil production firm, and of its Goodyear Aerospace unit in stating that the \$500 million earnings goal was attainable. He did not say by when, however, nor did he give a sales estimate. "It is not appropriate to predict when Goodyear will reach any earnings milestone," Mercer said. He added that Goodyear is applying strategies that would make such a level a realistic goal. "Our strategy is building toward the day," he said, "when our aerospace and energy segments each contribute at least 25 percent to corporate income." In 1983, Goodyear's basic business, the production and sale of tire and rubber products, accounted for three-fourths of operating income. Celeron and Goodyear Aerospace accounted for most of the balance. Mercer said sales and income growth will come from high profit areas of the radial tire market in which his company claims world leadership, natural gas transmission and gas and oil exploration and production through its Celeron unit, and by acquisition. The chief executive said acquisition likely would be done through aerospace interests. The analysts were told that Goodyear has positioned itself through strategic investments, consolidations, technology and acquisitions to outperform the industry and to deliver "better than average" returns to shareholders.

At the annual meeting of shareholders on April 9, Mercer said with the American auto industry in good health and the U. S. economy continuing to strengthen, Goodyear has logical reasons to be boldly optimistic. He said the beginning of this optimism can be found in Goodyear's 1983 sales and earnings, particularly the fourth quarter. Fourth quarter net income was the highest of any three-month period in the company's history and sales were a fourth quarter record, he said. In 1983 worldwide sales were \$9.74 billion, 1.5 percent greater than 1982. Mercer noted that if unusual items from both 1982 and 1983 were excluded, last year's earnings of \$305.5 million would have shown a \$65 million improvement over the preceding year. "Our momentum should continue -- even accelerate -- in the coming months thanks in good part to the improving quality of our products, increasing efficiency of our operations, the rising economy in this country and economic improvement in some parts of the global market," Mercer said. Mercer cited the investment the company is making in research, development and advanced technology. An example, he said, is the recent introduction of the third generation all-season tire, the Vector, a tire

without compromise. "Vector gives a smooth ride, excellent handling, fuel economy and all-season capability," Mercer said. The tire is just one tribute to the total research and development forces that have been supported by investments totaling about \$3 billion in the past three years, he noted. Mercer said Goodyear is committed to remaining number one in the tire and rubber business but not to the exclusion of advancement in other areas. In 1983 Goodyear Aerospace continued its encouraging progress, with a sales gain of 22 percent and increased penetration of defense, transportation, energy and industrial markets. A record backlog of orders at year-end promises similar advances in 1984, he said. "The near term prospects for our international business are less rosy than those in the U. S. mainly because of the slow and uneven recovery from the worldwide recession," Mercer said. The economies of West Germany and Britain are expected to rebound well this year, according to Mercer, but the rest of Europe will recover more slowly. Latin American countries are pushing hard for exports to reduce their huge external debts. "We have done well in Latin America in the past and are cautiously confident its fiscal situation and markets will firm up," he said. "Asia," Mercer said, "is a mixed bag of economies where the future continues to look promising. As Asian countries acquire the capital to build their infrastructures, especially highways, motor vehicle and tire markets should have healthy growth in the second half of the 1980s. The economic outlook in Africa seems relatively bleak, except for South Africa. We believe our subsidiary there is contributing to both economic and social progress in that troubled land. Everywhere, we are utilizing the most advanced technology in the tire and rubber industry to increase our lead in product quality, to improve our production processes and not just to consolidate but to lengthen our industry leadership for the benefit of our 76,000 shareholders, our 128,000 employees and our many millions of customers," Mercer concluded.

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