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SPECIAL NOTICE

The Top Ten Club's "Hot Wheels" Bicycle Races, an activity which was scheduled for June 10 at the Pike County Fairgrounds, have been cancelled. President Norm Anderson has announced that the organization has shifted emphasis to the sponsorship of two \$500 scholarships in lieu of the races. Children of active Goodyear Atomic employees are eligible, and only seniors graduating from an accredited high school can apply. Applications for scholarships may be obtained from any Top Ten Club member or at the portals. Applications must be completed and postmarked by July 13, 1984. The college of the applicant's choice will be honored. Candidates for the two scholarships should mail applications to Bill Poor, Top Ten Club Advisor, M/S 1221. The Top Ten Club intends for this to be an annual project.

Around the Portsmouth Plant

General Manager Nate Hurt has commented on use of the Let's Talk Program, through which employees can obtain answers to special questions from him by dialing ext. 2800. "Infrequently, but at times, Let's Talk messages are not clearly recorded and it is difficult to determine who made the call," Hurt noted. "Therefore, if a caller does not receive a reply within 10 working days, it should be placed again." Hurt explained that the Let's Talk line is not for anonymous calls, because generally subject matter is one which deserves an answer. "If a considerable amount of time is necessary to prepare a reply, employees will be informed to this effect. An answer will then be forthcoming once it is prepared." Hurt asks callers to speak clearly and noted that all Let's Talk calls are handled in a BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL manner. "However," he said, "in order to investigate the problem, sometimes it is necessary to contact the caller and get permission to break that confidentiality to some degree."

Safety Scoreboard

Time worked without a lost-time accident through 5/31/84: 29 days (457,794 employee hours).

Progressions and Promotions

Hannon E. Hager, from Administrative Specialist to Maintenance Planner (D-742).
Willa Coleman, from Reproduction Operator to Records Analyst (D-452).
Elliott Wettstein, from Micrographics Production Clerk to Reproduction Operator (D-452).
Gregory W. Thoms, from Programmer, Trainee, to Programmer (D-447).
Timothy D. Schwartz, from Engineer to Engineer, Staff (D-731).

Professional Organizations

The Instrument Society of America (ISA), Scioto Valley Section, completed election of new officers at its May Minishow. Goodyear was well represented with the following employees elected: Eric Beltz (D-557), Section Delegate; Dave Boyd (D-522), Treasurer; Frank Cordier (D-557), Second Vice President; Peter Gross (D-557), First Vice President; and Tom Hoffman (D-272), President. Persons interested in joining ISA should contact the officers.

A new educational program -- "Listen and Learn" -- was introduced to the Capital Toastmasters organization on June 6. The program is designed to help build better listening skills.

Capitol Toastmasters, a local branch of Toastmasters International, meets at the William Henry Restaurant in Waverly every other Wednesday evening. The club is open, welcomes all persons in the area and is now enjoying strong representation from Goodyear Atomic in its membership. Toastmasters is an organization which is designed to give people opportunities in both prepared and impromptu speaking and the mechanics of communications. Skills learned can be helpful in a variety of settings, particularly in the work environment. At a typical meeting, members give speeches lasting from four to seven minutes and then are evaluated by other members. The evaluation consists of constructive criticism as well as highlighting of the good points of a presentation, aimed at making members more relaxed, accomplished speakers. GAT officers include Richard Couch, Dave Nickel, Larry Latta and Cheryl Hayes.

Community Activities

John Gedeon (D-842) recently was awarded a plaque from Pike County United Fund, Inc., in recognition of his service as 1983 campaign chairman for his dedicated efforts.

Sid Secrest (D-720), Shawnee District Council Boy Scout Camping Chairman, was commended recently for helping the council realize its highest summer camp attendance since 1976 in 1983. The summer camp program also received an "A" rating from a regional inspection team.

Speakers' Bureau

Connie Eckhart (D-441) was guest speaker at the Central Ohio Chapter of Association of Records Managers and Administrators May 17. Her subject was "Certified Records Manager - To Be or Not To Be."

Science Demonstrations

Jim Armstrong (D-551), Jodie Greiner (D-521), Norman Reiter (D-521) and Phyllis Zigler (D-741) presented a science demonstration program at the Adams County Fairgrounds on May 21. The Adams County Branch of the Shawnee Arts and Science Education Council sponsored the "Discovery '84" Day. A total of 1,650 students grades 1-6 attended eight sessions.

Tony Sturgeon (D-512) and Ron Wawro (D-521) presented a science demonstration at Portsmouth East High School on May 18. A total of 85 students grades 7 and 8 attended three sessions.

Obituaries

Harry E. Gowdy, 59, Portsmouth. A shift superintendent (D-071) with a continuous service date of September 1, 1954, Gowdy is survived by his wife, Marjorie.

Lloyd Fuller, Prescott, Arizona, May 21, 1984. Fuller was once Industrial Relations Division Manager for Goodyear Atomic and is survived by his wife, Gertrude.

New Employees

May 29, 1984	Kenneth M. Captain	313	Police Officer
	Jeffrey W. Simpkins	313	Police Officer
	Daniel E. O'Connor	721	Machinist AA
June 1, 1984	Julie D. Hines	206	Clerk I
	Susan D. O'Dell	307	Clerk II
	Cecil L. McCoy	452	Clerk I

New Arrivals

Son, Justin Nathaniel, May 8, to Michael (D-183) and Susan Green.

Son, Joshua Adam, May 8, to Bobby (D-511) and Sharon Fuhr.

Daughter, Angela Marie, May 9, to Alan (D-266) and Diana Morella.

Family

Michelle Skaggs, daughter of Ginger Skaggs (D-366), was awarded a plaque for a straight "A" average for this school year at West Elementary School. She also received a certificate for being on the honor roll all year.

Mark Wagner, son of Ginny Wagner (D-366), was initiated into the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi at Ohio University May 6. The criteria for membership require high academic attainment and sound character. Juniors must have an accumulative grade point average of at least 3.8. Mark is enrolled in pre-med chemistry and will be a senior this fall.

Christine Orlett, daughter of Mike Orlett (D-521), placed first in American history in annual scholastic exams conducted by the State of Ohio.

Melissa Griffiths, daughter of Beverly Griffiths (D-265), received a \$500 Patty Washam Memorial Scholarship and was second in the Roberta L. Grimes Commercial Award at Jackson High School. Missy graduated in May and will be attending Rio Grande College this fall.

Recreation Review

Ken Brakenbury (D-851), with his 1968 Camaro convertible, took second place honors at the "70-37 Cruise-In" car show sponsored by Wheeler Dealer magazine on May 19 east of Columbus. A total of 241 cars entered; 75 were in Brakenbury's class -- Modified Street Machine.

Home and Auto

Employees with last names beginning with H-I-J will renew vehicle registrations in June.

News from DOE

Jack S. Denton, Director of the Safeguards and Security Division of the Department of Energy's Oak Ridge Operations, retired June 1 after more than 40 years of federal government service. Denton was appointed to his present position in 1979 and has been responsible for management of security activities for a broad range of production research and development facilities in several states. The functions primarily include protection of highly sensitive information and special nuclear materials.

Dorothy Dare has been appointed Special Assistant to Joe LaGrone, Manager of the Department of Energy's Oak Ridge Operations. Dare, whose background includes academic positions and government experience in both Oak Ridge and Washington, D.C., replaces Ted Marquess, who earlier was named Assistant Manager for Administration for Oak Ridge Operations. Ms. Dare joined DOE in 1970 as an accounting intern. She since has held positions in auditing, accounting and cost analysis with Oak Ridge Operations, DOE'S Washington Headquarters and the Clinch River Breeder Reactor Plant Project.

Secretary of Energy Don Hodel has announced that the Department of Energy will "take steps to see to it that safe and economically feasible nuclear plants under construction can be completed." He emphasized that nuclear power needs to continue to be part of the Nation's balanced and mixed energy supply to help move America toward energy non-dependence. Rejecting any kind of federal financial bail-out in a speech to the Nuclear Power Assembly in Washington, D.C., Secretary Hodel listed several actions the Department is taking, including: Encouraging and providing support to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) in conducting "readiness reviews" of plants under construction to identify problems early, when remedies are most effective and economical; Encouraging the NRC to adopt a policy to handle last-minute allegations of safety, environmental, and quality problems associated with plants nearing completion; Determining the status of construction permits and the operating licensing process for plants that have been temporarily "mothballed," with a view toward minimal delays should a decision be made to complete construction; Working within the Administration to ensure that federal policies and programs that have major impacts on the nuclear industry are consistent

with our National Energy Policy goal; Appearing in appropriate federal and state regulatory proceedings to ensure that the National Energy Policy perspective is adequately presented and considered; and, Encouraging State regulatory commissions to permit inclusion of Construction Work in Progress (CWIP) in the rate bases of utilities under State jurisdiction. "These actions represent a new level of activity by the Department of Energy in an effort to aid the completion of projects now under construction which represent about \$60 billion of investment to date," Hodel said. "In 1983, nuclear power produced 13 percent of our electricity -- enough energy to have displaced 1.4 million barrels of oil per day and the equivalent of 35% of our oil imports last year -- and employed 225,000 people," he said. Secretary Hodel also urged passage of the Administration's Nuclear Licensing Reform bill which he called "critical to a healthy nuclear industry." He said the proposal "would allow nuclear plants to be constructed in seven years, rather than the current 12-14 years" and "would improve safety in nuclear power plants, provide for a more stable, and reliable licensing process. We continue to urge our Congressional committees to commence early mark-up on this important legislation," Hodel said. "The time for hearings is over. The time for mark-up is here."

News from Goodyear

A plastic resin that serves the beverage industry now delivers livelier tennis balls to center court, Goodyear's Chemical Division reported. The company's PET (polyethylene terephthalate) resin -- used since 1976 to create the most popular beverage container in bottling industry history -- is being used to make squeezable, transparent tennis ball containers to ensure vacuum-packed freshness. Named the Glastic package by Continental PET Technologies, a division of the Continental Group, the clear Goodyear resin container gives purchasers the chance for both visual and spection of its contents before opening. With a squeeze of its flexible walls, buyers can feel whether the container is pressurized, a key factor in tennis ball performance. If the pressurized container walls yield only slightly to fingertip squeezing, it indicates the balls inside also are under pressure. The chief element in a lively game of tennis -- player skill notwithstanding -- is the amount of air enclosed in a tennis ball, experts say. A tennis ball contains about 15 pounds per square inch (psi) of air pressure. If a ball containing 15 psi is not protected from the atmosphere by a pressurized container, air inside the ball permeates its walls and it becomes soft and less resilient. Tennis ball containers are pressurized to match the pressure inside the ball. Once the pressure in the container is the same as the ball pressure, the air in the balls is maintained. They have an indefinite shelf life as long as their container is unopened, the company said. Tennis ball experts say the leading cause of tennis ball air loss is heat. Some players store tennis balls in refrigerators to extend their lives. But even when exposed to heat, the new transparent ball container is prevented from losing pressure by PET's special properties -- the same properties that prevent loss of carbonation from soft drinks packaged in PET containers, the company said.

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