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FAMILY OPEN HOUSE ATTRACTS LARGE TURNOUT

Over 4,000 members of our Sangamo Weston family turned out Sunday, March 25, for a look at our plant improvements. Youngsters had an opportunity to see where Mom or Dad work. Retirees mingled with former colleagues. Refreshments in the Cafeteria meant a chance to rest and socialize. Special thanks to all the employees who acted as hosts and hostesses and arranged for the demonstrations in the various departments!



MEDICAL PLAN IMPROVEMENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN APRIL

General Manager A. J. Martin will be announcing improvements in our Medical Plan effective next week. Watch for the details in a special Benefits Issue of PULSE next month.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT COMPANY BENEFITS

Q. WHAT IS MY HOSPITALIZATION COVERAGE NOW?

A. When an employee or insured family member enters the hospital, our plan pays the first \$1,000 of covered expenses and 80% of any additional covered expenses. Inpatient hospital benefits are not subject to a deductible.

Q. WHAT IS THE COVERAGE FOR SURGICAL PROCEDURES?

A. The plan pays 80 percent of reasonable and customary fees for regular surgical procedures. Such procedures may take place in a hospital, as an inpatient or outpatient, or in a doctor's office. Surgical benefits are not subject to a deductible.

Q. WHAT IS THE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL PROBLEMS?

A. If a person is hospitalized for a mental or nervous condition, the regular hospital and medical benefits apply. Visits to a psychiatrist come under the annual deductible and after that has been met, the plan pays 50% of these expenses up to \$1,000 per calendar year.

Q. WHAT IF I HAVE AN INJURY AND GO TO THE HOSPITAL?

A. When an insured person is treated in a hospital outpatient department, emergency room, or operating room for an accidental injury, the regular hospital benefits are paid. For this to be applicable, treatment must be rendered within 72 hours after the injury.

Also, the plan pays covered expenses up to \$100, resulting from an accident, if those expenses are not paid by another part of the plan. Treatment covered under this provision may be in the outpatient department of a hospital, in a doctor's office or at home, within 90 days after the accident.

Q. I'VE BEEN WITH THE COMPANY 16 YEARS. WHEN AM I ELIGIBLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL DAY OF VACATION UNDER OUR NEW IMPROVED VACATION PLAN?

A. Hourly and nonexempt salaried employees are now eligible to accrue at the rate of 16 days of vacation after completing 16 years; 17 days after completing 17 years, etc., up to 20 days, effective on your service anniversary date. If you have already completed 16 years, your annual vacation accrual rate is 16 vacation days.

Q. WHEN WILL WE HAVE LONG TERM DISABILITY COVERAGE UNDER OUR INSURANCE PROGRAM?

A. Our Company Benefits experts are now looking at what we will be able to offer employees in the way of optional Long Term Disability coverage, with the employee paying for this coverage. A report is expected later this year.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to 11 Sangamo Weston employees observing major service anniversaries during March.

Here's the roster of 5, 10 and 15-year anniversaries this month:

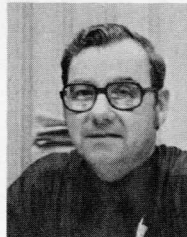
1974 - Ed Mongillo, Dick Crete, Peggy Glezen, Don Turrell, Curt Dyke, and Lee Ibsen

1969 - Chuck Goodwin (Data Recorders Service Engineer, Carson, Ca.), Dennis Funaiole, Gerry Maki.

1964 - Bill Gregory



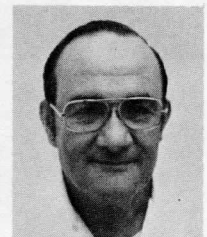
Ed Mongillo, Peggy Glezen, Curt Dyke, Bill Gregory, Lee Ibsen, Dennis Funaiole, and Gerry Maki have March service anniversaries.



Don Turrell



Dick Crete



Chuck Goodwin

FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM TESTED IN COMPUTER ROOM

A sophisticated fire protection system was tested last week in the computer room which houses Sangamo Weston's newly-installed IBM 370/145 business data processing system.

The Halon 1301 vapor fire control system works chemically to stop combustion while leaving plenty of oxygen in the air for people to breathe as they leave the fire area, and without damaging the expensive equipment or the company data contained therein.

Witnessing the tests was a Loss Prevention Consultant from our insurance underwriters as well as representatives of several local area fire departments, the fire protection system personnel and some of our own Data Processing staff.

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COMPANY AIDS IN KEEPING CAFETERIA PRICES DOWN

A company-paid subsidy agreement is now in effect to help keep prices lower in our Cafeteria. Under this agreement, Sangamo Weston, Sarasota, has pledged a substantial sum for the year to subsidize the Cafeteria food service.

"The roll-back in Cafeteria food prices that took place a few months ago was the result of Sangamo Weston management's decision to supply financial support in order to keep food prices down," Personnel Director Oti Rioux explained.

"We cannot, of course, guarantee that prices will never go up, but we are trying to keep the food prices as reasonable as possible for all employees, within the limits of our business/profit picture."

The actual amount of the subsidy to the Cafeteria depends on Sands' volume of business and profitability in the Cafeteria food service and in vending machines.

Bon appetit!

NEWS BRIEFS

Lee Gast, Jr., Manufacturing Management Information Systems Manager, has been recognized as a Fellow in the field of production and inventory control by the American Production and Inventory Control Society (APICS).

\$200 AWARD FOR PAPER



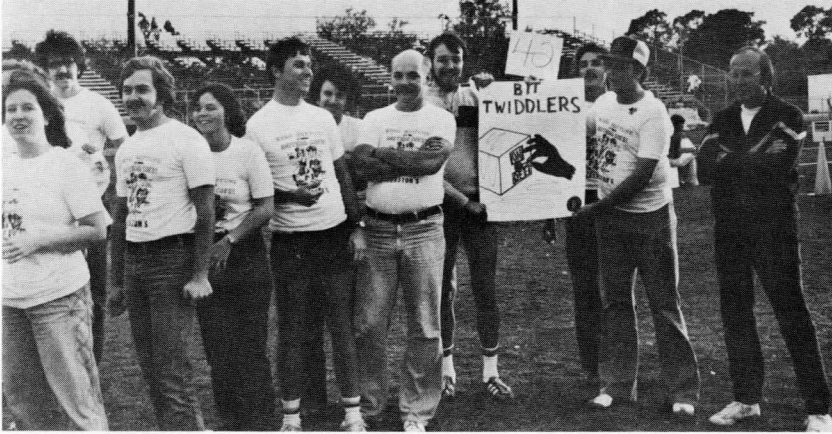
Bill Waggner (left) Senior Staff Engineer, receives a \$200 honorarium from S. Kent Morgan, Director, Data Systems, for the technical paper which Bill presented at the Florida Eclectic '79 Conference in Melbourne this month. The paper was entitled "Applications and Limitations of the Computer in Telemetry Ground Stations."

Our Data Systems Marketing Department continues to offer the \$200 honorarium to any employee who prepares and presents a suitable technical paper relating to our business. If you are interested, just submit the title and one-paragraph abstract of your proposed paper to Shelby Bass for approval before final preparation.

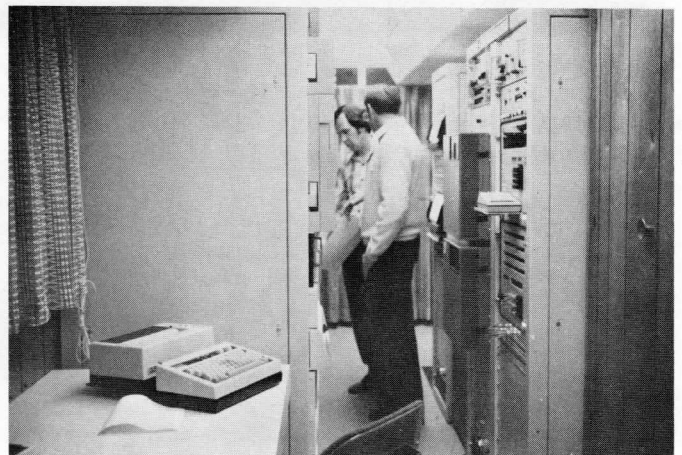
BIT TWIDDLERS WIN "ALMOST ANYTHING GOES" TROPHY

Our own Bit Twiddlers team captured the second place trophy at the "Almost Anything Goes" competition, part of Sarasota's King Neptune Frolics. On the team were: Captain Jim Massing, Debbie Atchley, Chuck Berster, Bob Brooks, Wiley Dunn, Pat Goux, Andy Hiley, Mike Hutchinson, Maryanne Meyer, Beth and Mitch Phillips, Ken Slezak, Paul Taylor and Joe West.

Valiant efforts were also put forth by our other teams: The Electronic Supersonics, Fruitville Funny Farm, and Rack Rats. Our thanks to Alma & Richard Sanger for these photos:



VAN-MOUNTED T/C SYSTEM DELIVERED TO CUSTOMER



Inside this van is a new Sangamo Weston/EMR telemetry/computer system which will be used in field testing armored combat vehicles (tanks). This van-mounted instrumentation system will travel to various field testing sites around the country, and the test data will be transmitted from the tanks, via antenna, to this van.

Two Sabre VI data recorders are part of the system. The test vehicles and operating personnel will be monitored for a variety of parameters, such as vibration, stress, and other data relating to the very sophisticated new experimental vehicles under development for this nation's defense.

Our Systems Assembly group, led by George Phillips, assembled and installed the equipment in the van, while Systems Engineering personnel Pat Goux, Gary Snyder, Ron Spadoni and Sue Sutherland were responsible for the overall system design and operation, according to Project Engineer Walt Knopik.

Ron Spadoni and Walt Knopik inside van.

WHAT'S SHAKING THE BED?

"What's shaking the bed?" That was the first reaction of both Dick Van Deusen (Industrial Products Engineering) and Joe Cornelius (Customer Support) when the recent Mexican earthquake awakened them from a sound sleep in their motel rooms in Irapuato, some 150 miles north of Mexico City.

The men were in Mexico for installation support of supervisory control systems sold to Mexico for that country's electric power distribution system.

"Gary Mixon and I had a similar experience on an earlier trip to Mexico," Dick reports. "Fortunately, there were no serious injuries or damage in our vicinity either time."