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WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Two CPS 100s shipped last week--on their way to upcoming telecommunications shows in New Orleans and Las Vegas, their first public showing. A bunch of creative types and a huge amount of lights and other equipment appeared in the CPS demo room on Monday. Our own Joanie Lahmers and Buck Tolbert are costarring with the switch in the 2-3 minute video. The flick premiers at the two trade shows in May.

Ray Shuford reports that our recorders on the just ending Endeavour shuttle mission recorded 145 tapes of really fine pictures of Earth. According to an AP story, scientists on the ground who viewed images from our tapes said the quality surpassed expectations. The astronauts and mission people were happy about their performance. The next earth mapping flight using our machines is scheduled for August.

Loral stock closed at 38 1/4 on Friday.

OR WAS THAT STORK A HERON?

Anybody lose a bird? There's a grey cockatiel (whistling or whatever) outside of Beth Reuger's office.

NOW THAT YOU'VE GOT YOUR TAXES DONE ...

Don't forget that your next big project is making sure all your pre-July 1993 Aetna claims have been filed. June 30 is the absolute deadline to file for reimbursement under the old Aetna indemnity plan. And have you read Benefits Bulletin # 3 which was mailed home last week?

VAILABLE: HOT JOB AT LORAL

Bill Wheeler has a summer opening for a student to help in the facilities department. Anyone with a son or daughter, 18 or over, who's looking for a summer job that involves a lot of painting should pick up an application in HR and return it to Phil Luquette. In the case of equally qualified applicants, we may use a drawing to fill this terrific job.

ROBINSON SHOOTS HOLE IN ONE

Jim Robinson experienced every golfer's thrill of a lifetime last week--he shot a hole in one at the Sarasota Golf Club. He dropped it in with an 8 iron on the seventeenth hole. He'll receive a certificate and a mention in <u>Golf Digest.</u> Jim's a 6 handicap golfer who is playing with Ken Coonce in Division 1.

The only bad news in this story is that if Jim had been playing the front nine, he could have won \$1 million in the Diabetes fundraiser they're running on the par-3 water hole. Better luck this week, Jim...and don't forget the \$5 donation!

HAPPY BABY NEWS

Harold and Willie Leslie are the proud grandparents of Emilee Louise Leslie, born on Tuesday, April 5. The little darling weighed in at 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 21 1/2" long. The almost as proud parents are Bruce and Laura Leslie.

NOTES ON OUR PEOPLE

As Joe had announced, there was a layoff in Manufacturing last week. We're sorry to report that Al Marion, Chris Lester, Cheryl Shearer, Barbara Bailey, Mary Francis, Susan Sparks, and Mary Elmore have left us. We wish them well.

In addition to the two voluntary departures reported in last week's bulletin, John Brisbin, Jr. retired effective last Friday. John, a technician in telemetry test, has been with us for over 30 years.

BAD HAT--GOOD CAUSE

A few wonderful folks have signed up to help paint, etc. on Saturday, April 30, at First Step, but there's plenty of room for more. And we've got <u>lots of hats.</u> The fun starts at 8:30 and goes until 4:00 or so, but you'd be welcome just for the morning if you've got other commitments. Spouses, big kids, and significant others are also welcome. Sign up on the bulletin boards or call Marie (x5525) or Jean (x6945) and we'll get you a hat and an invitation to the pre-thanks party on Thursday, April 28.

If you really can't make it and just have to have a hat, send your editor a really good excuse--the winning entry might be printed. How about a "Top 10 Reasons" list?