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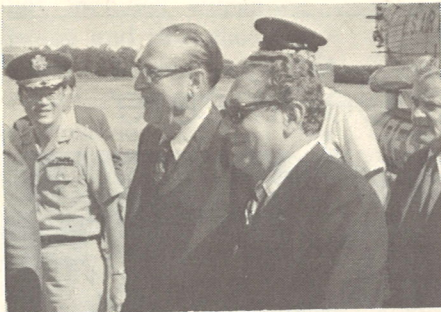
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## Secretary Of State Kissinger Makes Tour Of Safeguard Site

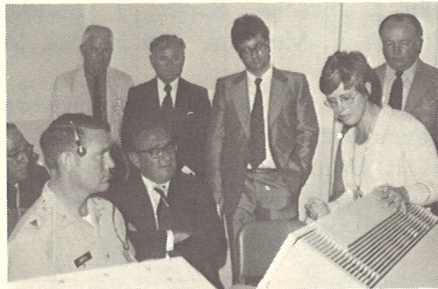
The North Dakota SAFEGUARD site was treated to a special event Thursday, July 25, 1974, with the visit of Secretary of State Dr. Henry Kissinger. Dr. Kissinger's tour of the PAR Building was part of his visit to the Grand Forks, ND, Air Force Base.



Dr. Kissinger and ND Senator Milton Young just after their helicopter landed at the PAR site. Col. Ton is at the left.

Western Electric's PAR Site Manager, H. E. Grieser, coordinated all the activities for the day, and W. L. Mraz, BTL System Integration, provided a SAFEGUARD System briefing and demonstration. S. C. McDonald, Manager-Site Activation, introduced the demonstration and briefing team to the honored guests. Major General Bates C. Burnell, Commanding General of the Ballistic Missile Defense System Command, was the Army host, and Col. J. G. Ton was the host for the SAFEGUARD site.

Among others, Dr. Kissinger's entourage included Mr. Hans-Dietrich



Virginia Lentz [r], IBM Software Supervisor, narrated the demonstration viewed by Dr. Kissinger and his entourage.

Genscher, German Foreign Minister; North Dakota Senator Milton Young; Honorable Berndt Von Staden, German Ambassador to the United States; and Honorable Martin Hillenbrand, American Ambassador to Germany.

During a press conference upon his return to the Grand Forks Air Base, Dr. Kissinger indicated that although he was familiar with the SAFEGUARD System, he had long desired to see the facilities and was very impressed with the demonstration at the site.



The Secretary of State greeted several employees after his tour of the PAR Building.

## Attends Honors Night Banquet In Washington

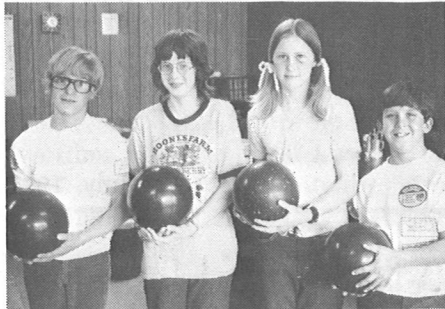
Warren F. Opitz, Site Manager for the Martin Marietta Aerospace team installing Sprint missiles at the Grand Forks, North Dakota SAFEGUARD site, was among the honorees at Martin Marietta's Honors Night banquet held in Washington, D. C., June 21.

Mr. Opitz, who attended the banquet with his wife, Cornelia, was recognized for "effective site management for Martin Marietta at Grand Forks, where Sprint missile installations are on schedule and within budget limitations."

Engraved silver Thomas Jefferson Cup trophies were given to Mr. Opitz and 78 other Martin Marietta employees chosen for their superior accomplishments from among the approximately 30,000 employees of the Corporation. This was Martin Marietta's 13th Annual Honors Night.



# Bowlers Take Part In State Events



Champion Bowlers: l. to r.—Keith Sobol, Kim Marco, Laura Harris, and Doug Boik.

Thirteen Junior Bowlers from Cavalier participated in the North Dakota State Bowling Tournament held recently in Valley City. When the final results were tabulated, the youngsters from Cavalier had come through with their usual fine showing.

Laura Harris (age 11) rolled games of 136, 137, and 162 for a 669 handicap series to capture the singles crown in her division. Kim Marco (age 13) bowled a 656 handicap series to place third in the same division. Doug Boik (10) and Keith Sobol (14) bowled a series of 477 and 431 respectively giving them a handicap total of 1,331 in the doubles event.

The boys missed repeating as state doubles champs for the second consecutive year by two pins. Doug also placed fourth in the singles competition.

More than 700 Junior Bowlers competed in the tournament and showed outstanding effort in all divisions.

Also participating in the tournament from the Cavalier area were Molly Sobol, Brenda Barnett, Shelly Sobol, Jennifer Laird, Earl Haneson, Randy Wipf, Alan Crittenden, Greg Barnett and Andrew Jessup.

# Certificates Of Completion Are Awarded 14 Supervisors

Certificates of Completion were awarded 14 Pan Am Supervisors for recently completing the Company sponsored Supervisory Safety Training Course. The Course consisted of nine hours classroom instruction, collateral reading and study with an examination administered at the end of the Course.

Supervisors successfully completing the Course are: William R. Scott, Robert S. Berry, John C. Morris, Thomas N. Legg, Gary W. Troftgruben, Betty P. Morris, Eugene A. Kinzler, Dale F. Kuzel, Donald E. Mittelstaedt, Shelby D. Gibson, Edwin L. Scates, Robert J. Readell, Eugene V. Mecham, and Patrick M. Restad.

Instructors for the Course were: Raymond D. Elke, Larry D. Tollefson, M. L. Hardman, Thomas E. King, R. F. Sorenson, M. D., and Raymond D. Roth.

Pan American recently completed 119 consecutive days operation at the North Dakota Safeguard Complex without a lost time accident, which surpassed the previous site record of 109 days.

Mr. Cecil C. Carter, Pan Am Project Manager, addressed the group on the importance of safety supervision and presented letters of commendation to the Course Instructors and Supervisors at a luncheon at the Nekoma Sprint Officer's Club. Certificates of Completion were presented to the Supervisors by Department Managers Mr. Thomas King, Base Services, and Mr. Joseph Herzog, Industrial Maintenance. Mr. W. R. Scott and Mr. Dale Kuzel were cited for attaining the highest course grades in their group; Mr. Robert Berry and Mr. Donald Mittelstaedt were cited for attaining the second highest course grades.

# Hegsted Presented Certificate

Lyle G. Hegsted was recently presented a U. S. Army SAFEGUARD Command (ARADCOM) Certificate of Appreciation by Colonel John M. House III, Commander of the U. S. Army SAFEGUARD Command, for his work in training U. S. Army personnel assigned to the nation's first SAFEGUARD Ballistic Missile Defense System Tactical Site. Hegsted, originally from Idaho, has been with the Western Electric Company Field Engineering Force since 1955.

Arriving at SAFEGUARD's MSR Site in the fall of 1972, Mr. Hegsted assumed the duties of Safety Engineer prior to becoming the ARADCOM Training Coordinator. Aside from his being an amateur radio operator, rifle maker, and coin collector, he is a licensed pilot and has built his own aircraft which is licensed by the FAA.

Lyle and his wife, Charlene, and



their two children are presently residing in Olympia, Washington, where he is employed at Pacific Northwest Bell.

## Editor's Quote Book

*Men are apt to prefer a prosperous error to an afflicted truth.*

— Jeremy Taylor

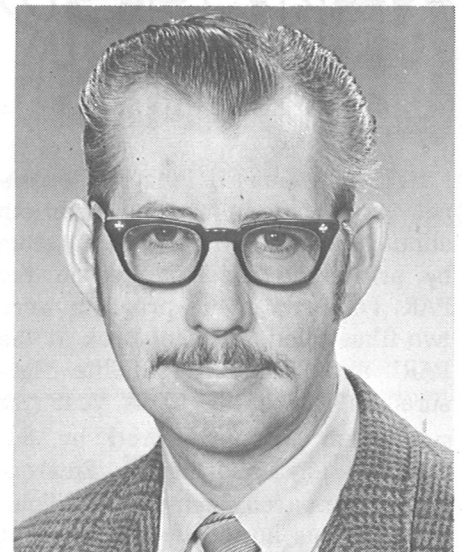
# Western Electric Promotions



Bob Davies, XO-0164, watches as Mary Chambliss carries out the traditional "tie-cutting" ceremony for his promotion.



August 1 was the promotion date for Bob Key to Senior Engineer. Mr. Key, who has been with WE since 1960, is in Dept. XO-01520.



M. H. "Mo" Cashion, XO-01540, was recently promoted to Senior Engineer.

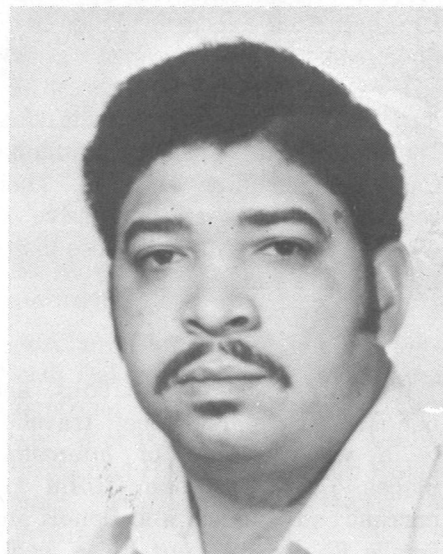
## Boy Scouts Return From Summer Camp

The Fox Patrol of Cavalier Boy Scout Troop 92 recently returned from a summer camp at Camp Wabaunaquat, Minnesota. The boys participated in various instruction that included swimming, canoeing, fishing and rifle shooting.

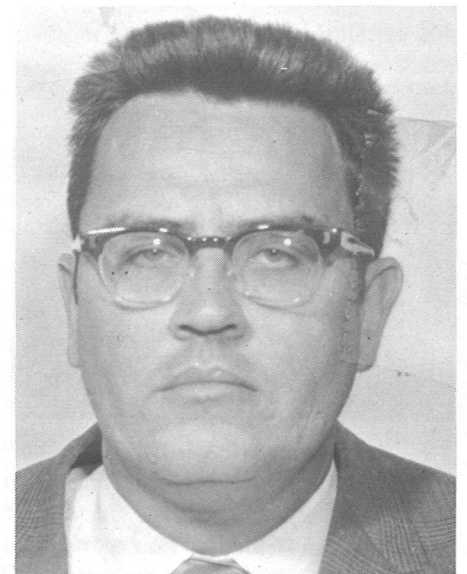
The following Merit Badges were earned: Pioneering, Tim Means, Darrel Freshour and Tom Flynn; Canoeing, Tom Flynn.

The following skill awards were earned: Camping, Greg Olsen; Cooking, Greg Olsen; Swimming, Greg Olsen; Hiking, Tim Means, Darrel Freshour; Physical Fitness, Tim Means, Darrel Freshour; Family Living, Tim Means, Darrel Freshour; Communications, Tim Means, Darrel Freshour, Greg Olsen; Environment, Darrel Freshour. Tim Means qualified for the Camp Wabaunaquat rifle shoot out. The boys were under the leadership of the Assistant Scout Master, Mr. John Dickerson. While at camp, Mr. Dickerson was tapped for the Order of the Arrow. The Order of the Arrow is a select group of outstanding scout leaders.

The regularly scheduled Tuesday night Boy Scout meeting has been changed to Saturdays at 9 A. M. The meeting place will be at Mr. Noel Thompson's for the remainder of the month of August.

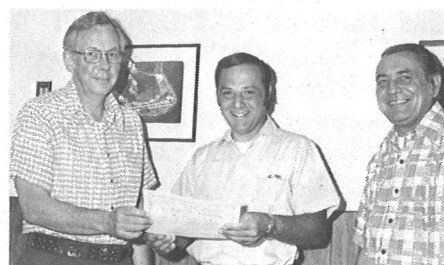


Leamon Benson, Dept. XO-01430, has also been promoted. Mr. Benson works for Bob Hensley.



Mr. R. W. Homan has been promoted to Senior Engineer. He's in Bill Elrod's department, XO-01510.

## Receives Certificate →



In the picture above, Carmen

Inteso [center] receives his Certificate of Clerical Cost Reduction from Hank Grieser, Manager, PAR System O & M. Carmen's suggestion, which resulted in an annual savings of \$37,407, was to gear the PAR Reproduction Facility to handle high volume offset press reproduction output by leasing the proper equipment. Carmen's supervisor, Jim Thompson [right] was present for the presentation event.

# Chatter

## about Site people & events

BTL and General Electric personnel participated in the twentieth annual Triservice Radar Symposium by presenting eight papers on the PAR. Featured in the program were two films titled "A Brief Look at the PAR" and "The PAR Satellite Measurements Program." This year the symposium was sponsored by the Willow Run Laboratories Environmental Research Institute of Michigan and was hosted by the Army at the U. S. Military Academy. BTL was represented by Messrs. T. W. Madigan, W. L. Mraz, T. L. Russell, D. S. Stewart, and A. T. Vitenas.

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R. E. Hovden — XO 0131, completed 30 years of service with Western Electric August 7, 1974. A Senior Engineer, Mr. Hovden has worked at many WE locations in the continental U. S., as well as Honolulu and Yokosuka, Japan. S. C. McDonald [r] congratulates Mr. Hovden.

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Mark Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carter (Project Manager-Pan Am), received a commendation from the N. D. State Bar Association upon his selection by the Langdon High School Faculty as the student that possessed the best understanding of the function of the United States Constitution. Mark graduated with honors from Langdon High School this spring. Good work, Mark!

Kristine Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carter — XO 01460, was recently selected to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. Kris will be a senior at Langdon High School this fall. Her selection is in addition to that of Jim Hodson (Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hodson — XO 8645, and Jackie Orrell (Mr. and Mrs. Jack Orrell — formerly XO 01410).

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A Softball team from the PAR site made up of Western Electric and BTL personnel won their League playoffs recently and will be participating in the North Dakota State Championship Playoffs in Bismarck, ND, in August. The same team also won first place in an Invitational Tournament in Gretna, Manitoba, Canada, held July 24, 1974. Their season record is an impressive 27 wins, 11 losses, with 8 of those losses by only one run!

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It's the season of vacations, and our site people have been traveling to a wide variety of interesting places. Dave and Joan Griffin are currently in Jamaica, and Dennis and Estelle Rapisardi spent three weeks in Europe, and so did the Sam Gilleys. The Joe Williams family vacationed at Disney World, and the Neal Hodsons and Steve McDonalds went to Mexico City, Merida and Cozomel in Mexico. Bob and Gloria Law spent their vacation in England and Mallorca, and Barb and Ted Wege took an early summer trip to Germany. Several other WECO employees have spent their vacations at locations a little closer to North Dakota, such as Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks, the Black Hills in South Dakota, the Badlands in North Dakota, and various points in Canada.



More vacationers — Bob and Stella Rager had this photo taken when they were in Hawaii this spring. Since Bob had spent two years at Schofield Army Barracks, he was a good tour guide for his wife's first visit. After touring Oahu, the Ragers visited the "Big Island" of Hawaii where they saw an active volcano eruption.

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Above is a picture of the PAR Busters bowling team who won the City Championship of Cavalier, N. D., this season. Pictured, left to right, John Samson, owner, J & H Lanes, Don Gagnon, Nord Dietz, Roy Scheller, Russ Sitts, and Fred Donati.

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