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NAL ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT TO RE-LOCATE

In late October, the NAL Accounting Department is scheduled to move to a new location—the former church on Wilson Road, not far from the western edge of the Laboratory site. The move will, for the first time, consolidate all of the personnel of the department which has up to now been spread out in four houses in the Village. It is also a prelude to the eventual move by units of the Business office into permanent quarters in the high-rise building now under construction at the Central Laboratory area.

James Ekberg, head of the Accounting section, is in charge of the 29 men and women in the department, which now writes some 3,000 checks a month on accounts payable and 4,200 payroll checks a month. (During the six months ending June 30th, the NAL Purchasing Department dealt with 2,200 different vendors, supplying the specialized materials needed for NAL's unique requirements.)

Ekberg came to NAL in November, 1968, from Victor Comptometer Company in Chicago. A graduate of Northern Michigan University in accounting and business administration, he specialized in systems and auditing. Within a short time after the first groundbreaking at NAL in December of 1968, the gigantic construction effort rolled ahead with the accompanying paper work that had to be quickly systematized and maintained. As early as May, 1969, John Pollock, Jim Ekberg, and Jerry Boon had put on the computer the basic cost and commitment accounting that has since

guided the NAL administration through the various construction, development, and fiscal problems inherent in such a project. In the Spring of 1971, Ekberg updated the system further so that an invoice is entered into the cost accounting system when it is received in the mail.

The budgetary control system now being instituted at NAL will also be easily absorbed into accounting's reports. "I believe that each section leader will easily be able to do his own analysis from our reports," Ekberg says.

A sign of the progress in the general development of NAL shows up in accounting's latest innovation -- a billing procedure. Visiting experimentalists are now being billed for supplies, housing, and other services furnished by various



....Jim Ekberg (R.), head of the NAL Accounting Department, reviewing ledger reports with Jerry Boon, also of Accounting....



....Ken Fischer (L.) and Joe Mistal, NAL accountants, awaiting a report from Bernice Wilkas, NCR Operator.

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Photos by Francine Pisarek, NAL

NAL departments.

Said Paul Reardon, Director of Business Administration: "The Accounting section at NAL which includes mainly the accounts payable and payroll groups, also assists in budget preparation. In the past year, due to improved procedures set up by Jim Ekberg, we have been able to greatly improve our turn-around time in the payment of bills.

"We find that as new sections are being set up, the liaison between them and the accounting group is particularly good, and this follows the tradition of the Business Office in trying to have its activities in the mainstream of the laboratory's efforts; not a separate, isolated entity."



....Two members of the very popular NAL payroll department--Jo Baaske (L.) and Shirley Bickel, who heads the department....

EVERYBODY LIKES OUR FELICIA....

The fame of Felicia Ferret, NAL's own special, fur-lined pipe cleaner, has spread wide and far. She is the subject of an article in the current issue of TIME magazine, and the story of her unique talent will shortly appear in England. Felicia has been the theme of editorials in two Chicago newspapers and has prompted many inquiries, suggestions, and smiles of approval from the general public.

Adding to the store of information on ferrets in general, one question and answer article about Felicia's ancestors reports that the Department of Interior considers the ferret an endangered species and that, in 1970, action was taken to save the ferret population. A native of Africa, the ferret is now officially welcome in the State of South Dakota which has signed a cooperative agreement with the Interior Department to protect the ferret on 42,000 acres of the Badlands.

In an interview with Felicia's previous owner, Stan Fredin of Gaylord, Minnesota, a Minneapolis paper headlines, "Can a girl with three-color hair make it big in the electronic age?" Fredin notes that a ferret has brown, white and black hair all on one small, elastic body. Fredin is pleased at the sudden fame of one of the 300-400 ferrets he has raised over the years as a hobby. He also raises rare ducks, geese, and pheasants.



...Children of all ages and sizes gathered on Sunday, September 26th for the Fishing Derby sponsored by the NALREC group for NAL families, held at the Fire Pond behind the Curia in the NAL Village.



...Prizewinners--Left to Right: Doug Maibenco, Jim Thompson, Deanna Thompson, Evelyn Reid, and Mrs. Carol Olson (rear) who caught the first fish of the day.

NANCY CARRIGAN EXHIBIT OPENS IN WHEATON

The work of Mrs. Nancy Carrigan of Wheaton, the wife of Richard Carrigan, an NAL physicist in the Experimental Facilities Section, is being shown in the second floor art gallery of the Wheaton Public Library through the month of October.

Mrs. Carrigan is a member of the DuPage Art League and has won five ribbons in their shows. Her work has also been exhibited in the Oakbrook Fine Arts Promenade, the Northern Illinois Annual and is in private collections in Pittsburgh, Vienna, and the Chicago Suburban area.

Mrs. Carrigan holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois. She continued her studies at the Carnegie Institute of Technology for three and one-half years, two of which were spent studying sculpture under Pittsburgh sculptor, George Koren. She showed regularly in the Pittsburgh area, where she won numerous ribbons for her work.

Several of the works in Mrs. Carrigan's current show, arranged by the DuPage Art League, illustrate her interest in surface, texture, and shape. She uses painting to double as wall sculpture by means of "cutouts", the layered effect allowing a new view of the work from various angles, enhanced by the unusual textures incorporated in the layers. "Babes of Broadway" is the title of one of the composites, utilizing the cutouts on top of and beneath a glass-covered frame. The entire exhibit reflects the bold, striking departures that characterize Mrs. Carrigan's work.

Mrs. Carrigan's interest in sculpture is reflected in her "putto" figure, the result of studying angel figures in Hamburg, Germany during the family's stay there in 1967.

In addition to her work as an artist, Mrs. Carrigan collaborates with her husband as a writer. Their science-fiction novel, "The Siren Stars", was published in 1970 in ANALOG magazine and is now sold in paperback form by Pyramid Press.

The exhibit is open to the public without charge; it is located on the north side of the library balcony. The Wheaton Library is located at 225 N. Cross Street. Library hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday; 9-4 p.m. on Saturday.

NOTE TO EMPLOYEES AND VISITORS: The beautiful Midwest Fall season is here in the NAL area. Families who enjoy outdoor activities can borrow canoes and sleeping bags from the NAL personnel department at 21 Sauk Blvd. in the Village for weekends. For information, call Ext.397.



...Steven Heim won a prize at the Fishing Derby for the largest fish caught by the 8-11 age group, a 15½", 1½# bass.



...The chairman always gets the nice jobs...George Nosal packaged the worms.



...Nancy Reid, age 6, was there with her dog.

Photos by Mr. and Mrs. George Nosal, NAL



...Mrs. Richard Carrigan with one of her art works at the Wheaton Public Library...

Photo by Wheaton Daily Journal

NALWO TEA WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20th

All NAL wives are invited to the first NALWO tea of the year, sponsored by the NAL Women's Organization, to be held on Wednesday, October 20th, at 1:30 p.m. in the lower level of the Village Barn. Dr. James K. Walker of the NAL Experimental Facilities section will speak to the group. His lecture will be titled, "Symmetry and Structure in Nature," based on his observation that "nature loves symmetry; in fact it is enforced because of the underlying structure--the secrets of which will be simply and clearly outlined. The great hope of discovering the ultimate structure at NAL will be described--come and share in this greatest of all adventures."

Wives of visiting experimentalists are cordially invited to attend the event and all guests are urged to bring a friend who might wish to learn about the Laboratory.

For further information call Ext. 560 in the Village.

PIZZA AND BEER FOR NAL HOCKEY FANS

NAL hockey fans can travel by bus to see the Chicago Blackhawks play the Detroit Red Wings at the Chicago Stadium on Sunday, October 10th. Only 50 tickets are available for the event. A bus will leave for the stadium at 6 p.m. sharp, from Shakey's Pizza Parlor, 110 North Lake Street, Aurora. Free Pizza will be served from 4:30 to 5:30 and beer will be served on the bus trip. In addition to the refreshments, the \$12.50 tag for the evening includes game ticket and transportation. For information and tickets, call Peaches, Ext.470,479.

NALWINGS MEET THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

Everyone interested in NALWINGS, the newly-formed flying club at NAL, is urged to attend the next meeting of the club at 5 p.m. on Thursday, October 7 in the Village Barn. Important decisions will be made on where the club will fly and other matters of interest to anyone who plans to participate in the club's activities.

SQUASH COURT READY ON SITE

A squash court has recently been completed on the second floor of the Anderson Farm barn, the red barn located on the half-circle drive opposite the Sauk Boulevard entrance to the NAL Village. Rackets, squash balls, and a net will be available at the Personnel House, 21 Sauk Boulevard. The squash court was built by the Universities Research Association for the use of NAL, DUSAF, and AEC employees, as well as visiting experimentalists.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE-15' Starcraft Expl.F.G.boat,50HP,Mercury O.B.,E.S.,G. & Trail. \$1,100; Snowmobile Yamaha,'71, 433 ES, T,S, w/cov.& M-Shock,30HP,18"Track \$1,075; Snowmobile sled, 2-3 people, w/windshield,Blue & White, \$100; Texson Dlx.Camper self cont.(stand up)for 1/2 or 3/4 T.Trk.Sleep 3,w/stove,sink,ice box,9000 B.T.U., F-Htl.'70, \$625; Winnebago cap for 1/2 T.Pickup,6' box w/ door & panel (removable)\$100; '68 Chev. Pickup, 6 cyl.,8 ply tires, radio, heater. Call Don, Ext. 734 or 279-8843.

FOR SALE-'63 Rambler Classic,6 cyl.,stick, Excel. condition, clean. \$300. Rene Tracy, Ext. 278.

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FOR SALE-'65 Triumph Bonneville Motorcycle, Rebuilt engine, Excel.condition-extras.\$650.Call George, DUSAF SURVEY, 879-2900 - Construction.

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