



bradley News

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WELCOME



Pictured is ROLLAND "ROL" MADDEN who started here Tuesday as Superintendent of Tooling responsible for Tool Design and Tool Room, replacing JOE GUSTIN who will retire shortly. ROL worked 24 years for T.R.W. Inc. in Watseka where, for 18 years he was a Tool and Die Maker and for the last five years was Manager of Manufacturing Services.

ROL, is married, has one son and lives in Watseka.

ROPER GOLF LEAGUE

With the season's end only two weeks away, this is the way the league shapes up after last week's play. The team of LARRY DAWKINS and JOE GIUSTI has opened up a commanding lead of 23 points over the second place team of MICKEY BOUDREAU and FRED DUST. Tied for third, another 11 points back are the teams of JERRY MCANARNEY - LARRY POWER and BOB MULVIHILL - MIKE PUFFER.

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Low net in Class A was captured by MULVIHILL with 37, with a threesome of PETE JOHNSON, TOMMY BROWN, and NICK GINERIS tying for second with 38¹⁵. In Class B it was CHUCK HANNERS with 33, DUST with 35, and DON JENKINS with 37.

Only one bird was scored, that by JOE DOMINIAK.

BLOOD DONOR NEWS

As usual the Roper Bradley people responded to a good cause with a tremendous effort. A total of 59 employees volunteered as blood donors on Aug. 26 and 27 for hemophilia MICHAEL DEVINE 48 pints were donated - there were eleven temporary rejections. The honor roll follows

The committee did a tremendous job of recruiting.

ROBERT ALDRIDGE
DENNIS ALLEN
BETTY ANDERSON
PAUL AUVE
PAT BERGERON
MELVIN BOURASSA
CLARENCE BUCK
CARL CASINO
KEN CASTONGIA
MIKE COLLETTE
BOB CRAWFORD
IDA CUPRYS
DOROTHY CURRIE
DIRK DIEPEVEEN
RENE DRAZY
RICHARD DRAZY
BONNIE DUFFY
ED FLOWERS
RAY FORBES
LOUIS GINERIS
BONIFACE GREY
LARRY HANSON
BENNIE HINDS
RON HIRT

DON HISEL
JOE KEIGHER
DANNY LAFOND
WILBUR LAFOND
STEVE LEGESSE
BARB LECLAIR
MIKE LONGTIN
PAUL MONTAGUE
MARY MULLETT
WILLARD POOL
JOE POWER
BERNARD PRAIRIE
MARION PRESSLEY
CAROL RABIDEAU
LEONARD SHEEL
PAUL SIEFERT
RONALD SIELING
BILL SIKES
RAOUL SOUCIE
GENE SPRIMONT
RICHARD STREETE
WILLIE TOLER
ROGER VOIGT

JOHN DOCKEMEYER - ONE GALLON !!!

REJECTS:

RALPH DENO
LEON KOHAN
KENNIS LAMIE
GORDON SMITH
BUD TREPANIER
RUSS WESTOVER

PAUL HAMILTON
PETE LAFFEY
JAMES MARION
DELMAR STEIN
FRANK WASETIS

A WORD OF EXPLANATION

Ever since the Roper Bradley News was reactivated early in 1966 under JOHN GRIMES, one of the regular features has been the Old Timer of the Week column. From its inception the purpose of this column has been to recognize and pay homage (in a small way) to people for long and faithful service. No more - no less.

Some older employees may notice from time to time that occasionally an Old Timer is missed. The reason for this is simple - it's the man's choice. Every once in a while an employee tells us he doesn't want his picture taken or anything written about him. When this happens we respect his right to privacy and just pass him up, but reluctantly.



This weeks honored employee, JOHN DISIEL, started at Bradley on October 13, 1942 at the age of nineteen after working for short periods at a butcher shop, Florence Stove and Kroehler. His first assignment here was in the Old Paint Shop, but it was followed by several short term jobs in such areas as the Forge Shop, Shell Line Inspection, Receiving and Assembly. For the last twenty years he has been in the painting departments, with his current job being in D/34 hanging on the paint line.

During World War II JOHN spent three years in the Army Engineers. His overseas duty was spent in the Pacific, in such places as New Guinea, New Britain, the Admiralty Islands, the Philippines and Japan.

JOHN refers to himself as the No. 3 bachelor in the plant, modestly placing himself behind "FRENCHY" CYRIER and "KINGFISH" CIERYCA. He lived with his mother until her death just about a month ago. His dad, IGNATIUS KISIEL, one of the real Old Timers of the Foundry, was on retirement when he died in 1958. JOHN currently lives with a sister on North Entrance Ave., in Kankakee.

This fine Old Timer is a great sports fan but an unusual one. Unlike most of our sports enthusiasts, none of his favorite teams are Chicago teams.

In baseball it's the Cardinals, in football it's the Detroit Lions, while in hockey he favors the Red Wings. JOHN says he has enjoyed his twenty eight years here if he hadn't, he wouldn't have stayed so long. STEVE SERVE, his foreman is glad he stayed, referring to him as "A real good man, solid, conscientious and dependable".

FOR SALE: Four 8.25 x 14, KM 100 Blackwall 4 ply nylon cord Tubeless tires, Low Profile. Presently mounted on Ford wheels, 30 Mo. Guarantee. Less than 1,000 miles. \$65.00 for the set, wheels included. Call 486-7047.

FOR SALE: Magic Chef 36" Gas Range. \$25.00 Phone 937-1524.

FOR SALE: Canoe, 17 ft. fibreglass, stub end for motor. \$100.00 Call 933.5636 anytime.

During the last year the subject of a great deal of scuttlebutt throughout the plant has been the new All Terrain Vehicle Project. Rumors, pro and con, could be heard all over the place. A great many Roper Bradley people have spent long, sometimes disappointing and frustrating hours on this project. According to the following, which we have received from Manager of Contract Sales JIM MALLANEY it would appear that the corner has been turned. We are printing JIM'S note in full as follows:

I just received a letter from MR. CHUCK THOMPSON All Terrain Vehicle Buyer for Sears. MR. THOMPSON writes:

"Dear Jim:

Enclosed in a copy of a note which MR. MERGOTT received from the head of our service engineering department, CHUCK HAVELKA.

I'm sure you are as pleased with these comments as I am.

Now that we "have the ball" - let's not drop it for any reason. Let's keep up the good work and encourage more letters of compliment and good news such as this one."

Regards,

C.D. THOMPSON - Buyer
Sears, Dept. 632

MR. HAVELKA addressed his note to MR. MERGOTT, who is MR. THOMPSON'S supervisor, and it reads as follows:

"Yesterday I had an opportunity to visit Roper in order to get my first look at your new A.T.V.

After examining the design and construction of the bird, and driving it around the plant, I must admit that you have on your hands the finest vehicle of its kind that I've ever seen.

My compliments and best wishes for a successful marketing campaign.

I wish to congratulate all persons involved in the "birth" of this new product. Many disappointments, setbacks, and alot of blood, sweat and tears have gone into the engineering development and, finally, production of this new "bird".

As Messrs. Havelka and Thompson have mentioned, we have the finest AT.V. on the market - now let's keep it that way by making sure our quality is No. 1.

JIM MALLANEY

Wanted to give away to good homes: Four half-Siamese kittens. Two males - two females. Call 932-6675. Also Male Siamese available for breeding.