

# MELPARTICULARS

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## MELPAR'S PICNIC - A DAY TO REMEMBER

Melpar's 4th Annual Picnic was held on Saturday, July 7th. Over 1000 E-Teamers, retirees, and family members gathered at Smokey Glen Farm in Gaithersburg, Maryland on a weather perfect day to participate in one of the finest picnics to be held by the company. It was a full afternoon of fun, games, food and drinks — something for everyone.

Three door prizes of gift certificates were awarded. The Crazy Hat contest was won by Heather Hixon, Don's daughter, who modeled an inverted Easter basket trimmed with eggs and topped with a bird's nest. The golf chipping contest won Bill Anderson a first prize — nice chipping, Bill. Melpar's own "Travelin' Allstar Show and Zoo Review" softball team won the tournament with an "allstar" performance.

The little people were greeted upon arrival and given helium-filled balloons and as they proceeded to the pony rides, were entertained by Winkie the Clown.

The young as well as the not so young enjoyed the Moon Bounce. By late afternoon, E-Teamers were ousting their own offspring from it, displaying their own dexterity and flexibility.

The Northern Virginia Radio Control Show Squadron presented a crowd-pleasing, spectacular model airplane show.

Soft drinks and beer flowed freely; hot dogs were consumed by the hungries from 6 to 60. Dinner served at 2 PM consisted of barbecued chicken, baked beans, cranberries, pickles, applesauce and a salad bar, with cupcakes and ice cream for dessert.

The only casualty of the day was Dr. Jerry Adams' daring slide to 3rd base (declared safe, yet his team lost the game) and Jerry showed up for work on Monday with the arm in a sling.



### ★★★★★ SPECIAL MESSAGE ★★★★★

Since this special issue of the Melparticulars is dedicated to the Annual Picnic, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Picnic Committee, Debbie Canzanelli, Jim Clatterbuck, Jim Guiliano, Phil Kless, Jeff Ladin, Al Ross, Burke Shires, Doug Snow, Mary Townsend and Karen Whitney for their fine work in making this a most enjoyable picnic for all.

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