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## MELPAR PAC GEARS UP FOR ELECTION YEAR

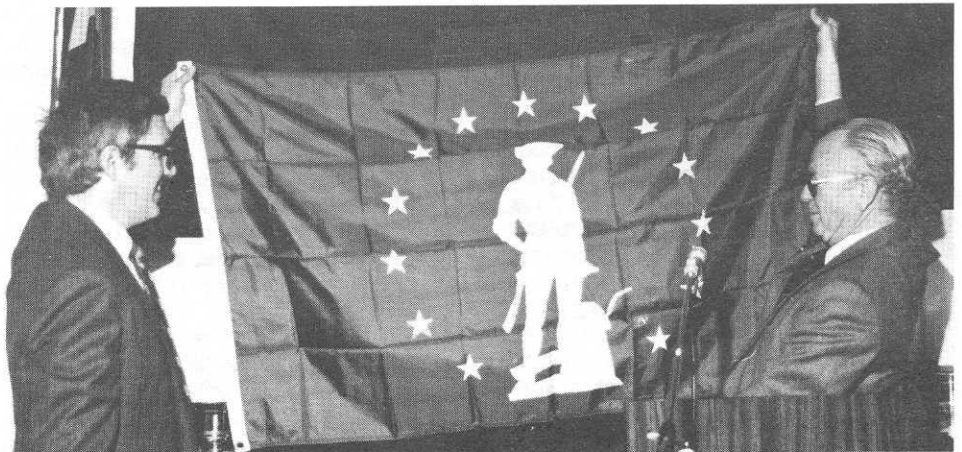
As the initial event in a year-long program, Melpar's Political Action Committee (PAC) conducted a successful week of education and enrollment during the week of March 26. During this week, approximately 50 employee volunteers explained the working of our nonpartisan PAC to fellow employees and encouraged their involvement in the election process.

The Melpar Division PAC was organized in 1976 to serve as a vehicle to provide employees with the means of becoming more aware of and involved in our country's political process. The PAC is nonpartisan and voluntary, and it is registered with the Federal Elections Commission.

The main element of our program is citizenship awareness. The goals are to provide employees with political information, and to encourage involvement and financial contributions. It is hoped that employees will be motivated to participate in their local, state, and national political process either through the act of voting, writing their elected representative, taking an active

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## MINUTEMAN FLAG PRESENTED TO TALBOT HUFF



Mr. Roger B. Smith, National Chairman of the 1984 U.S. Savings Bond Drive and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of General Motors Corporation, addressed the 1984 U.S. Savings Bond Campaign kickoff breakfast on Thursday, February 9. On this occasion, he took the opportunity to present Vice President and General Manager Talbot Huff a Minuteman Flag in appreciation of Melpar's con-

tinued outstanding support of the Savings Bond Program.

The Minuteman Flag is used to recognize outstanding payroll savings participation by companies. A symbol of American security since colonial days, it was used during World War II to promote the sale of Liberty Bonds. The treasury's symbol is adapted from Daniel Chester French's bronze statue of the *Minuteman of Concord*.

## FAIRFAX MOVES, PARKING DECK, AND CAFETERIA KEEP FACILITIES ON THE GO



A construction worker and Frank Harris help remove the wall to enlarge Fairfax's cafeteria.

The third building of Melpar's Fairfax complex is complete. The Facilities Department was the first to occupy the new complex, moving in on February 3. The Stock Room was moved in next followed by Metrology and Inventory Control. Moving in April are the Hybrid Lab, Production Electronics, Accounting, and Special Projects. The moves will be completed in May when MIS joins the Fairfax group.

With all the increased expansion at Fairfax, the new double-decker parking lot is a welcome addition. This lighted parking area has 164 spaces on the top level and another 177 on the bottom. Each level has two entrances. Both decks are sloped to drain. The top level has special coatings to prevent moisture penetration and to aid in snow removal.

To meet the culinary requirements of our Fairfax E-Teamers, the cafeteria seating area was expanded, as planned, to almost double its former capacity.

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## Library Up-date

Imagine yourself inside a large library with rows of books, stacks of magazines, reports on microfiche, and files of government documents. To access information, you would have to work your way laboriously through the card catalog or the vertical file. But at specially equipped libraries such as Melpar's, you need only to program key words into a computer terminal, and references appear immediately. This service is called on-line access.

An on-line information search is an interactive method of acquiring specialized information from vast quantities of data stored in one or more data bases. The major advantages of on-line access are speed, comprehensiveness, flexibility, and savings of labor. Once the system is established, only a phone and a portable terminal are needed. Training is available from courses offered by on-line vendors, local universities, data-base publishers and workshops. Most U.S. on-line systems and data-base publishers provide toll-free numbers for help with search strategies.

For assistance with a technical search, check with our librarian, Mary Albertson, on ext. 2157. According to Mary, most on-line searches can be done in 10-15 minutes, with cost per hour ranging between \$25.00 and \$100.00. A typical search costs approximately \$25.00. You may request on-line or off-line prints. The off-line print, which is mailed in 24 hours, is more economical.

Never has data been so eagerly sought, nor the accumulation of information so overwhelmingly available.

## MELPAR RECEIVES AWARD

The Northern Virginia section of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) took the occasion of the IEEE Centennial Anniversary to acknowledge E-Systems Melpar Division with a plaque. The award was presented to Melpar for its continued sponsorship and encouragement of IEEE's technical activities.

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## Security Spotlight

The world of espionage and counter-espionage has been the topic of countless books, short stories, TV serials, and movies. The role of the "Secret Agent" has become so exaggerated that it is very easy to believe that espionage belongs only in the minds of the fiction writers. **DO NOT BELIEVE IT!** Hostile agents do exist, and literally thousands of hostile intelligence officers are plying their treacherous trade within the United States.

The most prized type of intelligence data the foreign agent can collect is, of course, the classified government document. Unclassified material, to include proprietary information which appears to be trivial in nature, may also be of great value in filling in that missing piece of the puzzle.

Foreign agents generally believe that Americans are hopeless materialists and can be easily recruited by appeals to their alleged greed. Statistics confirm this belief in only a few isolated cases. Generally, most Americans are truly concerned about their country's security.

Remember, gathering with fellow employees or associates in bars, restaurants, or private residences is great for relaxing and relieving tensions. But these are also the environments where a foreign agent operates at his/her peak in eavesdropping on conversations that may inadvertently reveal or lead to the revelation of classified or sensitive information.

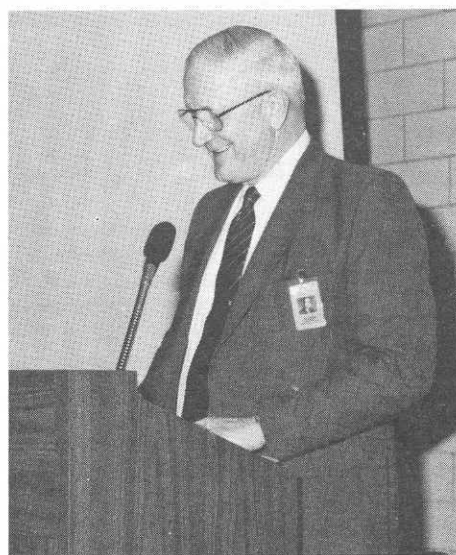
You, the Melpar employee, having access to sensitive or classified information, have agreed to accept the security responsibilities inherent in the trust the U.S. Government has placed with you in granting access to its inner most secrets. One prime ingredient of this responsibility is to discontinue any conversations about your work that may lead to the disclosure of classified or sensitive information when out of the protected environment established for such discussions.

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part in an electoral campaign, making a contribution, or running for an office.

As the year progresses, the Melpar PAC, under the leadership of Fred Wahl, Chairman, and Fred Morley, Treasurer, will provide election information on bulletin boards throughout the facilities. They plan to keep us informed on candidates, voter registration, and issues affecting our local and national government.

## JOHN DIXON ADDRESSES MANAGEMENT DINNER



On February 23, John Dixon, Chief Executive Officer of E-Systems, addressed over 400 E-Systems employees from Melpar, the Center for Advanced Planning and Analysis (CAPA), and the Electronics Testing and Analysis Group (ETAG). His speech covered Corporate and Division highlights for 1983 as well as the 1984 financial outlook. Mr. Dixon expressed his thanks to Melpar for a job well done and referred to our division as "movers and shakers." In closing, he noted that we all need to think more aggressively and broaden our horizons for the future.

## ED ROSE GIVES TECHNICAL PRESENTATION



Ed Rose of Melpar's Advanced Development Group gave a presentation to the third joint symposium of the Association of Old Crows, Kittyhawk Club and the Association of Unmanned Vehicle

Systems, Wright Kettering Chapter held this March at Wright-Patterson Air Force base. This year's symposium theme was "A Synergism of Combat and Unmanned Systems."

Mr. Rose gave a general overview of the Pavé Tiger Sensor developed for the Boeing Military Aircraft Company's Mini-RPV. His overview included technical information on the sensor, the target, the acquisition and identification process, and the expected/measured performance.



## E-TEAMERS JUDGE FAIRFAX COUNTY SCIENCE FAIRS

Spring is the time in which area schools hold their science fairs, and Melpar E-Teamers are asked to participate as judges. This year's science fairs have seen a rousing turnout from Melpar. On February 18, in a science fair held at Edison High School, Katherine Garber, Gerald Roberts, and Michael Curry contributed their time in selecting the winning projects for the areas of Engineering and Physics. On March 17, Phil Sica, Betsy Peck, John Chiesa, and Calvin Baker joined

the panel of judges for the Fairfax County Regional Science Fair of Areas I and IV. On March 31, Dennis Nickle, David Veit, Stephen Miller, and David Carlton joined in the judging of the Regional Science Fair for Areas II and III. Both regional science fairs were held at Robinson Secondary School. The contribution of time and energy by these dedicated E-Teamers is invaluable to our community and is helping to develop the scientists of tomorrow.

## E-BUS DISPLAY GOES TO LAS VEGAS

The Melpar Division displayed its E-BUS™ Local Area Network capabilities at a recent trade show in Las Vegas, Nevada. The show, known as "Interface '84," featured various computer equipment and Local Area Network components. This is one of the largest non-Corporate sponsored events in which Melpar has ever participated.

It is estimated that over 20,000 people toured the 1300 exhibits in the Convention Center. Personnel representing Melpar at the four-day event (March 12-15) included Bob Breinig, Steve Emmett, Rick Hoffman, and Mike Lumpkin. The four-panel display (pictured below)

was designed and developed by the Publications Department and Photo Lab. A new E-BUS television presentation, composed by the Video Production Group, was also featured at the booth.

Melpar will be participating in the corporate exhibit at the Navy League Air, Sea, and Space Exposition, scheduled for April 17-19 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. In addition to the display of Melpar's wind-tunnel model RPV, a Melpar-produced video presentation on RPVs will be featured at the booth.

\*E-BUS is a trademark for the distributed processing system developed by the Melpar Division of E-Systems, Inc.

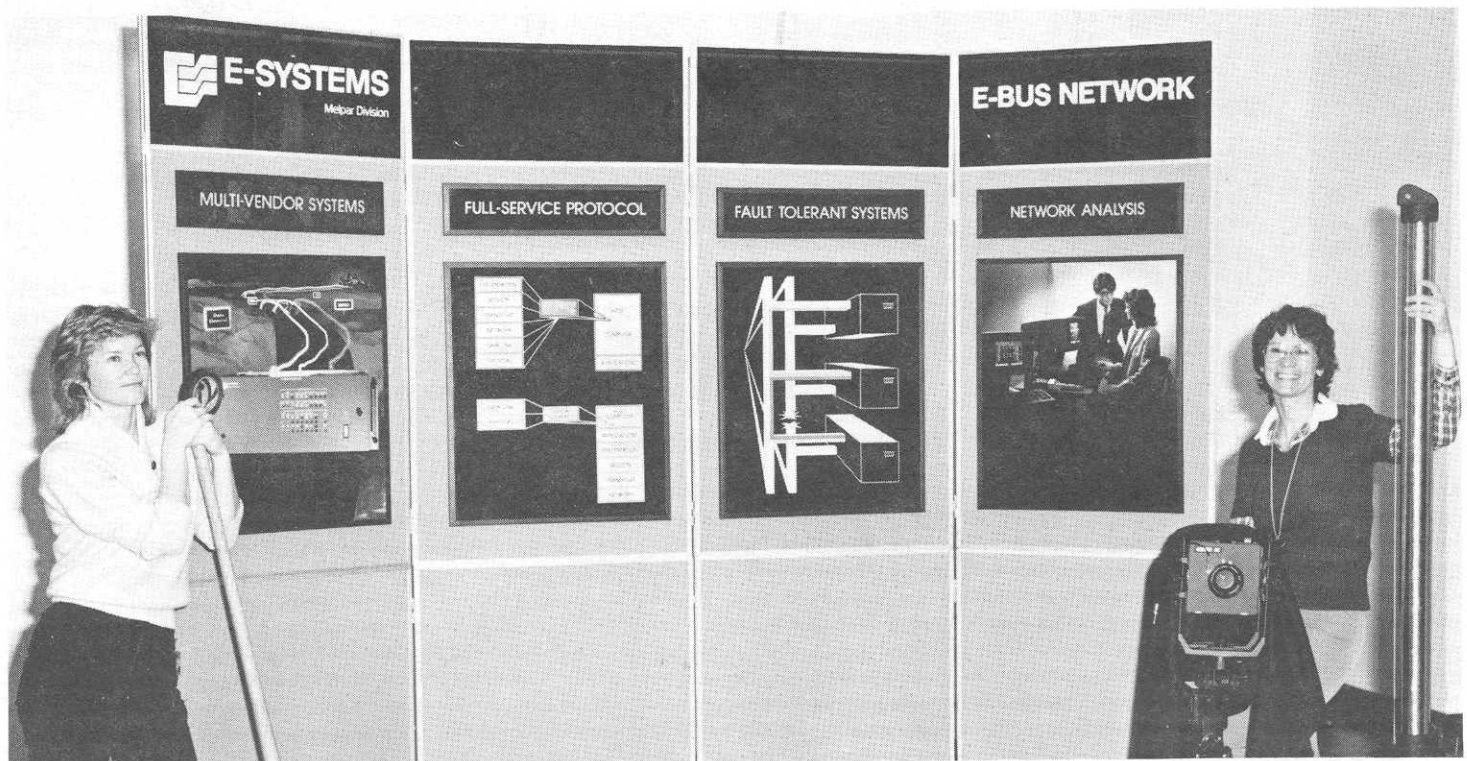
## LIAISON PROGRAM WITH MIT BENEFITS E-SYSTEMS

E-Systems has become a member of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Industrial Liaison Program. The program provides member companies with access to the research of over 8500 professionals whose expertise is available through research papers, discussions, and formal meetings.

MIT research has produced many technological developments. Among them are advancements in subjects of interest to E-Systems. By becoming a member company, we will have access to ongoing research. Each member firm is assigned an MIT liaison officer.

The advantages of membership include access to the results of over \$350 million per year in research, access to pioneering studies, ability to monitor progress of emerging technologies, chances to license MIT patents and technology, and discounts on most MIT video tapes and publications. Also, as part of the program, we are provided with a *Directory of Current Research*, a monthly research newsletter and a digest of current symposia.

The Melpar Division contact for information on the Industrial Liaison Program is Dave Nicholson, Director of IR&D. He can be reached on ext. 2212.



Whatever it takes to get the job done... Senior Technical Illustrator Marty Hays (left) and Senior Photographer Sandra Dimond designed and developed Melpar's eye-catching display for Interface '84. The left-hand photo alone required 600 pounds of sand, Christmas tree lights, a 5-inch high cardboard replica of the New York skyline, reams of tape and lots of hard work. It was a super effort which proves that the life of the industrial artist is not all glamor!

## BONUS REFERRAL PROGRAM PAYS OFF

Congratulations are in order for the first two recipients of the 1984 Bonus Referral Program. Eric Honour, Manager of Hardware Development in Advanced Systems, and Richard Getman, Principal Engineer in Advanced Development, each received a check for \$3000 from Vice President and General Manager Talbot Huff for referring a qualified applicant who was hired.

Because of the phenomenal growth we have been experiencing here at Melpar, recruiting qualified applicants is a vital part of Melpar's employment picture. The Bonus Referral Program awards monetary incentives to employees who successfully recruit qualified applicants to fill specified positions. Under the guidelines of the program, Melpar now pays a bonus referral award of \$3000 for each qualified person hired as a result of referral. For specifics about the program, check with Charlie Johnson on ext. 1544 or Ethel Lorenzo on ext. 3200. A list of the qualifying positions is posted on the company bulletin boards.

Remember, keep those referrals coming in — it *does* pay.

## ELIZABETH CLARK TEACHES PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CLASS



The Industrial Relations Department has recently begun to offer a six-week-long seminar series on Project Management to new engineering and computer science employees. Taught by Elizabeth Clark of Program Management,

the course traces the development of a proposed project from the bid and proposal stage through the contract implementation stage.

Through this class, new technical employees are being given a detailed orientation to the corporate and divisional organization structures, past and present business areas, customs, and work breakdown structures. Common, but unfamiliar nonclassified terminology and acronyms are also included. The course will initially be taught to recent engineering and computer science graduates who are new to industry. In time the offering may be broadened to accommodate additional Melpar employees.



Left to right, Eric Honour, Manager of Hardware Development in Advanced Systems, and Richard Getman, Principal Engineer in Advanced Development, receive checks from Vice President and General Manager Talbot Huff.

## MELPAR HOSTS E-SYSTEMS RECEIVER TECHNOLOGY REVIEW

The Melpar Division hosted a corporate-wide receiver technology review on March 7 in the Falls Church facility. The purpose of this meeting was to review all ongoing receiver developments within E-Systems and to coordinate the ancillary technology thrusts. Included among the representatives of the Divisions were Dr. G. Simon of ECI, Dr. L. Lauderdale and Dr. S. Musa of Corporate, R. Uffleman of CAPA, G. Stapp of Garland, C. Crom of Greenville, A. Capes of Montek, and H. Ammann and D. Krausman from Melpar.

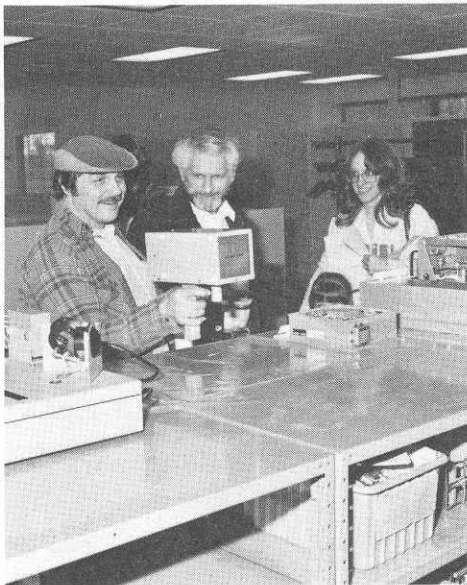
The day-long conference resulted in a closer coordination of each division's respective efforts and establishment of a Receiver Technology Committee which will meet on a regular basis to maintain necessary coordination. The Committee will be chaired

by CAPA with representatives from ECI, Melpar, Greenville, and Garland.

ECI, Garland, and Melpar made presentations which covered ongoing development efforts and technology-oriented programs. ECI discussed new communications receivers and signal processing technology. Garland presented its "metascan" approach and its Wild Weasel technology. Melpar presented its current receiver development efforts, an overview of IR&D projects dealing with spectrum scanning, signal processing, and the Very High-Speed Integrated Circuits (VHSIC) program involvement.

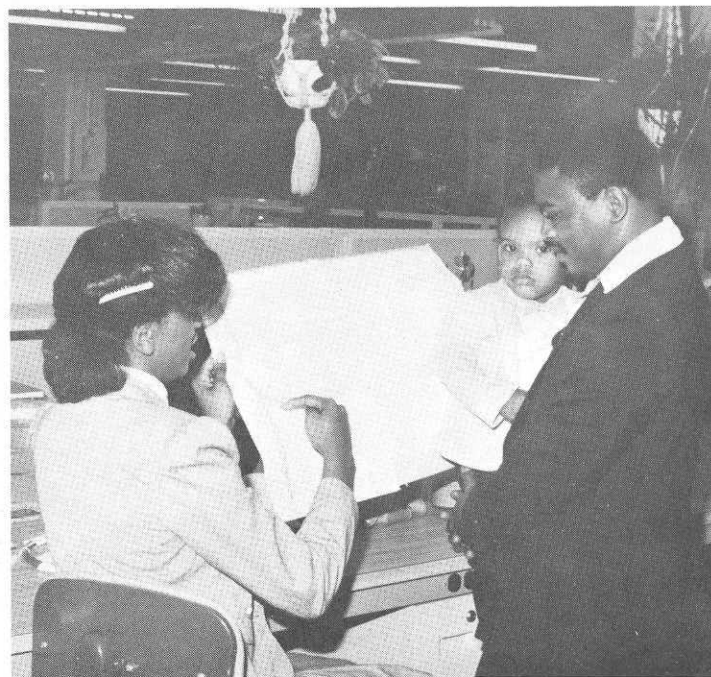
After the conference, the consensus was that E-Systems had an excellent posture for maintaining its lead in both receivers and associated signal processing technologies.



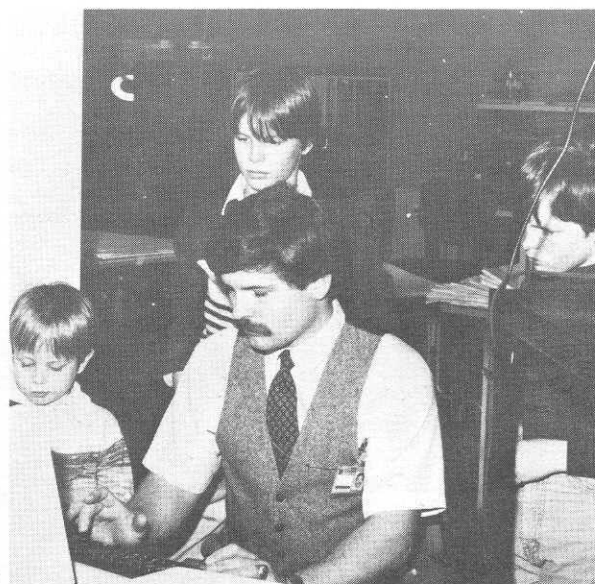




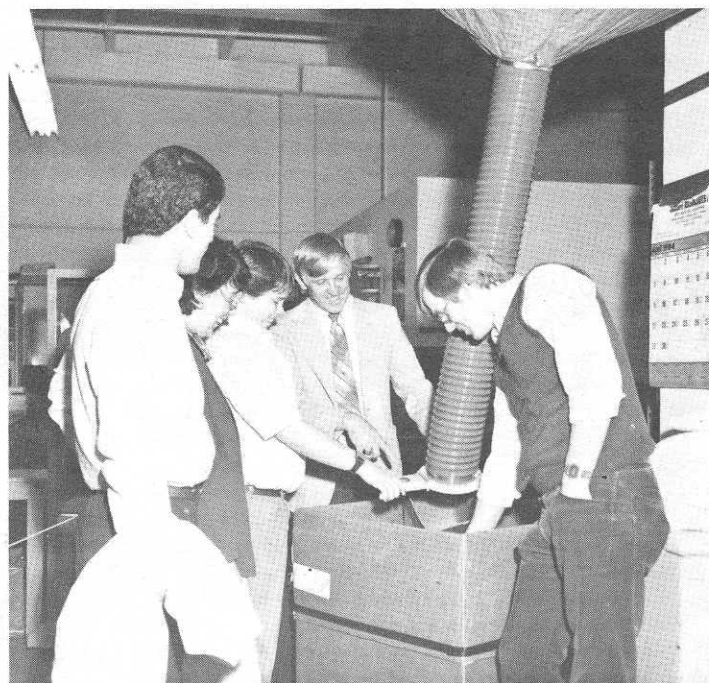
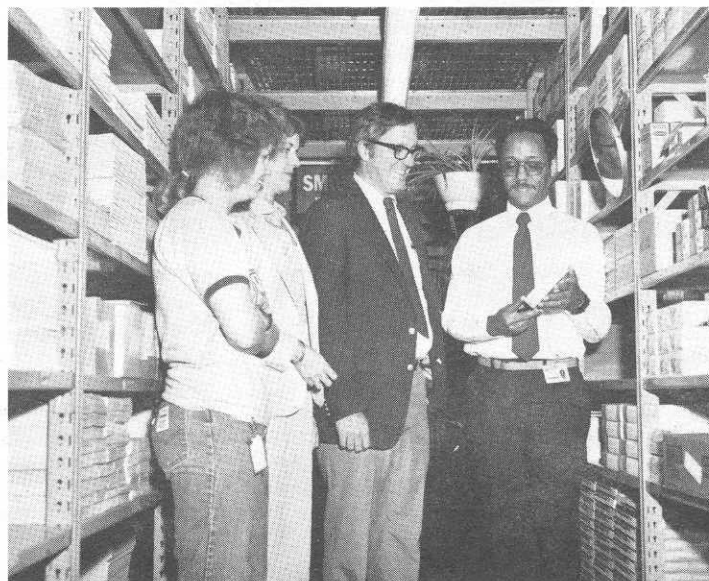
## FALLS CHURCH







## MERRIFIELD



## VIDEO DEPARTMENT PREPARES SECURITY PRESENTATION



"Inform Security if you see a security problem," urges local actor, Bruce Elliott (center), during a taping session with Video Production Group members Susan Love and Dave Fulmer. The Video Group is producing a tape for Security which will update the current slide-show briefing. Bruce narrates the program, telling new em-

ployees all they "need to know" about security here at Melpar. The Video Production Group spent two days with Mr. Elliott, taping him in various locations throughout the Falls Church and Fairfax facilities. This group regularly produces tapes that are used in Marketing and Training.

## DISCOUNTS . . . DISCOUNTS . . . AND MORE DISCOUNTS

Some of the benefits offered to Melpar employees are the many discounts available to them through local merchants.

For example, did you know that Holland Opticians offers Melpar employees 20 percent off the purchase price of any complete pair of eyeglasses and special rates on safety glasses? And if you need safety shoes, savings are available through the LeHeigh and Hy-Test catalogs. Another service offered to employees is the United Buying Service (UBS). Through UBS's extensive catalog, Melpar employees may realize substantial savings on many products: American and imported cars and trucks, used automobiles, travel tours, furniture, and many others. For information and details on all these discounts, check with Betty Owens in Personnel, ext. 2450.

Several computer discounts are currently available at area businesses. Melpar employees qualify for reduc-

tions on hardware, software, and peripherals at the following showrooms: Radio Shack; Business Computer Solutions in Washington, D.C.; Computer, Etc. and Disk Connection, Ltd. in Springfield; Computerland at Tyson's Corner and Woodbridge; and Compute-America in McLean. For information on these discounts and the computer purchase program available through payroll deduction, check with Shannon Porter, in Personnel on ext. 2370.

Shannon is also the person to contact if you are interested in exercising through the Nautilus Fitness Center on Lee Highway in Fairfax. The center is offering a 50 percent discount to our employees.

Through Circa Publications and our Division's Technical Library, employees are entitled to a 10 percent discount on most current fiction and nonfiction. Circa Publications carries books from over 100 publishers. If you are interested, contact Mary Albertson

## Credit Union News

The 11th Annual Business Meeting of the Melpar Employees Federal Credit Union (MEFCU) is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25 in the Falls Church cafeteria. The meeting will begin with refreshments at 5:15 p.m. to be followed by the annual reports of the officers, a short business meeting, and election of officers. This annual event offers members the opportunity to participate in the operation of their Credit Union.

**Dividend Change.** . . In an ongoing effort to provide more and better benefits for members, the Credit Union Board of Directors unanimously approved a change in the dividends policy. Beginning April 1, dividends on shares (savings) will be paid from the day of deposit to the day of withdrawal. Funds will now be more liquid and accessible for savers and will benefit borrowers as well.

**Fairfax Facility Office.** . . The Credit Union (CU) has officially opened at Fairfax. The new CU office at the Fairfax facility is located in the E-1 lobby and offers CU services daily from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Summary of Membership Benefits.** . . Membership in the Melpar Employees Federal Credit Union is available to *all* permanent employees of the Melpar Division. The one-time enrollment fee is \$1.00, but during the months of April and May this year, this initial fee will be waived. Included in membership benefits are:

- No-cost insured saving and loan accounts
- Low-cost loans
- Personal check-cashing privileges
- Purchase of postage stamps
- Purchase of travelers checks
- Purchase of money orders
- Daily dividends on shares (savings)
- Automatic payroll deductions

If you want to hear more about Melpar's Credit Union, be sure to attend the annual meeting on April 25.

in the Library.

Avis car rental rates are offered at a discount to E-Teamers, either for business or personal use. For complete details, check with Barbara Goble in Purchasing on ext. 3900.

This is a growing list. Melpar does not endorse any companies but tries to verify their discount claims. If you wish other discounts to be considered in the future, please contact Shannon Porter on ext. 2370.



## RETIREES



Robert Hoffman  
30 Years



Jack Scroggins  
22 Years

## GWU SPRING AND FALL SCHEDULES

George Washington University's School of Engineering and Applied Science will continue to offer graduate courses in electrical engineering, communications, and computer science at Melpar's Falls Church facility. The summer and fall schedules are as follows with the instructor indicated in parenthesis when known.

Summer 1984 (June 12 — July 30)  
EE 243 Communications Theory I  
Tues & Thurs. (Kelly)  
CS 158 Algorithmic Methods  
Mon & Wed

Registration for the summer session is June 6 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Falls Church cafeteria. Please note that the summer session is double-paced, with classes meeting twice a week for seven weeks.

Fall 1984 (tentative)  
EE 204 Stochastic Signals and Noise — Mon (Nicholson)  
EE 205 Stochastic Processes in EE  
Tues (Podell)  
EE 244 Communications Theory II  
Thurs (Crepeau)  
EE 252 Digital Signal Processing  
Mon (Chang)  
CSci 159 Programming and Data  
Structure — Tues  
CSci 267 Operating Systems I  
Wed (Scharenguivel)  
CSci 213 Discrete Structures and  
Algorithms in Computer  
Science — Thur  
(Berkovich)

Fall registration is set for August 28 from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Falls Church cafeteria. Advance registration is possible for fall. Contact Ed Wright, Program Advisor, at 676-7024.

Suggestions and petitions are invited from students for planning subsequent off-campus courses. Contact or write to Professor R.L. Pickholtz, at George Washington University.

## PROMOTIONS — JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

From:	To:
K.M. Alexander	Assem 1CI
R.S. Bonner	Planning Asst
C.R. Branscome	Software Analyst
R.E. Butler	Supv Comp Maint
J.S. Cahoon	Payroll Supv
R.D. Caldwell	Sr Design eng
F.D. Cardwell	Assem Mech
B.K. Davidson	Assem 1CI
V.C. Digiantommaso	Assem 1CI
L.J. Freeze	Assem 1CI
T.B. Frizell	Mech Eng
C. Furr	EMI 1CI Grp Ldr
M.L. Gibson	EMI 1CI Grp Ldr
J.J. Hamlin	Planning Spec
M. Harding	Eng Manager
D.B. Hinton	Assem 1CI Grp Ldr
D.F. Jackson	Assem 1CI
M.R. Kellison	Assem 1CI
E.W. Klein	Software Analyst
E.H. Marine	Eng Design Asst
S. Meister	Software Dev Mgr
J.G. Menke	Sr Software Analyst
R.L. Miles	Assem 1CI
P.G. Payne	Assem 1CI
W.P. Quanttrille	Cost Analyst
D.R. Rancke	Planner
K.J. Reyes	Assem 1CI
G.E. Rudy	Cost Analyst
D.J. Schillaci	Programmer
R.E. Shuck	Assem 1CI
C.A. Snyder	Software Analyst
P.H. Stafford	Sr Report Typist
K.C. Steffen	Tech Editor
C.J. Stultz	Eng Manager
R.H. Taylor	Prin Design Eng
C.A. Wade	Dupl Mach Op Grp Ldr
I.L. Walker	Assem 1CI
D.N. Wright	Prin Design Eng

## Know Your Benefits... PAYSOP

The E-Systems Stock Ownership Program has recently been enhanced by the inclusion of the Payroll-Based Stock Ownership Plan (PAYSOP). The new PAYSOP program will provide employees who have less than 10 years of qualifying service with immediate 100 percent ownership of a portion of their yearly stock allotment. The stock received through the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) program will continue to be vested at a rate of 10 percent per year. Employees who currently have 10 or more qualifying years of service will have 100 percent ownership of the stock granted to them through both the PAYSOP and ESOP programs.

The new PAYSOP program has been made possible through changes in the federal tax laws that allow E-Systems to receive an Investment Tax Credit (ITC) and thereby reduce its income tax by the amount contributed to PAYSOP. Employees profit by this tax credit because the tax savings will be

used to purchase *additional* E-Systems common stock to be allocated to all participating employees. In 1983 and 1984, the law limits the ITC used for PAYSOP to one-half of a percent of a corporation's payroll. In 1985, 1986, and 1987, the limit will be raised to three-quarters of a percent of the total payroll. As you can see, the tax benefit enjoyed by the company will be shared by all E-Teamers.

Recently you received your annual stock statement. This statement showed the current status of your E-Systems stock account including your ESOP, PAYSOP, and Cash Account shares and balances which have been distributed and/or vested to your account. This statement should be reviewed by you and retained with your other financial records. If, after reviewing this statement, you find that you have questions on your stock ownership plans, please feel free to contact Evely Lowenstern on ext. 1545 for assistance.

## Sports Corner

### WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM

The 1984 Melpar Women's Softball team will start its second season on April 29. The Stringers are in the Fairfax County Adult Softball League and will be playing an 18-game season. They have high hopes for another great season after last year's fine fourth-place finish in a 21-team division and a second-place finish in the league tournament. If anyone would like to play on a winning team, call Doug Snow on ext. 2647. Hope to see you on the practice field.

### EAVESDROPPERS TIE FOR FIRST WITH 10-0 SEASON

The Melpar Eavesdroppers, otherwise known as the Cardiac Kids, survived a season full of close games to finish the regular season at 10-0 to tie with Merrifield Express for first place. The Eavesdroppers won three games by two points on last-second shots and four other games in which they were tied or trailed at the half.

Next on their schedule will be a playoff game with Merrifield and the Post-Season Tournament, consisting of the top two teams from each of the divisions.

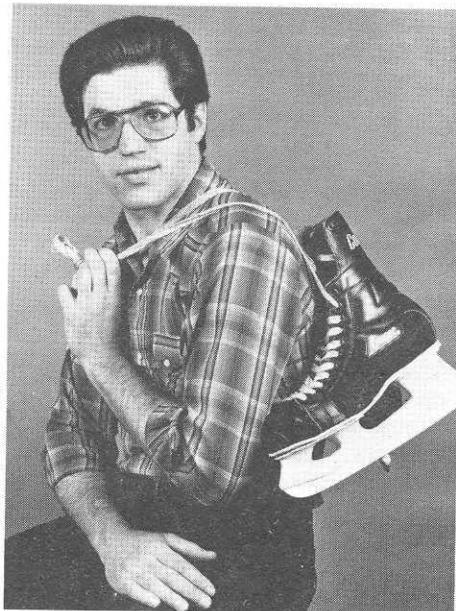
Teamwork and cool nerves were the key ingredients for this year's success. Team members include Tim Garney, Phil White, Brian English, Jeff Hamlin, Ronal Butler, Mike Christofferson, Mike Dutchak, Ken Taggart, Ben Roberts and Jeff Lenert.

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This addition was added with as little interruption to the cafeteria as possible. Prior to removing the adjoining wall between the old stockroom and the present cafeteria, the new area was made completely ready including reworked walls and ceiling lights. The larger dining area will greatly increase the ability of the cafeteria to serve the newly enlarged Fairfax facility. It will also provide a larger area for special occasions and meetings.

When all the moves are completed, Fairfax will have upwards of 800 employees housed in its facility.

### RAY MARTIN SKATES FOR CHARITY



On March 3, 1983, Ray Martin, a Melpar engineer in Automatic Test Equipment Development, single-handedly raised \$510.90 in a skate-a-thon for Easter Seals. Ray completed 378 laps around the tenth-of-a-mile ice rink at Fairfax Ice Arena. Before the skate-a-thon, Ray received pledges for 2, 3, 4, and 5 cents per completed lap from fellow employees and other well wishers. More than 100 skaters took part in the skate-a-thon, but Ray was the only one to skate continuously for 4½ hours. His mother and sister came down from Pennsylvania and added to the family spirit by counting laps for him. There were so many skaters on the ice that Ray compared it to a rush-hour commute.

Ray first took up skating in Lancaster, Pennsylvania at age 8, when he participated in the neighborhood ice games. While at DeVry Institute of Technology, he organized a college team and was instrumental in getting them to play in the Metropolitan College Hockey group. Ray presently plays ice hockey two nights a week and will be competing in the Washington Men's Hockey League starting this month.

While in college, he skated for Muscular Dystrophy during one of their skate-a-thons. The skate-a-thon, according to Ray, is a wonderful way to build up enthusiasm, get many small contributors involved in skating and a worthwhile fund raiser.

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needs your input. Submit material to Jane Kinzler, Editor, ext. 2717.

### SHERRI CARTER PUTS CPR TRAINING TO USE

"One of These Employees Could Save Your Life," was the title of an article on Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in the last issue of the *Melparticulars*. Although we were just thinking about a possibility, Sherri Carter, a Drafting Aid in the Fairfax Print Room, had reality in mind. On Thursday, March 15, having completed the course work for CPR at Melpar just that day, Sherri attended an exercise class after work. Just before the class began, the husband of a class member passed out.

According to Sherri, panic set in as the man's face turned red, and he collapsed. When no one seemed to be taking control of the situation, she nervously volunteered the information that she knew CPR and instructed someone to call for help on 911. Sherri found the man had no pulse so she began giving him breaths and chest compressions. After several minutes, the instructor of the exercise class, who had gone to summon help, returned. Together they performed two-person CPR until the rescue squad arrived.

Sherri said her nervousness was always there, but someone needed to do something, so she was glad she had the training to be able to help. Thanks to Sherri, the man's life was saved.



### RECENT CPR GRADUATES

March 12 marked the completion of another CPR certification course at Melpar. The following employees were certified at this time: Lisa Burton, Sherri Carter, Woody Hagan, Carol Lally, Therese Ortiz, Sande Salyers, and Doug West.