FIRST HOURLY PLANT EMPLOYEE WAS JERRY STAMEY

With this year's 20th Anniversary of the Brevard Plant, we looked back in time to see who was the first hourly employee. This person is Jerry Stamey, Maintenance Supervisor – Administrative and Training, who was hired on June 12th, 1957 as a Controls Mechanic.



Jerry Stamey - First Hire

Jerry graduated from Brevard High School in 1950. Then, he went into the U.S. Navy where he was stationed in San Diego, California, Jacksonville and Pensacola, Florida. He served as an aviation

MANY VISITORS SEE BREVARD PLANT

Eighty-two groups totaling 782 persons have visited the plant during the first 8 months of 1977. They came to see just how we make our high quality x-ray film products and enjoy a brief exposure to our beautiful mountain site.



Walt Stefkovich, Du Pont TR (left) with visitors from Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, N. C.

The typical group was from a hospital located within driving distance from the plant. They were radiologists, hospital

electrician Petty Officer 3rd Class. After 4 years of Navy life, he entered Brevard College where he graduated with an A.A. degree in General Arts.

Following graduation he began work as a Controls Mechanic in the Pigments silicon operation. Eight years later he was promoted under Photo Products to Controls Foreman of the clean area and Shift Controls Mechanics. After three years he became Controls Shop Supervisor. Then, in 1973 he became Power Engineer, also being active on the company's Acoustics Standard Committee. After two years he was promoted to Maintenance Supervisor— Administrative and Training.

He is married to the former Martha Huffman. They live on Quinn Drive, McCrary Acres in Brevard with their 13 year old daughter Susan.

They are members of the First Baptist Church in Brevard where Jerry is past President of the Adult II Men's Sunday School Class.

Jerry enjoys playing golf at the Glen Cannon Country Club, where he is a member. He is also a member of the Brevard Elks Club, past member of the Brevard Jaycees and the American Legion.

Happy 20th Anniversary Jerry!

administrators, x-ray department personnel or persons associated with x-ray technology schools, mainly students taking a two year course.

On arrival they were ushered to a conference room, greeted by a staff member, then given an account of plant history and a description of the film production process. The windup of each talk covered employee safety, plant cleanliness, high quality standards for our products, and conscientiousness of our employees.

Visitors then put on smocks, shoe covers, and safety glasses for a guided tour of Casting, Finishing, Shipping, and the Control Lab. Process Control and R & D personnel have usually served as tour guides.

After the tour, groups were taken to the High Falls shed to enjoy a box lunch and view of the beautiful waterfall. Souvenir photos were taken in front of the Falls. Then groups departed . . . hopefully with the feeling they have witnessed the best film production operation in the world situated in mountain country of unparalleled beauty. Also – they know we care about them and the type products they need in their work.

DU PONT SAFETY

Our Company's safety program works! It works better than any safety program in the world and Du Pont has been a leader for many years, in providing a safe and healthful work environment.

Where world safety records are listed for a specific industry, Du Pont or a company influenced by Du Pont's leadership holds many of the records.

Our Kinston, North Carolina Textile Fibers Plant holds the world record (65 million man-hours). They broke the record set by another Du Pont plant in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

A Remington Firearms plant out West holds another world safety record for their industry.

A Monsanto Company plant in Pensacola, Florida was built and partially staffed with Du Pont people. They hold a world safety record for their industry.

It is also significant that the injury frequency (injuries per 100,000 man hours) is as much as 50 times lower in the Du Pont Company than in the average industry.

Our company standards for a safe and healthful work environment are high and there are a lot of things that we are doing or have planned at our Plant that will help us meet those high standards.

A complete revision of the Safety Handbook was recently made and was distributed in August. We are implementing a Job Safety Review program designed to assure that every employee has the knowledge to perform the high risk jobs safely.

The safety office staff was recently expanded to provide more assistance to area safety programs. We also have plans to improve the fire brigade and emergency team proficiency and expect to implement portions of this program in October.

An aggressive program has been worked out for employee respiratory protection which includes fitting, testing and controlling equipment. A vital part of the program includes monitoring and sampling air in areas where airborne particles and chemicals exist.

We expect to have a hearing protection training workshop ready for review with all plant personnel early next year. This program will reemphasize the hazards of noise and how to prevent hearing damage.

There are several other programs underway or planned which we hope will improve our overall safety performance. However, one of the most important things each of us must do, is to

"TAKE THE EXTRA STEP FOR SAFETY."