

United Fund Campaign Underway

The 1979 United Fund campaign will be held here Oct. 9 through Oct. 21. A goal of \$40,500 has been set, according to Graham Grant, Finishing, of Brevard, and Berry Van der Meer, Coating, Process Control, of Hendersonville, who are directing the campaign.

The goal represents an increase of about six per cent over last year's goal.

Kick-off breakfasts were Oct. 5 and 6 for the 81 employees who will be soliciting pledges and contributions.

Last year, 82.3 per cent of employees made pledges and contributions. Graham and Berry are hoping for a higher percentage of participation this year.

The total amount collected will be distributed to Transylvania, Henderson and Buncombe counties, whose United Fund participating agencies include the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Salvation Army, YMCA, rescue squads and other local and state agencies that provide a variety of needed human services.



Jerry

Jerry Violette Named Process Control Superintendent

Jerry C. Violette has re-joined the staff here after three years at the Towanda Plant. He has been appointed Process Control Superintendent.

At Towanda he was Process Control Superintendent and later Manufacturing Superintendent.

From January 1973 to January 1975, Jerry was Process Control Supervisor here. During that period the Control Lab was combined with Process Control.

He began with the company in 1960 with the Engineering Department, Engineering Services Division, in Wilmington, following his graduation from the University of Rochester with a degree in chemical engineering. He has also done graduate study at Lamar Tech in Beaumont, Tex.



Many youngsters benefit from YMCA sponsored programs. These two are ready for basketball practice at the Hendersonville YMCA.



Rescue squads in both counties receive United Fund monies for vehicles and equipment used in rescue operations. The unit with searchlights pictured here is in Henderson County.

Emergency Training Proves Effective

It happened one recent Saturday evening, when a church group gathered in Ferrell Driskell's back yard for a picnic.

Most had finished eating and were enjoying the fellowship, chatting with friends, catching up on news.

One of the picnickers, Mrs. W. C. Pearson, was munching on a ham biscuit when a friend tapped her on the shoulder. As she turned her head, she swallowed, then jumped up clutching her throat. She couldn't speak.

Ferrell, who stood nearby talking with Mr. Pearson, realized that the food had lodged in her windpipe, cutting off her breathing. He quickly used the Heimlich maneuver, an emergency measure for ejecting food lodged in the throat, and restored her breathing ability.

"I pressed hard and nothing happened," he said. "I pressed again and heard a gurgling sound. I pressed the third time and dislodged the food."

Soon after starting with the company, he left for a three-year tour in the U. S. Navy. He returned to Du Pont in September 1963 and was given field assignments in Beaumont and then Newport, Del.

In November 1967, he was assigned Chemical Engineer Testing Supervisor at the Engineer Test Center at Louviers for four years. His next field assignment was Polyester Research Supervisor at Parlin, from which he transferred to Brevard.

Jerry and his wife Peggy live at 203 Winslow Drive, Hendersonville, with their four children. They are Kathy 13, James 11, John 3½ and Emily, nine months.

It was over in a matter of seconds, he said, but it seemed much longer.

Mrs. Pearson credits Ferrell with saving her life. "I felt I was going to die, but I heard him say he knew what to do. I relaxed and put my life in his hands. He performed a marvelous job in a very calm and efficient way."

Mrs. Pearson is grateful to Du Pont, she said, for providing training in emergency procedures for its employees.

Ferrell, X-ray Performance Specialist, Process Control, learned the maneuver when he took the cardiopulmonary resuscitation training offered by the medical department and taught by Carol Orr, plant nurse.

He admitted that he was a little shaken by the time it was over. It was his first occasion to put into action the emergency procedure he had learned.



Small children benefit from several United Fund agencies. Funds are channeled through Transylvania 4-C and used to pay a portion of the cost for children in Transylvania County Child Development Program whose parents can't pay the full cost. The little ones pictured above at play are at Children's House, the county's center for infants and toddlers.

Service Helps Consumers With Financial Problems

A family with financial problems may feel trapped and alone, with no place to find help. Indeed, when expenses exceed income over a period of time, the situation becomes overwhelming.

About 10 per cent of the public finds itself with financial problems so great that it needs help, according to Lee Dawes, Executive Director of the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Western North Carolina.

That means that perhaps 100 Du Pont employees have such problems.

CCCS, a non-profit organization that makes no charge for its services, works with families who are seeking ways to solve money problems.

It helps them relieve over-extended financial situations through budget

counseling, and arranges special debt pay-off procedures if necessary. This helps to repair damaged credit ratings.

Through an educational program, the service helps families prevent future financial problems.

The counseling is confidential, and is available to anyone who wants it.

Local employees who would like more information on the service or who want counseling may contact Ralph Breedlove, Area Supervisor, Personnel Development and Plant Security, who will direct them to the counseling service.

If several persons here request the service, Mrs. Dawes may schedule some days on the plant for the counseling.

Bob Fisher, a Du Pont retiree from

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