

Off-Job Safety Bingo Ends

Saf-T-Bingo will end when the current game is completed. It has been a part of our workday for almost two years.

"What's the number for today?" became a familiar question, and when there wasn't one, we asked what happened; that made it all worthwhile.

The program got off to a shaky start. Some people followed the game avidly from the first, but others threw their first card into the trash. After a few weeks, almost everyone played.

There were some surprises. Several players had to wait until all shifts had a chance to check their cards, then watched as someone else walked away with the money. C.B. Branson missed a \$100 prize after waiting eight days as he thought of ways to spend it. At the end of the next game, he missed the \$10 lemon award the same way.

Some of us enjoyed the game more

than others. Jim Farley and Millard Murdock probably liked it most. Each of them collected \$100 for "Picture Frame" covers, then won the "Black-out" prize for an additional \$125. When it's over, more than 60 employees will have divided over \$4,000 in cash. Most of us will still be wishing we could have at least had the worst card just once. Ten dollars for being worst is lots better than nothing for being mediocre.

The people who run the game have had some surprises, too. Although they had worked hard to develop a good set of rules, they had to go back from time to time to close loopholes and open opportunities. The decision to pay everyone in a tie was firm from the first; it didn't seem like ties would happen very often. When the very first award was won by Jim Cassell, James

Hall, Tammy Barnett and David Shelton, a few eyebrows went up. Their 4-way tie for \$25 prizes was never repeated, but a few extra antacid tablets were used when Franklin McCrary, Orville Mull and Rebecca Wynn all turned in winning cards in the \$125 game last November.

Most of the work is complete for the new off-job safety program which will be started in June. The Off-Job Safety Committee reminds everyone that the big winners are those who weren't hurt in the past two years. If you still have the eyes, fingers and toes you had when Bingo began, you've won a priceless prize by working and playing safely.

Many people will miss playing Bingo, but Becky McDaris is not one of them. She is the ERD secretary who has done the routine work of playing the game from day to day.

"My children have really given me a hard time about that," she says. "They like to talk people into asking what their mother does at Du Pont, so they can say 'She runs the Bingo game!'"



Jim Wert thanks Joe Ashley for addressing the Western North Carolina Safety Council.

Plant Receives Creel Award

This is the second consecutive year in which our plant has received the W. C. Creel Safety Award. Jim Wert, Safety Supervisor, accepted the award for the plant at the annual dinner meeting of the Western North Carolina Safety Council.

The Creel Award is the highest award given by the council. Only industries who have had no lost time on-job injuries are eligible to receive it. Our plant was one of only four industrial employers receiving the award; we were the only one to receive it for the second consecutive year.

The Council meets quarterly, with the dinner and awards meeting as an annual highlight. The main event of this meeting is a series of safety talks given by first line foremen and supervisors from the various member companies.

Joe Ashley of Casting Area spoke as one of the nine speakers featured this year. He pointed out to the attendees that positive results can come only from thinking positively, and that an effective safety program must begin with genuine concern for the well-being of people.

EEO Objectives Stated

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DERA Calls For Picnic Help

A DERA committee met on April 11 to begin planning the plant picnic which they have tentatively scheduled for August 18.

A general outline for a picnic might go this way: arrive, say hello, eat, play, relax. Those categories are very close to the areas in which DERA needs help from the members. The list of jobs is: decoration, parking, reception, food, games, announcing, music, fishing, amusements and Bingo.

"Putting on a successful party for some 3,000 people of all ages is a big job which calls for as many thinkers and do-ers as we can find," says Joe Light, DERA President.

"Al Haney badly needs to hear from people who will help him plan and direct parking; Fred Sorrells needs help

to plan and coordinate the games. The announcer's booth is a clearing house for all kinds of information about games and winners, children lost and things found. Jim Jacobs needs to find people to spend some time behind the microphone there."

Joe Light is presently working on amusements, Kathy Barnett has offered to work on decorations, and Harold Rahn is going to do Bingo again. Orville Mull will be working on fishing and music. No one is heading up Reception as yet.

The committee asks that every member consider where their particular abilities could be used for a little while in planning or working at the picnic.

Members who will help are asked to contact either Joe or the person working



The annual DERA Picnic will require many weeks of planning. Some of the members who have already started are (left to right); Carl Garren, Orville Mull, Dana Mason, Harold Rahn, Al Haney, Joe Light, Fred Sorrells.

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