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and October, 1966

Virginia Paoli, Editor



Yvonne Kirchenbauer, picnic chairman.

The 1966 annual company picnic was a record breaking day. The entire day was fog, rain, and disaster free. The weather was perfect....the turnout exceeded any previous picnic and the food was delicious.

The day was Saturday, August 13, 1966, and the locale was the setting of Curry Creek Park in Clayton Valley.

Picnic time began at 11:00 a.m. The chief cook, Mr. Schimbor, started the fun rolling by commencing with preparations for lunch.

The children ran, hopped, and tugged in five different competitive events.... with assorted prizes for each winner.

And the grown-ups? They had as much fun as the youngsters. Among the many events for the adults were Bingo, Horseshoe, Volleyball, and Swimming....with "delicious" prizes for the winners.

During the lunch period Mrs. Schimbor and Rollene Phillips served refreshments, which consisted of 168 hot dogs, 40 pounds of potatoe salad, over 180 canned soft drinks, 200 ice cream bars, 120 cookies, and refreshing cool drinks for the adults.

It is ture, we all had a sporting, eating, and drinking good time.

Before dismissing this memorable afternoon to history, let us put into words our special thanks to Yvonne Kirchenbauer, the picnic chairman, for planning and working so hard to make our picnic a successful, happy event.

Our thanks also go to George Kuehn and Larry Pease for the games; Mr. and Mrs. Schimbor and Rollene Phillips for lunch preparations; Tom Hale, John Pike, Herbert Liske, and Andy Guild for calling the Bingo numbers; all the children that helped clean up, and to Mr. Hallikainen for taking the pictures seen in this issue.



"Chief Cook"



#### TEN YEAR EMPLOYEE:

Last July Eero Vasankari completed ten full years with the company. When Eero started with H. I. there were only a few men in the plant, therefore, he fulfilled numerous positions in the machine shop. Due to his ability and diligence he is now our Leadman in the Machine Shop.

Eero was born and raised in Finland. After World War II there were few jobs in Finland, so Eero decided to come to the United States. Here he found many forms of occupation.

Berkeley was the first site in the Bay Area for Eero. There he worked as a carpenter. Eero then turned to the ocean for his livelihood. He bought a fishing boat and for two years was a commercial fisherman. As the fishing was sometimes slow, Eero selected another occupation. He chose to be a barber, but when he attempted to enter barber college he could not be accepted because the instructor was on vacation. Then Eero thought he would visit his sister while waiting for the barber instructor to return. During his stay in Berkeley, Eero attended a local dance and there he met our Tom Hale. Tom recommended H. I. to Eero as a possible place of employment. Ten years have passed and Eero and Tom both are among the few ten year employees.

Five years ago Eero was married to Elli, in their home country, Finland. Eero, Elli, and their two children, Kristiina age 4, and

Eric age 1½, now live in El Sobrante.

When Eero is not working, he enjoys playing his accordion or trying his luck at Reno.

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#### CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Saturday, December 17, 1966 is the date of the Adult Christmas Party, so mark your calendar and plan to come. The dance will be held at the Bermuda Room at the Richmond Civic Center Auditorium. Plans are now in the making for a smashing good party.

There will be no charge for employees. The price for all guests, other than the employees' spouse, girlfriend or boyfriend will be posted as soon as possible.

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY:

The Children's Christmas Party will be held in the office building of Hallikainen Instruments on Sunday, December 18, 1966, at 1:30 p.m.

Arrangements for the party are now being planned and a sign up sheet will be posted at a later date. The party is being planned for children through the ages of 12, but all children are welcome to come.

There will be entertainment for the children, refreshments for everyone and Santa Clause will make an appearance.

Make your plans now to bring your children.

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE:

The recreation committee chairman, Tom Hale, reports that ping-pong is now being played daily in the shipping department, and everyone is welcome to play. George Kuehn was selected as chairman of the ping-pong activities, so see him for more details.

Horseshoe equipment has been set up in back of the volleyball court for all interested employees.

The committee also has plans to install provisions for badminton and croquet games.

Speaking of recreation, "Who got mad at the volleyball?"

NEW EMPLOYEES:



Kira Loncheades, the charming new design draftswoman in the Engineering Department, was born and raised in Russia, but her family was forced to leave by the German government during the wartime. Kira studied drafting in Russia, and also received her degree in drafting there. She has held several positions as a draftswoman in Russia, Germany, and America.

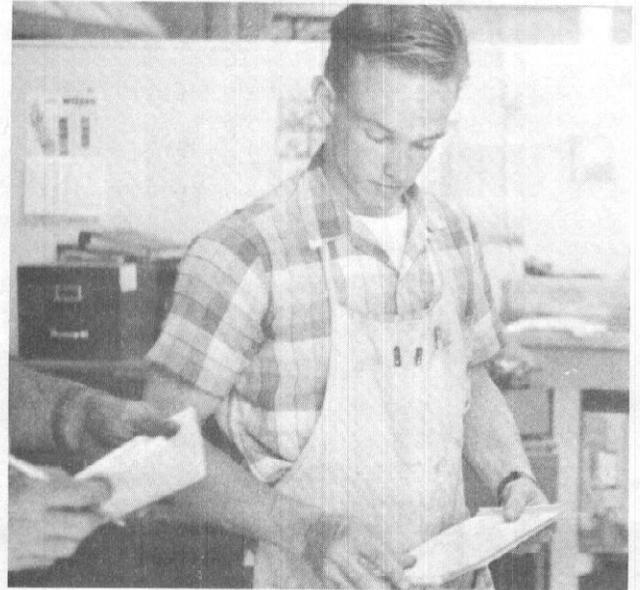
Kira and her husband, Victor, have three children; Andrey, Alex, and Leo.

Andrey, the oldest son, is attending the University of California in Berkeley, Alex is a sophomore at Contra Costa Junior College, and Leo is a senior at Richmond High School.

Kira enjoys spending her spare time writing poetry and listening to classical music. She would also like to attend night school to improve her English. When Kira feels she has mastered this language, we may be fortunate enough to publish one of her poems in our own Hallikainen highlights.

Kira says she likes America, and we are happy to have her with H. I.

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Arnold Hunn, the new shipping clerk, was born, raised, and lives here in Richmond.

Arnie as he prefers to be called, graduated from Harry Ells High School in 1963 and attended Contra Costa College 1½ years.

Before coming to work at Hallikainen Instruments, Arnie was employed by Alpha Scientific Laboratories Inc.

For relaxation Arnie likes to go fishing, hunting, and riding on his motorcycle.

Arnie and his wife, Cathy Ann, have one child, Jennifer, age three months.

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The pleasant new Sales Secretary, Clara

NEW EMPLOYEES: (continued)

Burrow, was born and raised in Idaho. After graduating from Lewis and Clark High School, Clara came to San Francisco and began working at Treasure Island as secretary to the Navy Exchange Officer.

Clara met her husband, Leroy, in San Francisco and was married in 1958. Clara resigned from her position with the Navy after fifteen years to devote more time to her little boy, Brian Scott, age 5. Clara also has two step-children, Ronald Lee, age 24, and Kenneth, age 18.

Ronald is married and lives in El Sobrante. Kenneth is attending Utah State College on a four year athletic scholarship. Brian Scott, the youngest Burrow, recently took his first step toward his schooling, Clara entered Brian in Kindergarten in September.

When Clara has spare time, she enjoys making quilts, mosaic pictures, and canning fruit.

The Burrows are now living in Pinole Valley.

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BITS ABOUT 'EM:

RESIGNATIONS: Dick Leuba has resigned from H. I. to accept a position at the University of California Space Lab in Berkeley.

Resigning in September was Melba Strickland and Herbert Liske. Melba has returned to Chico State to complete her college education as she wishes to become an English teacher.

Herbert resigned from part time employment with H. I. to return to San Francisco State College full time.

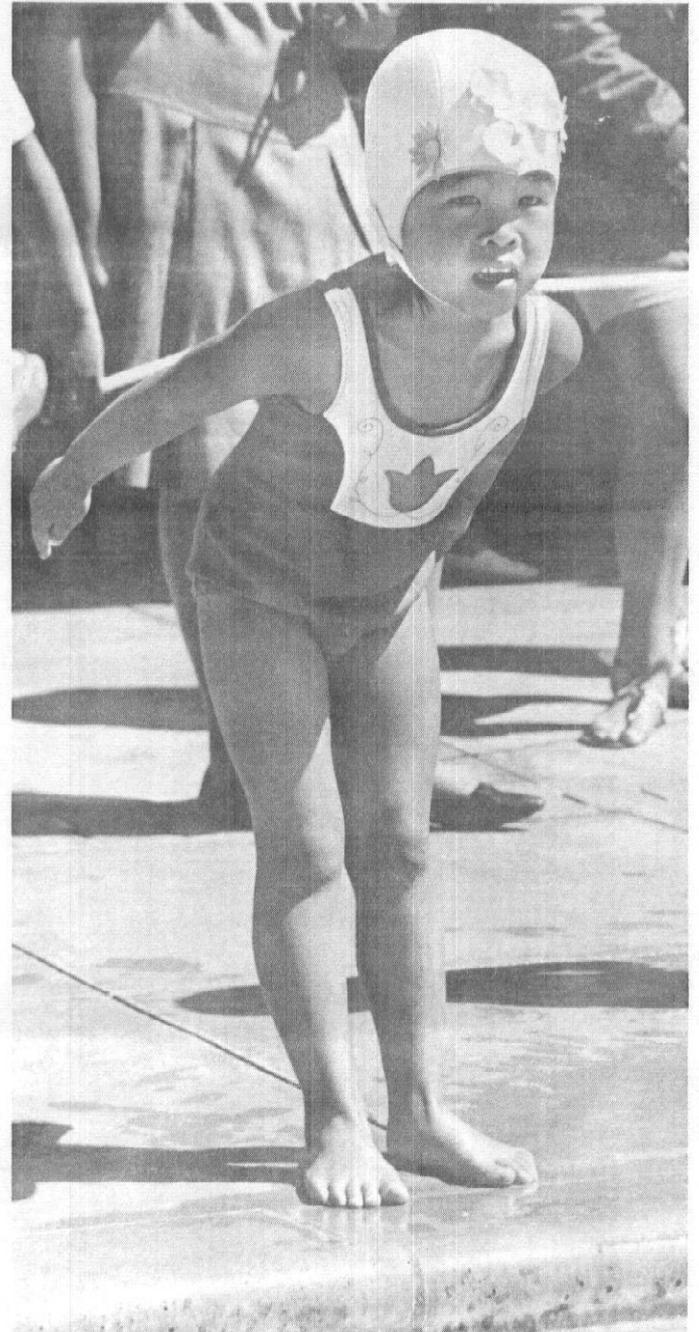
HOSPITALIZED: Robert L. Ludlum was a patient at the Community Hospital in Martinez. Bob had an appendicitis attack September 12, 1966. He has returned to his desk and hopes to return to the volleyball court soon.

FAREWELL TO OUR EDITOR: Rosemary Kirby has resigned to accept a position with Warner Chilcott Lab. We will miss Rosemary and would like to take this opportunity to commend her on her fine job as editor of Hallikainen hi-lights.

LUNCHEON WITH THE GIRLS: To the surprise and delight of the lady employees of H.I. Mr. Hallikainen "dropped in" the lunch-room last week, bringing his fish and chip

lunch, to share mutual conversation and relaxation.

TRAVELER: A wish came true to Al Jones, during the last week of September he began his long hoped for vacation to England. While visiting England Al will visit many of his friends and family. Have fun Al.



YOUNGER THAN SPRINGTIME: Probably the youngest swimmer in the field at El Cerrito Invitational was four-year-old Michele Chin, (John Chin's daughter) of the El Cerrito Gators, shown about

to hit the drink in the six and under girls' freestyle relay.

MORE PICTURES FROM THE COMPANY PICNIC

INTRODUCING: Donna Carrington, our new receptionist. (More about her in the next issue.)

EDITOR'S NOTE:



Most of you may have discovered by now that H. I. has a new employee in the Administration Department, as well as a new editor. This being my first attempt at editing and due to my limitations as a new employee, I would appreciate receiving any news items, stories, and suggestions you may have.

I came to work for H. I. on September 12, formerly I was employed four years with Title Insurance and Trust Company as an Escrow Officer.

My husband, Rich, and I enjoy spending our spare time pheasant hunting, trout fishing, attending sports events, and water skiing.

Recently we purchased our home in Pinole Valley.

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HAS ANYONE NOTICED how everything falls apart when Mr. Hallikainen, Mr. Schimbor, Mr. Waner, Mr. Valley, and Mr. Clark are away? If you didn't notice our lobby, ask Barbara Goode about it!

