Clarkson Dedicates New Lab

Officials from industry and Clarkson University were on hand at the dedication of the new computer assisted engineering/computer assisted design/computer assisted manufacturing (CAE/CAD/CAM) laboratory.

The lab will house equipment worth $675,000 that was donated to Clarkson by the General Electric Company and the Calma Company, a subsidiary of General Electric, in conjunction with Data General Corporation.

The gift, a Calma P4280 GDSII Electronic Design System, is electronic state-of-the-art CAD/CAM equipment consisting of two RC510 design stations, one HP7580 plotter, an MVTII hard copy unit and electronic design application software.

"This gift is a valuable addition to Clarkson's expanding manufacturing program in engineering, especially in the electrical and computer engineering area," noted university President Robert A. Plane.

"Clarkson and G.E. continue to enjoy a mutually beneficial relationship. The university is one of three schools nationwide from which G.E. hires the greatest number of graduates," he said.

Daniel McGlaughlin, Calma president, said, "We are delighted to be part of Clarkson's activity in the CAE/CAD/CAM area. The growth of this industry requires the continuing contribution and leadership by universities such as Clarkson to educate and train these leaders for tomorrow."

The Calma P4280 system will be used in undergraduate classroom instruction relating to design and layout of integrated circuits and for special projects and research work. The equipment is now being used in a VLSI (Very Large Scale Integration) course where 42 students work on the design and layout of integrated circuits.

Next semester it will also be used in an integrated circuit fabrication course for which 98 students have already pre-registered. Professor Henry Domingos of Clarkson's electrical and computer engineering department teaches these classes and regards the Calma gift as a tool which provides first-hand knowledge about modern techniques now being used by industry, he said.

Migratory Bird Stamps Offered

Environmental Conservation Commissioner Henry G. Williams has announced that New York State will initiate a Migratory Bird [illegible] in the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats.

"All outdoor enthusiats will be able to purchase stamps and order prints beginning in the spring of 1985," said Commissioner Williams. "I want to stress that their purchase will be strictly voluntary, and that revuenues generated wll be deposited into a special account in the Conservation Fund and used exclusively for the acquisition and management of migratory bird habitats both in New York and Canada."

"Stamps and prints will be full-color reproductions created by nationally recognized artists," Commissioner Williams noted. "The stamps will be numbered, and the limited edition prints will be signed and numbered by the artists. The subject of the 1985 first-of-state stamp and print will be the Canada goose."

Legislation creating the migratory bird stamp and print program was passed in the 1984 legislative session. The bill was developed and supported by several conservation groups. The department has worked closely with an advisory committee to establish the criteria by which the program will be implemented and requests for production and marketing proposals have been sent to many national firms which specialize in wildlife art. A contract is expected to be establshed early in 1985.

Revenue from the program will allow the department to greatly expand protection and management of wetlands and associated habitats for migratory birds in New York State, and to improve public access to these areas for hunting, bird watching and wildlife photography. Approximately one-half of the revenue will be used to create and improve migratory bird breeding habitats in Canada where a majority of the birds that migrate through New York are produced. These projects will be implemented under contract and with the approval of New York State.

Many other states have similar migratory bird stamp and print programs, and there is a strong market for this art which usually appreciates in value, especially first-year issues. Although final prices have not been established, New York State stamps will cost $5.50 and prints will be approximately $140.

NiMo To Refund Overcharges

ALBANY — Paul L. Gioia, chairman of the Public Service Commission, has announced that Niagara Mohawk, as a result of an audit by the commission staff, is voluntarily returning to its customers about $1.45 million that it erroneously collected through its fuel adjustment charge.

"As part of our continuous audit of utility accounts, our staff discovered that Niagara Mohawk had recovered some fuel-related expenses twice — through base rates and through the operation of the fuel adjustment clause," Gioia said.

"When this double recovery was called to the company's attention, it offered to flow back the amount involved with interest to its customers in the December fuel adjustment computation."

Gioia explained that the double recovery involved fuel oil used to heat the No. 6 fuel oil storage tanks at the Oswego steam plant, so that the extremely heavy oil will flow to the boilers.

Historically, that has been accounted for as a handling cost of fuel, and recovered through the base rates for electricity.

The staff auditors discovered, however, that in January 1983, a company employee who apparently was not aware of the way these costs were recovered, also entered them into the fuel adjustment computation.

The fuel adjustment is intended to reflect month-to-month changes in the cost of fuel used per kilowatt hour of electricity produced; handling charges are not supposed to be included.

WSLU To Broadcast 'Greateful Dead'

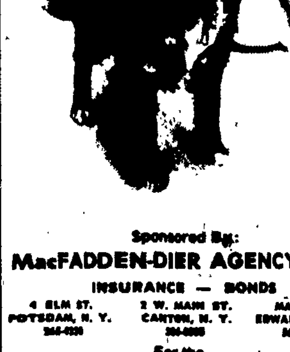
CANTON — Turn up your radio and put on your high-heeled sneakers. North Country Public Radio presents a live broadcast of The Grateful Dead's New Year's Eve Extravaganza direct from San Francisco, via satellite, on New Year's Eve.

The Grateful Dead, historically one of this country's most prolific and active bands, has made a tradition of hosting a gala celebration each New Year's Eve. This year's celebration will be broadcast live from San Francisco beginning at 1 a.m. and carrying on until 5 a.m. The special broadcast will be hosted by none other than comedian Father Guido Sarducci.

Join the party on New Year's Eve on WSLU, North Country Public Radio at 89.5 on your FM dial.

PET OF THE WEEK...

My name is TUFFER. I'm a 6-year-old black and white male, Cocker-Lab mix. I'm housebroken and would love to share your home.



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Community Events

NEW YEAR'S DAY OUTING
Jan. 1 — Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club will hold its annual New Year's Day outing on Tuesday at Clarkson's Seven Springs ski area between Colton and Parishville. Members and others interested in the club are invited to come and bring a snack to share. Weather permitting, both cross-country and downhill skiing will be available. There will be a general gathering and sharing of snacks in the lodge between 1-2 p.m.; beverages will be provided. Those planning to attend are asked to call nancy Eldblom at 265-5365.

HILLTOPPERS MEETING
Jan. 2 — The Parishville Hilltoppers Senior Citizens will hold a covered dish supper at 6 p.m. on Wednesday at the Parishville Town Hall. Dancing will be from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. with music by Personally Yours. All senior citizens are welcome.

WOMEN'S AGLOW FELLOWSHIP
Jan. 2 — The monthly luncheon-meeting of the Ogdensburg Chapter of Women's Aglow Fellowship will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at The Woodlands Restaurant, Rt. 37, Riverside Drive. Mrs. Shirley Lamendola of Canton will be the guest speaker. Price of the luncheon is $3. Reservations are appreciated and can be made by calling Claire Brown at [illegible] babysitting is available and information about babysitting can be obtained by calling the above number. Women of all denominational backgrounds are invited and encouraged to attend. Pastors are invited as guests of the chapter.

AAUW Sponsors Workshop

Beth Cardinal will present a workshop on "Vision building: Process in Empowering Women to Develop Visions and Achieve Growth and Change" on Jan. 19 at 11:30 a.m. at the St. Lawrence County Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) luncheon meeting at the Presbyterian Center in Potsdam.

Members are asked to bring bread, salad, or quiche to share and place settings for themselves and guests.

For more information contact Sylvia Broer at 764-0412, Birgit Weaver at 265-5506, or Judith Wagner at 393-7531.

10-CENT SALE
Jan 3-4 — The Salvation Army clothing room, 178 Victory Road, Massena, will hold its 10-cent sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

SENIOR CITIZENS
Jan. 10 — The regular meeting of the St. Lawrence County Council of Senior Citizens will be at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in Midtown Apartments, Potsdam. There will be installation of officers for 1985.

CO-OP MEETING
Jan. 10 — There will be a Potsdam Consumer Co-op board meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Potsdam United Methodist Church. All members are welcome.

LA LECHE LEAGUE
Jan. 10 — (Please note new day and time.) "Advantages of Breast-feeding" will be the informal discussion topic at the regular monthly meeting of the Potsdam area La Leche League slated for 9:30 a.m. on Thursday at the home of Sonya Walts, 66 Lawrence Ave., Potsdam. Any woman wishing mother-to-mother breast-feeding help and information is welcome. For further details please call [illegible] at 265-685[illegible]

PHCS MEETING
Jan. 14 — The regular meeting of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District Board of Education will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the high school library.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Jan. 16 — There will be a meeting of the North Country Regional Economic Development Council at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Raymond Hall, Potsdam College campus.

CHILDBIRTH CLASSES
Jan. 21 — Registration is now being taken for childbirth classes beginning Jan. 21. The six week series covers pregnancy, labor and delivery, and postpartum by means of lectures lectures, discussions, films and exercise sessions. For more information contact Darcy Drummond at 769-9479.

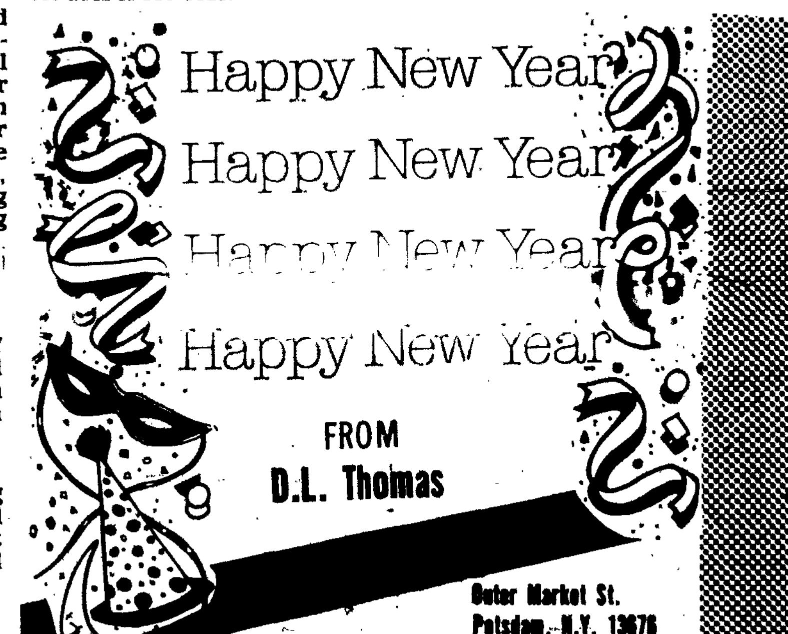
LUPUS SUPPORT GROUP
SECOND TUESDAY — Lupus Support Group, for patients and their families, meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 97 Elm St., Potsdam. For more information call 265-5689 or 322-5579.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD
MONDAY-THURSDAY — Hours for Planned Parenthood of Northern New York, 80 East Main St., Canton, are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and some additional evening hours. Services include medical examinations, contraception, pregnancy testing, and education. Cost is based on a sliding fee scale according to family size and income. All services are confidential. For more information or to make an appointment, call 386-2441 or 386-8821.

BIRTHRIGHT
MONDAY-SATURDAY — Birthright volunteers are available to assist with problem pregnancy cases in the area. They may be contacted by calling 265-4510 Monday through Saturday evenings between 7:30 and 10 p.m. All services are confidential and free of charge.

BRIDGE LESSONS
EVERY WEDNESDAY — Everett Wells of Ogdensburg will give bridge lessons from 7-9 p.m. every Wednesday in the Canton Savings and Loan Association, Main Street. For more information call 386-2726 or 386-3456.

DIVORCED, SEPARATED CATHOLICS
EVERY FRIDAY — The Divorced and Separated Catholic Support Group meets at 7:30 p.m. Fridays in St. Mary's Church, except the last Friday of the month, when the group meets at 6 p.m. for a potluck supper. Everyone welcome regardless of religious affiliation.



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