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# Data General Aids Efforts To Fight Famine In Ethiopia

Data General this week announced a donation of \$18,405 to the Boston Christmas Message Business Initiative, a citizens group, to aid efforts to fight famine in Ethiopia.

The amount represents a \$1 donation on behalf of each Data General employee worldwide. In an effort to stimulate local support, Boston-area companies were asked to donate the \$75,000 needed to lease a 36-ton cargo jet to carry food and supplies to Ethiopia. Data General joined forces with other corporations to meet this goal.

On behalf of Data General, Wayne Fitzsimmons, we president of Americas/Far East, says, "Data General is a worldwide company and the famine in Africa is a world catastrophe. With nearly one third of our employees located in international offices, Data General is concerned and wants to help relieve this distressing situation."

The crisis afflicting Ethiopia has been caused by a prolonged drought and poor farming practices of the Ethiopians. More than 300,000 Ethiopians have died since the situation began, and 10 million are at risk.

#### Cargo Commitments

Pharmaceutical supplies and money for food to be transported to Ethiopia on the cargo jet are being acquired through a joint fund raising effort conducted by Oxfam America and local broadcasting station WB7

Oxfam America is a Boston-based, non-profit organization that has raised more than \$4 million in the past two months for aid to Ethiopia.

During their initial meeting, representatives of Oxfam America and WBZ spoke of raising funds to supply the cargo for a plane bound for Ethiopia. But first, funds had to be raised to lease a cargo plane. In this purpose, the Boston Christmas Message Business Initiative was formed.

This citizens group contacted local corporations and businesses to ask for their support in raising the needed \$75,000. Data General agreed to help. "This venture is an opportunity for Data General to join forces with other corporations and others in the business community in support of a most worthwhile cause," says Wayne.

#### **Press Conference**

At a press conference held Wednesday in Boston, the Boston Christmas Message Business Initiative announced that it had reached its goal of funding the cargo jet. At the same time, Oxfam America and WBZ stated that the food and supplies to fill the jet would come from additional donations from individuals and businesses.

Among the supplies to be airlifted to Ethiopia via the cargo jet are more than 10 tons of donated antibiotic medicines and dietary supplements. According to Joseph Kennedy, president of the Citizens Energy Corp., the drugs have been donated by members of the Generic Pharmaceutical Industry Association.

Throughout this endeavor, Data General is in close contact with three relief groups to ensure the supplies are properly distributed within Ethiopia. Besides the Boston Christmas Message Business Initiative and Oxfam America, the Christian Relief Development Association in Ethiopia has been charged with the task of distributing the supplies in Africa. Upon confirmation of delivery, the funds committed by Data General will be expended.

#### Benefactors

Data General's contribution was nearly twice that of any other contributor. Data General led this effort in pushing the Boston Christmas Message Business Initiative over the top to meet its goal. Other companies involved are Raytheon, Digital Equipment Corporation, Lotus, Gillette, Wang Laboratories, the Sheraton Corporation and Appollo.

# View The DATA GENERAL/One On TV Weekend Sports Events



"You can't deliver your message unless you grab people's attention," says Hugh Johnston, Advertising and Sales promotion manager for the Desktop Division at Westboro. "The DATA GENERAL / One advertisements actively invite the viewer to keep watching," he says.

If you tune into NBC's Bob Hope Desert Golf Classic or the Volvo Tennis Championship on CBS Sunday you will catch a glimpse of the new DATA GENERAL/One personal portable computer advertising which was launched last week. During January the 60-second and 30-second series, filmed in London, will be aired on ABC's "20/20" and "60 Minutes," Sundays on CBS.

"Escape from your deskbound PC...Escape with a DATA GENERAL/One portable computer" is the message you will see on CBS, ABC, and NBC network news broadcasts throughout the month.

The advertisement focuses on all the special features of the DATA GENERAL / One - its portability, full-size screen, compact size and its compatibility.

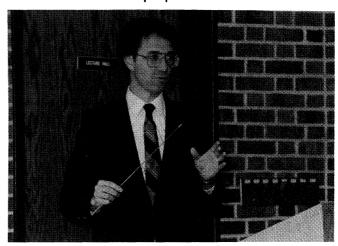
# Software Reliability Is Theme of FE Seminar

"Software Design and Testing for Reliability" was the topic of the fourth in a series of Field Engineering technical meetings held recently at Data General-Woodstock. More than 80 Data General employees from Diagnostics, Software Quality and Support, Design Assurance, Software Development, Management Information Systems, Software Support, Product Reliability and Maintainability attended.

Dr. Martin Shooman, professor of electrical engineering and computer science at the Polytechnic Institute of New York, and Dr. Richard LeBlanc, associate professor of computer science at the Georgia Institute of Technology, were guest speakers.

The need of managing software development for reliability was stressed by Professor Leblanc, who identified the need for feedback among stages within the software development process. He recommended using system verification diagrams for quirements, program design language for detailed design and structured code for implementation.

Professor Shooman presented a statistical model of the occurence of software failures, based on a "hazard" function, during a discussion on the "Measurement and Modeling of Software Reliability". The changing reliability of systems with various "hazard" functions, over time, was shown and a simple, constant method was proposed for software.



Professor Richard Leblanc of Georgia Institute of Technologies spoke at the recent Software Reliability seminar held at Da General-Woodstock.

# Named General Manager For U.K. And Ireland

lain Davidson has been named general manager for Data General operations in the United Kingdom and Ireland, reporting to Data General-Europe Vice President Ray Fortune.

Prior to his promotion, lain had been National Sales manager for the same territory. He came to Data General last February after 14 years at Burroughs where he held numerous marketing positions, including general manager of Southern England.

lain holds a degree from Glasgow University.

# Westboro

# **Having Telephone Problems?**

If you are having trouble placing or receivelephone calls from Westboro telephones, do not despair. There are two extensions available for reporting problems.

If the difficulty appears to lie with the set itself: no dial tone, lamps or buttons are not functioning properly, call extension 6055.

If there is interference in placing or receiving calls, all extension 6056.

# Sign Up For PRIDE Circle Leader Training

PRIDE Circle Leader Training will be held at Westboro January 29 through February 1 in the PRIDE Circle conference room. Classes will be conducted by John Thompson and Anita Cederholm of PRIDE Circle Administration and Training. All Westboro employees are invited to attend.

Training will focus on PRIDE Circle problem solving techniques, including brainstorming, cause-and-effect analysis, Pareto Analysis and data collection and analysis. Also to be covered is group dynamics, communications, leadership and motivation.

Interested employees may contact John at extension 4929 or Anita at extension 4886 to enroll or for further information.

# People

#### Engineering Tools...

Programmer *Ray Lischner* and Software Engineer *Dave Roberts* have joined Engineering Tools, reporting to Section Manager Dave Kuchta.

Ray designs and implements new Computer Aided Design (CAD) tools. He is a 1984 graduate of California Institute of Technology.

Dave maintains and enchances existing CAD software and designs new CAD systems.

Before joining Data General, Dave was with The Center for Interactive Computer Graphics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He received a BS in computer and systems engineering from Rensselaer.

#### In Corporate Marketing...

Marketing Communications Specialist *Caren Zelten* recently joined Corporate Marketing, reporting to Creative Director Nick Leoutsakos. She handles Sales promotion for divisions and corporate publications.

While a student at Assumption College in Worcester, Caren was an intern within Corporate Communications at Norton Company.

Karen earned a BA in English at Assumption in ay.

#### In NASD...

Christine Kaplan has re-joined Data General, responsible for business automation programs and Major Opportunities within North American Sales and Systems Division (NASD) Marketing Programs. She reports to Manager Tom Raleigh.

For the past five years, Christine was with Wang where she was most recently Marketing manager for Virtual Storage software. Prior to Wang, she was a Marketing specialist at Data General.

Christine holds an MBA from Boston College, a master's degree from the University of Chicago and a BA in mathematics from the College of New Rochelle.

#### In ISD...

Public Relations Specialists *Lyn Anderson* and *Amy Drill* have joined the Information Systems Division, reporting to Sue Myers, manager of Public Relations for Marketing Information.

Lyn comes to Data General from Boston University where she was a lecturer in Public Relations at the School of Public Communication. Before that she operated a public relations consulting firm and was promotional director and public relations coordinator in public radio and television.

Lyn earned bachelor's degrees in economics and speech communication at Pennsylvania State University.

Amy was most recently with Creamer Dickson Basford Public Relations in Boston where she was responsible for publicity programs, media relations and account management. Before that she was with an advertising agency, managing program distribution and promotion for public television stations.

Amy earned a degree in communications/advertising and marketing from Boston University.

#### In Engineering Services...

**Randy Frost** joins Engineering Services as an Engineering Change Order (ECO) planner, processing ECO changes to product documentation. He reports to Fred Mueller.

Randy is a 1984 graduate of Keene State College, Keene, New Hampshire, with a BS in industrial technology.

#### In Software Development...

Small Operating Systems has welcomed *Norman Joslin*, a software engineer who reports to Section Manager Paul Woodbury.

While a student at Northeastern University Norman worked at Data General as a co-op student. He received a BS in computer science from Northeastern in June.

# Milford

### **People**

#### In FE Hardware Support Engineering...

Al Amjadi has joined Hardware Support Engineering as a product support engineer, reporting to Manager Jim Gossett. He supports the Communications group within Hardware Support.

Prior to joining Data General, Al was an instructor at the University of Bridgeport, and before that a research engineer at Norwalk Hospital in Connecticut.

Al holds an MS in electrical engineering and a BS in computer engineering, both from the University of Bridgeport.

#### In FE Technical Services...

Associate Technical Editor *Evelyn Hopkins* has joined Field Engineering Technical Publications, reporting to Bill Hoermann, Technical Writing manager. She supports the Small Systems Writing group.

Evelyn comes to Data General from Computer Signal Processors Inc. (CSPI) where she was a publications assistant.

Evelyn earned a BA from Boston College.

#### In FE Logistics...

**Lloyd Carney** joins Field Engineering Logistics Test Engineering, reporting to Section Manager David Golden. He develops test applications packages for automatic test equipment for the Product Repair Center.

Before Data General Lloyd was with RCA in Burlington, recently as a test engineer and before that a co-op student.

Lloyd earned an associate's degree and a BS in electrical engineering, both from Wentworth Institute of Technology.

#### In Woodstock...

**Peter Caton** has joined the Field Engineering Education Center at Data General-Woodstock as a senior instructor, reporting to Chris Peterson, section manager for I/O systems.

Before Data General Peter was with Scitex Corporation where he was an instructor and technical support engineer, and prior to that he was with the U.S. Navy, three years as a technical instructor.

Peter holds a BA from Eastern Connecticut State College.

## **Activities**

#### Data General Day At The Computer Museum Feb. 23

The Computer Museum on Museum Wharf in Boston is the only institution of its kind in the world, chronicling the evolution of information processing from the abacus to the silicon chip through exhibitions, archives, publications and programs.

Saturday, February 23 is Data General Day at the museum. All you have to do is to show your badge and you and your family will be admitted free from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Directions:** To get to the musuem, take the Mass Pike East to the last exit; follow signs to South Station; pass South Station and take a right onto Congress Street. The museum is located near the Milk Bottle and the Children's Museum.

Parking is available near the museum.

#### Discount Tickets For Boat Show

The Data General Activities Committee has discount tickets (\$3.00 each) for the Annual Boat Show at the Hynes Auditorium in Boston, February 2 - 10. Send requests to BOAT SHOW, MS B111. Include a stamped, home-addressed envelope. Checks must be payable to Data General Activities Committee.

#### "The Muppet Show On Tour" At The Centrum

"The Muppet Show On Tour" will be center stage at the Worcester Centrum Wednesday, January 23 to Sunday, January 27. This appearance is the only scheduled one for the Muppets in New England.

Discount tickets (\$6.00) for the Thursday, January 24, 7:30 p.m. performance, are available through the Data General Activities Committee. Requests, which should be accompanied by a home-addressed stamped envelope, should be sent to MUPPETS, MS D232. Checks are payable to the committee.

#### Ski Club Will Head For Quebec City Winter Carnival

The Data General Ski Club will travel to Quebec City, Canada, February 14-17 to enjoy one of the most popular winter carnivals in the Northeast. The trip includes round-trip transportation via luxury motorcoach, complimentary beverages served enroute, three nights' accommodations at Loew's Le Concorde Hotel, baggage handling and a pass-book of discount coupons for Quebec City.

The cost is \$215.50 for double occupanc \$193.50 for triple, and \$172.50 for quad. For additional information on the Quebec trip contact Debbie Hixson at MS C223 in Westboro or Karen Crandell at Southboro MS 4-OP.

#### Chess Tournament Begins January 31

A five-round tournament is planned by the Data aneral Chess Club. Free and open to all employees, and one will take place Thursday, January 31, at 5:15 p.m. in the Pizzeria at Westboro. Succeeding rounds will be played on consecutive Thursday nights.

Anyone wishing to enter the tournament send your name, extension and mail stop to Mike Pavlov, MS A121 at Westboro or call extension 6221 by Friday, January 25.

Top finishers will receive prizes and the champion's name will be engraved on the club plaque displayed in the Westboro main cafeteria.

#### Data General Waliybali League

Wallyball League standings for the 1984-85 season, weeks 1 to 9, are as follows:

#### **Competitive Division**

Team #	Team Name	Won	Lost	Tied	Match Pts
2	Renaissance	21	5	1	39
21	Moura	20	7	0	34
1	Insecurity	15	6	0	30
3	Spanish Inquisition	12	14	1	23
20	CAD Tools	8	18	1	17
-	Over The Hill Gang	8	18	1	17
040	Murphy's Law	4	20	0	8

#### **Division A**

Team #	Team Name	Won	Lost	Tied	Match Pts
5	Off The Wall	23	4	0	46
10	WCIF	16	8	0	32
23	Wallbangers	15	12	0	28
9	Narwhals	14	10	0	28
22	Wingtips	12	12	0	22
25	Commfusion	12	12	0	20
24	The Open Wrecks	12	15	0	20
16	Next Rev	10	14	0	18
4	MSE Networkers	10	17	0	16
18	Cables	3	21	0	6

Mini News is published weekly for the employees of Data General-Westboro. Material may be submitted for publication to Joan Simoneau, extension 4711, MS A235. Data General - An Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### **Division B**

Team #	Team Name	Won	Lost	Tied	Match Pts
11	Flexible Flyers	18	8	1	32
8	Lynch Mob	18	6	0	31
12	Corp Mat I	15	12	0	26
17	DS & C	13	3	0	25
13	Corp Mat II	13	8	0	24
26	Misfits	13	11	0	24
27	Data_Who?	12	11	1	24
14	Wide Returns	6	18	0	12
15	Nameless Horde	5	19	0	10
19	Eng. Tools	4	23	0	8

#### Data General Basketball League Standings

Standings in the Data General 1984-85 Basketball League are the following:

# Competitive League Division A

Team	w	L	%	PF	PA		
Lakers	6	0	1.000	378	225		
Beefeaters	4	2	0.667	251	247		
M.S.D.	3	3	0.500	267	262		
High Finance	1	5	0.167	241	311		
Infinite Hoops	1	5	0.167	182	276		
Division B							
Team	w	L	%	PF	PA		
S.I.D.	5	0	1.000	235	176		
N.A.F.E.	4	1	0.800	231	177		
Floating Points	3	2	0.600	210	231		
S.D.D.	2	3	0.400	199	231		
T.P.D.	2	4	0.333	139	145		
Stevies Wonders	0	5	0.000	188	242		
Recreational League							
Team	w	L	%	F	PA		
The Clash	3	0	1.000	146	87		
No Names	3	1	0.750	138	134		
Question Auth.	2	1	0.667	104	99		
I.S.D.	1	2	0.333	96	107		
C.P.D.	1	2	0.333	112	127		
Alley Oops	1	3	0.250	112	121		
Logistics	1	3	0.250	127	160		

## **Benefits**

#### A Reminder...

New participants in the Stock Purchase Plan or those making changes must complete the authorization form and return it to the Benefits section of the Personnel department no later than Friday, January 18, 1985.

Employees eligible to participate in the Stock Purchase Plan have received notification of the new purchase period. Current participants making no changes are not required to complete the authorization form.

#### **Employee Investment Information**

(As of December 31, 1984)

#### Savings & Investment Program

Guaranteed Fund (Current Return)

Balanced Fund (Share Value)

Equity Fund (Share Value)

Loan Interest Rate

12.5%

\$10.95

\$9.84

13.5%

Data General Stock

Current Price (as of 12/31) \$58.75

# Data General Is An Equal Opportunity Employer

We remind all Data General employees that we are strong believers in equal employment opportunity and adhere to an Affirmative Action Program.

In the event that some employees may not be totally familiar with our Equal Employment Opportunity policy we take this opportunity to reiterate and reaffirm it:

Data General's Equal Employment Opportunity policy is a written formalization of the policy that has been in effect at Data General Corporation. It has been prepared to accurately reflect our actions to date and our intention for future action. The president of Data General has made clear to all members of the organization his intent to not only satisfy the requirements of the law but to practice the intent of the law to the fullest.

Provisions have been made for reporting and monitoring all Affirmative Action Program procedures which include, but are not limited to:

1. Recruiting, hiring, training and promoting of all applications and employees in job classifications without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex or national origin. Employing and advancing in employ-

ment otherwise qualified handicapped individuals and disabled veterans without discrimination based on their handicap, and qualified Vietnam era veterans.

- 2. Basing decisions on employment so as to furth, the principle of equal employment opportunity.
- Insuring that promotion decisions are in accord with principles of equal employment by imposing only valid requirements for promotional opportunities.
- 4. Insuring that all other Personnel actions such as compensation, benefits, transfers, layoffs, return from layoff, company sponsored training, education, tuition assistance, social and recreation programs, will be administered without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

Employees who have questions about any aspects of our equal opportunity programs may contact their supervisors and/or Personnel departments. Responsibility for all Equal Employment Opportunity and the Affirmative Action programs has been assigned to each Personnel manager.

## Notice to Handicapped And Disabled Veterans

Data General wants to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified han capped individuals and disabled veterans. If you have a handicap or are a disabled veteran and would like to be considered under the Affirmative Action program, please tell us. Any information is voluntary and refusal to provide it will not affect your employment. Information obtained shall be kept confidential, except that:

- 1. Supervisors and managers may be informed regarding restrictions on the work or duties of handicapped individuals or disabled veterans, and regarding necessary accommodations;
- 2. First aid and safety personnel may be informed, when and to the extent appropriate, if the condition might require emergency treatment; and
- 3. Certain government officials may be informed. If you are handicapped or a disabled veteran, we would like to include you under the Affirmative Action program. It would assist us if you tell us about:
- a. Any special methods, skills and procedures which qualify you for positions that you might not otherwise be able to do because of your handicap, so that you will be considered for any positions of that kind;
- **b.** The accommodations which we could make which would enable you to perform the job properly a safely.

Please contact your supervisor or Personnel representative.

#### **CARPOOL**

**Carpool**, to Webo from Chelmsford, 8 - 4:30, 454-6052 (Lowell).

#### **\*1ARKETPLACE**

#### REF

Hamster, small cage, 9 mo old, 481-4140 (Marlboro).

**Dog**, male, blk, mix breed, 7 mo. old, some shots, paper trained, 865-6906 (Millbury).

#### **FOR RENT**

Killington Townhouse, fully furnished w/sauna, slps 6, avail Sun night - Friday mornings, beginning Jan 20 - March 14, \$100/night, 534-3461 (Leominster).

'84 Motorhome, 30 ft, Pace Arrow, self-contained, \$500/wk, 756-0058 (Worcester).

**Duplex**, 5 rm, new bath & 1/2, cabinet kitchen, in-ground pool, \$575/mo & util, 1st & last mo rent, sec dep, 234-3103 (Whitinsville).

**Duplex**, 7 rm, new bath, wall-to-wall, \$550/mo + util, 1st & last, 234-3103 (Whitinsville).

Storage, for cars, boats, trailers, motorcycles, furniture, etc., 234-3103 (Whitinsville)

Apt, 4 rms, 2 bdrms, \$525/mo + util, 478-3782 (Milford).

House, at Killington, fully furnished, 3 bdrms, jacuzzi, weekly and daily rental rail, 655-1368/739-6695 (Natick).

NH Chalet, in White Mts, 3 bdrms w/fireplace, skiing 1 mi away, \$175/wkend, \$275/wk, 872-1818 (Framingham).

Westboro Studio Condo, swimming pool, tennis courts, avail for immediate occupancy, unfurnished/semi-furnished, \$375/mo, 256-3675 (Chelmsford).

**Condo**, Stowe, VT, avail 1/26-2/2, 2 bdrm, slps 6, fireplace, \$700, 883-3559 (Bellingham).

#### WANTED

**Roommate**, to share 3 bdrm apt, \$180/mo + util, 753-1168 (Worcester).

Roommate, to share 2 bdrm house, hot tub, Uxbridge, \$250/mo + util, 473-2597 (Milford).

Band Members, seeking rehearsal space in Worcester, Saturdays, hrs 12 - 7 p.m., 422-6002 (Sterling).

**Ballroom Dancing Partner**, friday nights, female, 966-2738 (Bellingham).

2 Frequent Flyer Coupons, good in U.S. until May 15, 263-3159 (Acton).

Babysitter, female seeking housing in exchange for babysitting or light house cleaning, Worcester or Shrewsbury area, 232-9673 (Brookline).

car garage, \$300/mo + util, 842-3916 (Shrewsbury).

**Roommate**, to share 1st fl. of house, \$250 +, 393-2475 (Northboro).

Roommate, to share 2 bdrm apt in Marlboro, Royal Crest, \$220/mo + 1/2 util, 481-9594 (Marlboro).

#### FOR SALE

Men's ski boots, Caber, size 12, \$50, 366-6122 (Westboro).

VT-180X PC (DEC), 4 drives, software & many extras, \$1200, 832-4029 (Auburn). House, 46 ft split entry, fireplace in living rm, family rm w/woodstove & built in bar, wall-to-wall throughout, much more, \$104,900, 883-9663 (Blackstone).

1 YR Membership to Joy of Movement Dance & Fitness Center, can be used at all locations, BO, 753-3389 (Worcester). Items, Furniture, tools, appliances, etc., reasonable prices, 234-9694 (Whitinsville).

X-C Skis, Fischer Nordic, 205 cm, \$130; Light touring, used once, \$85, 393-7304 (Northboro).

**Den Set**, 3 pc, \$150/BO, 278-5360 (Uxbridge).

Stereo Equipment, Bar/Disco lights w/AM/FM/8 track tape recorder and record player, \$500, 365-2532 (Lancaster).

Vinyl Swivel Platform Rocker, dk brown, \$35, 872-5562 (Framingham).

**Sewing Machines**, 2, Singer Touch and Sew and Kenmore w/table, 537-9881 (Leominster).

**Tickets**, for Daytona 500 Auto Race, 2, 755-6267 (Shrewsbury).

Chandelier, contemporary chrome & glass, \$25, 366-6189 (Westboro).

**Puppies**, AKC registered white toy poddles, m/f, \$200, (413) 593-3964 (Chicopee).

Royal Apollo Electric Portable Typewriter, like new, asking \$65, 655-3039 (Natick).

Items, Skis, 2, 130 cm, 1, 140 cm, Besser bindings, \$25 ea; Bikes, 1 boys, 12 girls, \$15, 861-8928 (Lexington).

**Tire Rims**, 15 in 5 lugs, 14 in 5 lugs, 473-4347 (Milford).

Lowrey Spinet Organ, 2 kybd, ft peddles w/genie, 473-9104 (Milford).

Screen/Glass Door For Fireplace, used only 2 wks, 28 X 43 1/2, \$50/BO, 366-4399 (Westboro).

Items, 4 Radial tires, 185/70 SR13, \$10 ea; TV antenna, \$25, 359-7671 (Medfield). Saddle, Borelli Continental, 18 in seat, \$185 w/o fittings, 485-7473 (Marlboro).

Zenith Console Stereo, 60 watts per channel, 4 spd, record changer, \$125, 653-9027 (Natick).

House, 3 bdrm Ranch, Hopedale, 2 baths, 1 car garage, enc. porch, \$89,900, 478-4149 (Milford).

Stereo Equipment, JVC 50 w.p.c. Digital receiver w/equalizer, \$175/BO, 481-0850 (Marlboro).

Items, Mustang GT factory aluminum mag rim w/TRX steel belted radial mounted and balanced, \$100; Mustang GT spoiler, '82 or older, white, \$200; Garage door opener, still in box, 1/3 h.p., \$150, 757-2313 (Shrewsbury).

Maytag Washer, refurbished by Maytag dealer, like new, \$175/BO, 853-4222 (Worcester).

#### **AUTOS**

'74 Mustang, 4 cyl, auto trans, \$1100/BO, 278-5123 (Uxbridge).

'74 Chrysler Newport, 8 cyl, new exhaust, Power seats, PS/PB, \$600/BO, 528-6933 (Franklin).

'76 Ford Granada, BO, 473-4347 (Milford).

'79 AMC Spirit, 6 cyl, auto, new tires, low mileage, \$300, 799-5472 (Shrewsbury).

'79 Mercury Bobcat, 4 spd, hatch, recent paint and exhaust, 66K mi \$2500/BO, 853-2443 (Worcester).

'79 Grand Prix SJ, 53K mi, PS/PB, AC, bucket seats, 2 tone slvr/blk, \$4500/BO, 529-4432 after 8 pm (Upton).

'79 Camaro Berlinetta, 58K mi, V8, auto, PS/PB, AM/FM/cassette, new brake system, \$4000/BO, 853-4222 (Worcester).

'80 Toyota Corolla, hatch 5 spd, AM/FM, \$3800/BO, 869-6339 (Boylston).

'80 Rally Sport Camaro, two tone blue, snrf, new brakes, tires, exhaust, 50K mi, \$5500/BO, 366-5634 (Westboro).

'80 Toyota Celica, liftback, AC, PS/PB, under 25K mi, \$6200, 872-6026 (Framingham).

'81 Honda Civic, 2 dr hatch, 5 spd, Alpine FM, Michelin radials, \$3900, after 8 p.m., 285-9304 (Norton).

'81 AMC Spirit, stereo/deck, snrf, new clutch, brakes, rotors, 50K mi, 853-7028 (Holden).

'81 Mazda 626 , AC, 5 spd, AM/FM, new brakes, \$5200, (401) 438-4797 (Rumford, RI).

'82 Ford Escort, 4 spd, AM/FM/cassette, two tone, rustproofed, \$4195/BO, 278-5123 (Uxbridge).

'82 Honda Accord, hatch, 5 spd, AC, AM/FM, tinted windows, radials, 37K mi, \$6250, 872-6026 (Framingham).

'83 Mustang GT, 5.0/H.O., t-roofs, AC, AM/FM/cassette, 17K mi, \$10,000, 757-2313 (Shrewsbury).

'84 Dodge Turbo Colt, 4K mi, AM/FM, elec. mirrors, red, \$6700, 481-0408 (Marlboro).

#### **MINI NEWS**

All ads must be submitted in writing and include employee's name, home phone and extension number. All ads must be received by 11 a.m. Tuesday morning of the week published. Ads will be stamped with the time and date as they're received and will run on a first come basis. Send ads to Sharon Ellis, MS A-235.

# Fair Price Amendment Up For Vote At Annual Meeting

Proxy material for Data General's Annual Meeting, to be held Wednesday, January 30, in Boston, has been mailed to all stockholders. All employees who own company stock should have received their proxy cards, the proxy statement and the new Annual Report.

This year's Proxy Statement asks stockholders to consider four proposals:

- Elect five directors;
- Approve a fair price amendment;
- Approve an amendment to the Restricted Stock Option Plan to increase the number of shares to seven million from five and a half million; and
- Approve an amendment to the Employee Incentive Stock Option Plan to increase the number of shares to three million from two million.

The Fair Price Amendment is of particular importance this year. It would protect the interests of all stockholders by giving them greater assurance of equal treatment in the event of an attempted takeover of the company. It would deter "two-tiered"

offers for the company. Such takeovers occur when:

- 1) An offer is made for a limited number of shares at a price above the then market price in a first-step cash tender offer: and
- 2) The remaining shares are acquired at a lat date via a merger offering a lower price or an exchange of securities with a lower value.

Please read carefully the description of the Fair Price Amendment on pages 13-21 of the Proxy Statement you received, including the discussion of "Certain Possible Disadvantages of the Fair Price Amendment" beginning on page 19.

Approval of the Fair Price Amendment would encourage prospective acquirers of the company to negotiate with the Board of Directors, which would be in a position to evaluate the fairness of an offer and study alternatives to protect the interests of the stockholders. The amendment will not make it more difficult for someone offering to buy substantially all shares of the company's common stock at the same price to all investors.

According to President Ed de Castro, "The Board of Directors believes that the adoption of this proposal is in the best interests of all stockholders and we are respectfully seeking your support."

# **Vote Your Proxy**

Data General employees and their families own about 2,696,000 shares of the company, or almost 11 percent of shares outstanding. Their vote is important to the company's future. A 51 percent majority of outstanding shares are required to pass this amendment.

Please study the Proxy Statement and vote by filling out your proxy card(s), signing and dating it, and returning it in the enclosed return envelope. You may also return the proxy card via internal mail to the Public Affairs department, MS-A235, Westboro.

If you own stock and have not received a Proxy Statement and card, please contact Public Affairs in Westboro immediately (x4700, x4702, direct line (617) 366-0469).

If you have questions regarding the Fair Price Amendment or any of the other proposals on the Proxy Statement, please contact Brad Stroup, director of Public Affairs.

# **Notice To Stockholders**

Data General employees who hold company stock should be aware that they may receive multiple copies of the annual report, proxy statement and proxy card through the mail. By law, each institution (brokerage house, Marsh & McClellan, etc.) which holds your stock certificates, is required to send the material to each entry listed on the stock certificates you hold.

# **Updating Your Address**

If you are a shareholder and have changed your address recently, make sure to update your records to reflect the change of address. If your stock was obtained through the Data General Savings and Investment Plan, contact Marsh & McClellan at extension 4603 in Westboro with the change of address information. Marsh & McClellan does not have access to Data General's Employee Profile Document (EPD) records.

Updating records for stock certificates purchased through any other method can be done by contacting Morgan Guaranty Trust, Operations Department, 30 West Broadway, New York, NY, 10015. Make sure to notify Morgan Guaranty of the account to be changed, the new address as well as the former address. If any certificates are held in joint tenancy, specify the correct address of each tenant. Updating your EPD address does not update your stock certificate address.