



WESTIN HOTELS

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FOR WESTIN HOTELS CORPORATE OFFICE EMPLOYEES

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## YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE

Thanks to your caring generosity, the 1985 United Way corporate offices campaign "made a difference" of some \$19,000-plus in pledges. This from a 65% employee overall participation.

Here's how that participation worked out among the four competing groups:

The first-place winner was Technical Services with 79%. Coming in second was the Development team with 67%. Third place went to the Chairman/President's office group at 65%. In fourth place was Finance and Administration with 55%.

And the lucky draw winners in each of the group teams were:

FIRST-PLACE GROUP: 1) Terri Hewson, MIS: a round-trip for two on Air-BC to Victoria, including a two-night stay at the Empress Hotel. 2) Kazumi Takeuchi, COS: two nights for two at Harrison Hotsprings Resort. 3) Larry Mercado, COS: brunch for two at The Four Seasons Georgian Room.

SECOND-PLACE GROUP: 1) Sharon Stansell, FORMA: two nights for two at Rosario Resort, including dinner and brunch. 2) Steve Schnoor, D&C: dinner for two at The Westin Hotel's Palm Court. 3) Kristine Hartnett, FORMA: brunch for two at Lake Union Cafe.

THIRD-PLACE GROUP: 1) Ron LaRue, MKT: weekend for two at the Sands Resort. 2) Laurie Rounds, FA: four Seahawk tickets.

FOURTH-PLACE GROUP: 1) Chris Scala, TRS: \$50 Nordstrom gift certificate. 2) Diane Stewart, PA: \$50 Osborn & Ulland gift certificate.

To all the winners, congratulations. To all United Way pledgers, thanks for making the difference.

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## FORGET DESIGN INTERNATIONAL, BUT...

Remember FORMA. That's the new name for Westin's subsidiary interior design, purchasing and food facilities planning firm which will become effective as of October 1st. Also forget the firm's location in The Westin Building. FORMA has moved lock, stock and Post-it's to the Lenora Square Building as of October 7th. (Hey, how about a name-changing/office-warming party you guys!!).

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## EARTHQUAKE AFTERMATH - HOTELS' STATUS

Though reliable communications with Mexico following the earthquake was difficult to achieve, contact has been made with all Westin properties in the country. It seems that the Alameda in Mexico City was hardest hit and will remain closed until further notice. The Camino Real, Ixtapa sustained some slight damage but is now operating with normal services and facilities. All other Westin properties are operating and, fortunately, there have been no reports of any injuries to guests or employees thus far. As of last Wednesday, September 25, the Central Reservations Office in Omaha has

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reestablished reservations request processing for the Mexico hotels.

**NOTE:** Those of you wishing to provide disaster relief to the people of Mexico in the form of cash donations should contact Karyn Sullivan of the Rooms Division, X5294. Send or hand deliver your contribution to Karyn in a personal and confidential envelope. Please include your name and address if not included on your check so that the Red Cross can acknowledge your contribution. Please make checks payable to the American Red Cross. Deadline is Friday, October 18th.

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## EXPO 86 - "3-DAY PASSPORT" PASSES

May 2, 1986 heralds the opening of Vancouver's exciting EXPO 86. Its theme "World in Motion - World in Touch" offers a glimpse into the future with a focus on the fields of transportation and communications, as well as fascinating exhibits from around the world.

If you are planning to attend, you might want to consider "3-day passport" ticket passes available at a special group rate (minimum of 20 ticket orders) through the Personnel Department. The 3-day passport group rate per ticket is \$21.95 (regularly \$24.95). Child/senior tickets are also available for \$11.00 (regularly \$12.50). Child is defined as 6 through 12 years of age (children under 6 are admitted free), and senior is defined as 65 years and over.

If you are interested in purchasing one or more 3-day tickets, call Carolyn Stear, X6543, and let her know. Tickets will be purchased when the minimum group rate quantity of 20 is reached.

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## "PASSPORTS" TO THE MAGIC KINGDOM

While we're on the take-a-trip mode, if your fall/winter holiday plans are taking you to Southern California, Florida

or Tokyo, Magic Kingdom Club membership cards might be for you. Club membership allows you or family members to discount passport tickets to Disneyland, Walt Disney World or Tokyo Disneyland, plus other benefits. Personnel has membership applications. They're free. Call Carolyn Stear, X6543, for details.

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## A DEAL SUITED FOR SUIT BUYERS

Frugalman's men's clothiers are offering a 10% discount to all Westin corporate employees on all store purchases. Frugalman's, located at 818 Third Avenue at Marion, specializes in men's tailored clothing, furnishings, related accessories and sportswear. The 10% discount is off their regular discount prices, but it excludes sales items. Show your Westin ID.

**NOTE:** If any readers are aware of other shopper's deals or discounts that might be of interest to other employees, please let us know so that we can share them through HOMEFRONT. Call X3182 or drop a note to HOMEFRONT, PER7.

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## WICKER BASKETS - ANOTHER 10% OFF

Plantes & Fleurs on the lobby level is featuring wicker baskets at 10% off. Show your Westin ID and get another 10% off that for a 20% savings. Also, Westin buyers can get 10% off all loose cut flowers and blooming plants. Plant lady, Barb, notes that she's just received a new shipment of Danish paper cutouts - many new and interesting designs. Stop by and take a look.

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## ENTERTAINMENT '86 - PLACE YOUR ORDERS

Orders for Entertainment '86 coupon books are now being taken by the Personnel Department. These annual coupon books offer two-for-one or similar savings values for dozens of restaurants, sports

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events, theaters, special events, etc. around Seattle and the Pacific Northwest. The books cost \$38.00. This is \$3.00 more than last year's cost, but the '86 edition promises many more discount participants.

Place your order with the Personnel Department receptionist, X8959. Deadline for orders is Tuesday, October 15th. Make checks payable to Westin Hotels. The coupon books will be delivered to the corporate offices by the end of October, and you will be called when they are received.

NOTE: City Lites coupon books will not be available through the corporate offices this year.

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## FROM KCTS, A NOTE OF THANKS

Marian Kopp, Coordinator for the KCTS Channel 9 fund drives, passes on a "thank you" thank-you note from the TV station in praise of Westin's telephone answering volunteers during the September subscriber drive. On Westin night, September 6th, the station raised \$17,255 and gained 412 subscribers. Noted the letter's writer, Susannah Malarkey, "there is no way we could do our pledge drives without the loyal support of volunteers like you. Please extend my warmest thanks to the rest of your group." Thanks extended.

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## RUN, JOANNE, RUN

If you happen to be TVing the New York City Marathon on Sunday, October 27th, you might just by chance pick out our own Joanne Van Deurzen (MIS) from the crowd of some 20,000 expected to run that 26-mile event which covers all five New York boroughs. This will be the fourth marathon run for Joanne over the past ten months having run in the Hawaiian Marathon last December, the Emerald City Marathon in Seattle in April and the Capitol City

Marathon in Olympia last July. Joanne finished in all of them and hopes to do the same in October pounding the streets of New York.

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## PEOPLE

A Westin Welcome To: Wilma Bishop, Tax Accountant - Tax Department; Linda Bunes, Clerk - FORMA; Mitsu Chen, Clerk - Payroll; Jeanne Ecklund, Personnel Assistant - Compensation and Benefits; Doug Fox, Director of Group Market Development - Marketing; Bonnie Kaess, Buyer - FORMA; Carolyn Kesl, Secretary - MIS; Angelo Licate, Clerk - Management Company Accounting; James Lowe, Associate General Counsel - Legal; Carol Moore, Analyst/Programmer - MIS; Cary Morimoto, Clerk - Corporate Office Services; Diane Ortman, Account Executive - FORMA; Trudy Peeps, Director of Market Research - Marketing; Ruth Pentilla, Secretary - D&C; Thomas Ringo, Tax Manager - Tax Department.

Moving Around: Patricia Beck-Bryant, from Clerk, Payroll to Clerk, FORMA; Vicki Caldwell, from Secretary, Treasurer's Office to Secretary, Operations; Charlene Chabin, from WESTSEL Systems Manager, Marketing to Marketing Systems Manager for The Westin, Maui and The Westin, Kauai based in Los Angeles.

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