



## CTA BUS ROADEO

The back half of the Bus Rodeo course at 77th Street. Buses demonstrate (from background) the right turn, curbing, 'Y' backing maneuver, left turn, and discretionary stop.

A forest of orange pylons cast an eerie reflected glow in the dim light, and the crisp early morning air was charged with anticipation. The day of the competition was at hand.

Volunteer judges from every division of the company, wearing bright blue and white hats, took their positions, and the contest was about to begin.

As the contestants approached, the driving course defined by the pylons began to appear much more difficult, because all the competitors were driving 40-foot CTA buses. During these two Sundays (April 26 and May 3) at Forest Glen and 77th Street bus garages, 101 of the CTA's finest bus operators would compete in the first annual CTA Bus Rodeo Contest.

All the operators had survived a difficult selection procedure. A thorough records review had narrowed the field from 333 applicants to 155 contestants with excellent driving records. During the week of March 15, a difficult written test concerning defensive driving, CTA standard operating procedures, and equipment troubleshooting had left 101 operators eligible

for competition.

Although time would be a factor on the driving course, much more importance was given to precision driving. Contestants were penalized for going off course, touching pylons or tennis balls, and making more shifts than necessary to complete each maneuver correctly. There was a seven minute time limit, but the time clock only ran when the buses were in motion, since contestants were often required to stop while the accuracy of their maneuvers was measured.

Most of the contestants easily completed the first two maneuvers, a serpentine or zig-zag and an offset street. Both maneuvers required precise changes of direction with close vehicle clearance.

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CTA Chairman Eugene M. Barnes visited the two Rodeo locations and met with Rodeo Committee members. Chairman Barnes measures the clearance at the back of the bus in the left-hand 'Y' maneuver. Observing, from left, are Willie Wong, assistant manager of the 77th Street competition; Paul Kadowaki, Rodeo co-chairman; Norm Herron, assistant manager, 77th Street competition; Bill Thompson, manager of the 77th Street competition; Elonzo Hill, Rodeo co-chairman; Ed Mitchell, director of Support Services; John McLain, assistant chairman, Equipment Subcommittee; Barnes; James Blaa, manager, Transportation, and Bob Desvignes, Awards and Finance Subcommittee chairman.



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Next, the rear dual clearance maneuver proved to be very difficult. Contestants were required to drive the bus so that the right rear dual wheels would pass between two rows of five tennis balls, and the space between the two rows was only slightly larger than the width of a set of rear dual wheels.

A demanding right turn with minimum clearance then led to a curbing or passenger stop. The contestants had to drive around 55-gallon drums representing a

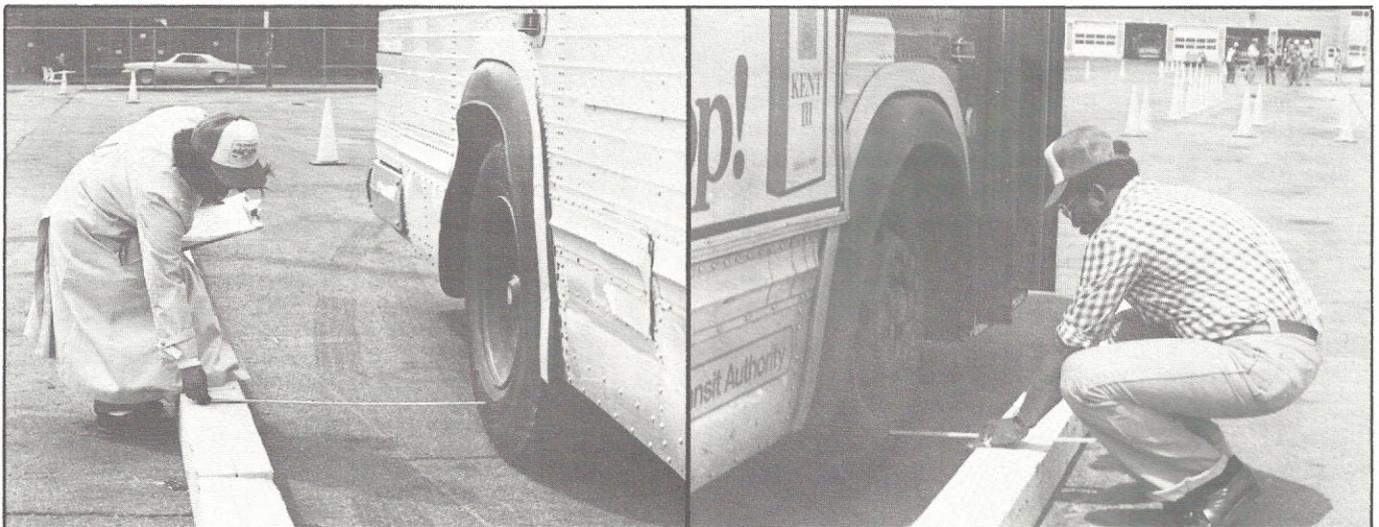
parked vehicle and curb the bus within the distance of a simulated bus stop. Front wheel clearance from the curb had to be 6 inches or less, rear wheel clearance 15 inches or less.

The next challenge was the right half of the 'Y' backing maneuver. Contestants drove their buses just past two rows of closely spaced pylons which extended out from the course at a right angle to the right, backed their buses in a right turn to enter between the rows of pylons, and stopped with the back of their buses within 36 inches of an end pylon centered between the two rows. During the driving competition many pylons were displaced and points lost at the 'Y'

problem, and it was not unusual to see a bus backing up with four or five pylons compressed between the rear bumper and rear wheels.

After carefully exiting the right hand 'Y', contestants negotiated a minimum clearance left hand turn and circled around the back half of the course. Then they performed a second curbing and a left hand 'Y' maneuver.

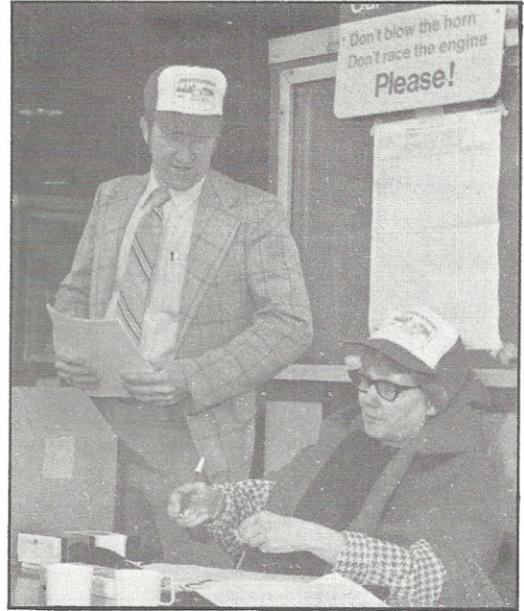
Leaving the left hand 'Y', the run to the finish was all that remained. The contestants accelerated to a required minimum speed of 20 m.p.h., as measured by a Cook County Sheriff's policeman's radar gun. They entered the decreasing clearance, two rows of pylons which began widely spaced



Judy and Robert Reno, both laborers at South Shops, measure curbing clearance.



ABOVE: Craig Lang (second from right), assistant manager of the Forest Glen competition, leads judges to assigned positions on roadeo course. RIGHT: Mary Manoni, Rodeo Committee secretary/scorekeeper, and Elliot Linne, assistant superintendent, Congress-Douglas, register contestants at scoring table.



but converged in a 'V' toward the end pylon, where a judgement stop was required within 6-inches of the end pylon.

After all the pylons were collected and the scores were tallied, 20 operators emerged as winners of the preliminary driving competition. (Winners and their comments are featured on pages 6 and 7.) They will compete at the CTA Bus Roadeo Finals at Soldier Field on August 23.

At the finals, the first place winner will receive a trophy and an all expense paid trip for two to Toronto, Canada. This operator will also be CTA's representative at the American Public Transit Association's (APTA) International Bus Roadeo, which will be held in the Chicago area, October 8-10, in conjunction with the APTA Convention.

The second place winner will receive a trophy and a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond, and will take the place of the winner if the winner is not available for the International Bus Roadeo.

The third place winner will receive a trophy and a \$200 U.S.

Savings Bond.

The fourth place winner will receive a trophy and a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond.

The 20 winners of the preliminary driving competition will receive a pair of dinner-theatre tickets and a CTA Bus Roadeo commemorative belt buckle and belt. Also, the 10 winners from these 20 who had the highest score from each of CTA's 10 bus garages have each received a First Place Winner-Garage plaque.

The operators who competed in the preliminary driving competition have each received a pair of motion picture theatre tickets, a Special Recognition certificate, and a CTA Bus Roadeo hat.

The CTA Bus Roadeo Committee, headed by co-chairmen Paul Kadowaki and Elonzo Hill, also presented mementos to all of the volunteers who donated their time to the Roadeo as Committee members, subcommittee chairmen, judges, scorekeepers, and workers at the Bus Roadeo events. These included CTA Bus Roadeo hats and CTA Bus Roadeo Judge belt buckles. (See "Putting it all together" on page 5.)

A CTA Bus Roadeo awards dinner will be held on October 2, at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart, where the Winning Circle 20 and the 1st through 4th place winners in the CTA Bus Roadeo Finals will be honored.

Luther Lewis, top winner at Beverly garage with 595 points, displays his first place plaque as his wife, Dorothy, and children, Lateki and Soraya, share the spotlight. Standing with the honoree and his family are Transportation Manager James Blaa, left, and Director of Personnel, Transportation, Harry Reddrick.

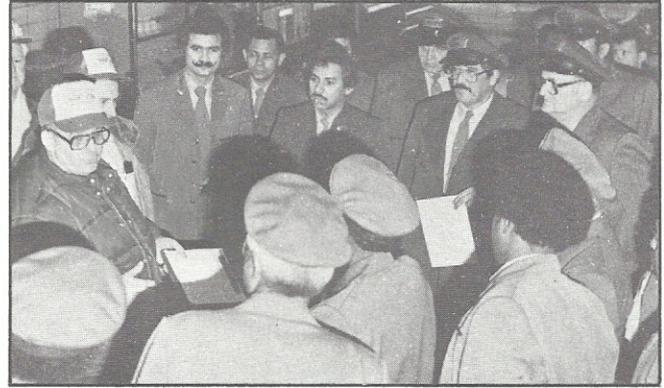




Bill Thompson (4th from right), manager of the 77th Street competition, leads contestants on a walk through the course.



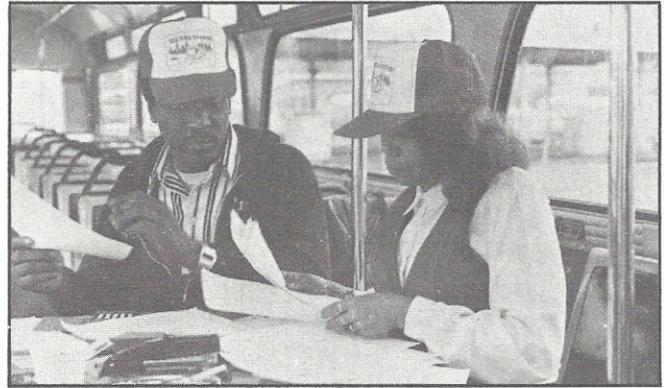
Louis Bieniek, instructor, Forest Glen, logs in starting order numbers which were drawn from a hat by contestants.



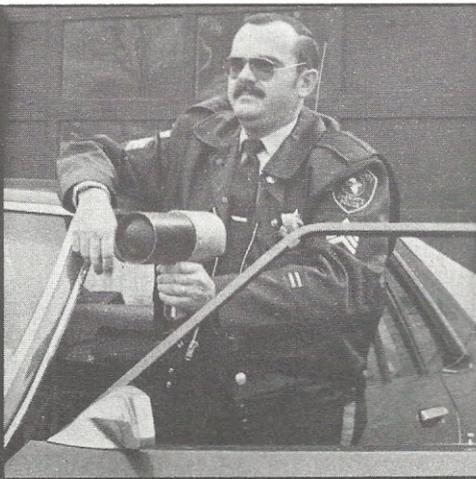
Melvin Link, manager of the Forest Glen competition, gives last minute briefing to contestants.



Clarence Junkins (left) issues equipment to judges Robert Reno, laborer, South Shops, and Beverly Jackson, employee counselor, Human Resources.



Art Bennett, instructor, Limits Training Center, and Anita Curtis, director, Employment and Placement, were scorekeepers at 77th Street.



FAR LEFT: Joe Daquilante (left), assistant superintendent, Control Center, and Ken Polen, instructor, Maintenance Training Center, measure clearance from pylon at discretionary stop at end of course. LEFT: Radar speed checks of the approach to the discretionary stop (minimum 20 m.p.h.) were provided by Sergeant Manfred W. Braun and other members of the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department.

## Putting it all together

Putting a Bus Roadeo together requires people who know how to organize and instruct which is why Elonzo Hill and Paul Kadowaki were selected as co-chairmen of the Bus Roadeo committee.

Hill is superintendent of the training center at Limits garage, and Kadowaki is superintendent of bus instruction. Support Services Director Edward Mitchell who recommended the appointments to Transportation Manager James Blaa, praised the two, along with Robert Desvignes, area superintendent of instruction, for the superb manner in which they handled their assignments.

As finance and awards subcommittee chairman, Desvignes was responsible for the prizes awarded to winners as well as caps, belts, buckles and other paraphernalia that went to all Roadeo participants.

Other subcommittee chairmen were: William Mooney, volunteers; Norman Herron, information and publicity; Kelsey King, material and equipment, assisted by John McClain; Mike Laciola and Mel Link, co-chairmen, entry and eligibility; William Thompson, site committee; Louis Sanford, assistant, finance and awards; Mary Manoni, recording secretary. Ronald Baker, Robert Bizar and Jack Sowchin were also committee members.

"Anytime there is a job that somebody wants to pass on to someone else, they usually call on Junior to do it...take out the garbage, run an errand, etc.," said Mitchell.

"At CTA, Support Services is Junior. We are the glue that holds everything else together. We are about the business of taking care of business, and we had a lot of very fine people who helped us put this Roadeo together," he added.

In the Transportation department kudos also went to Transportation Manager James

Blaa who initiated the idea, and Harry Red-drick, director, personnel.

A total of 93 volunteer judges from a variety of CTA work locations joined the Roadeo committee in helping to make the event a success. The list includes: Walter Alexander, assistant superintendent/controller I, Transportation; Robert Barnes, Maintenance; John Batzel, controller, Transportation; Howard Benn, supervisor, Facilities Planning, Operations Planning; Robert Bravi, assistant superintendent/controller I, Transportation; Robert Brown, laborer, Maintenance; Richard Cacini, instructor, Maintenance; McRayfield Caldwell, assistant superintendent/controller I, Transportation, and Dan Chorak, instructor, Maintenance.

Other judges were: Anita Curtis, director, Human Resources; Beverly Jackson, Human Resources; Joe Daquilante, assistant superintendent, Transportation; Juanita Eden, Human Resources; Lampton Evans, assistant superintendent/controller I, Transportation; Michael Flores, bus operator; Tessa Gaines, assistant superintendent, Transportation; John Gaul, planner II, Operations Planning; Jim Gebis, motor vehicle equipment engineer, Engineering. Another member of the Engineering department working as a judge was Craig Lang, project plan/budget coordinator.

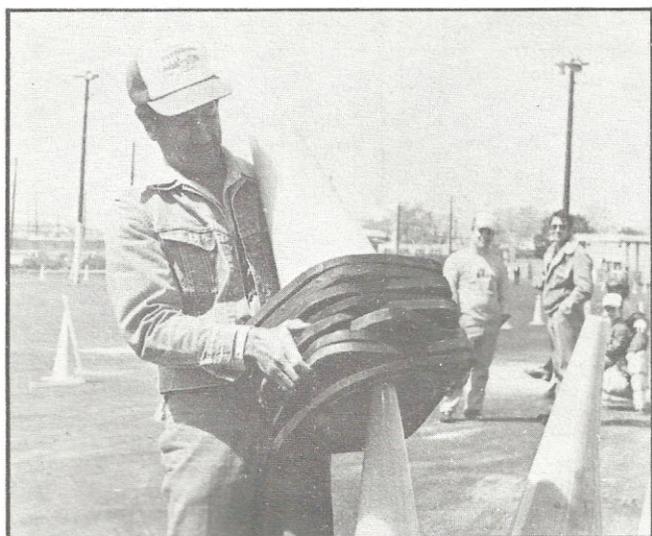
Other Maintenance department personnel were: George Greco, Maintenance training specialist; Leon Griffith, South Shops; Richard Guinn, instructor; Al Haas, unit supervisor; Delord Hatcher, painter and finisher, "A" leader; Diane Hyman, Jerry Killman, South Shops; Tom Kohler, electrical engineer; William Lambert, unit supervisor, bus garages; Robert Lee, field services engineer; Gordon Maly, unit supervisor, instruction; Peter Manos, industrial engineer III; Matt Mantia, unit supervisor; Terry McGuigan, superintendent, bus garages; Don Moy, architectural engineer II; Robert O'Donley, technical services; Walter Paszyna, technical draftsman; Ken Pott, James Rapoport, Judy Reno, Robert Reno; Richard

Schneider, area superintendent, Automotive Vehicle Maintenance; Ed Schumaker, Methods/Standards, engineer II, and John Seay.

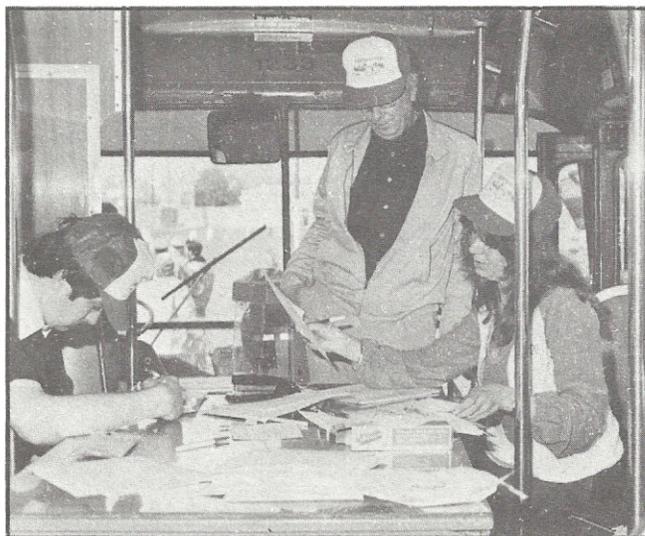
Maintenance department also included: Joe Simonetti, Nick Simonetti, unit supervisor, South Shops; Frank Sprovieri; Frank Venezia, superintendent, bus shops; William Wilson, foreman, 52nd Street garage, and Willie Wong, unit supervisor, South Shops.

Others from the Transportation department were: Aaron Henderson, assistant superintendent/controller I; Patricia Hodges, assignment agent; Kelsey King, Methods/Standards analyst; Michael Laciola, superintendent, Limits; Daryl Lampkins, assistant superintendent/controller I; Mel Link, assistant superintendent, instruction, North Avenue; Elliot Linne, assistant superintendent, Near North area; Henry Mosby, laborer, Utility; Charles O'Connor, Alfred Pierce, William Platt, Walter Thomas, Daniel Villanueva, Floyd Williams, Thomas Wilson, Miles Smith, and Anthony Smith, all assistant superintendent/controller I. Others were Norman Herron, assistant superintendent, Limits Training Center; Louis Sanford, analyst; Ed Henry, superintendent, Safety; William Sholdice, supervisor, Training/Development programs; Steve Stark, Operations Planning; Marilyn Mancini, executive secretary, Chairman's office, and Mary Manoni, analyst, Training/Development programs, score keeper.

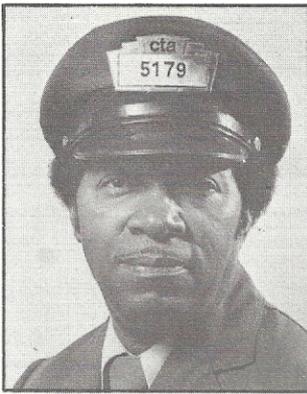
Instructors who were involved were: Thomas Artison, Art Bennett, Joseph Bennett, Lou Bieniek, Sal Carbonelli, Prestal Carnes, Charles Clark, Elijah Coleman, Karen Eden, Wilbert Gerrish, Willie Herron, Charles Hodges, Frank Jones, Harvey Jones, William Jones, Samuel Johnson, Clarence Junkins, Bart Kamtak, Richard Lane, Joseph Lasinski, Arthur Lee, Theodore Mack, Ellice Marshall, John McClain, Billy McKnight, William Nash, Lee Oak, John Perkins, Allen Summer-set, Joseph Valtierra, Edward Watkins, Myron Woods, and John Woodson.



Kelsey King, assistant manager of the Forest Glen competition and Equipment and Material Subcommittee chairman, insured that there would be enough of everything, from pylons and tennis balls to pencils and scratch pads, to keep the Roadeo going.



Jim Kinahan (left), technical training coordinator, Training/Development programs, works as a scorekeeper with score marshalls Wilbert Gerrish, rail instructor, and Karen Eden, agent instructor, both of the Transportation department.



Orval Porter — Lawndale (Finished first with 639 points) "It's beautiful to be in the top 20. It was a tough course, but a good driver could handle it."



Eddie Johnson — 77th Street (Finished second with 605 points) "The Rodeo is a good morale booster. It gives the employee a target to shoot for, and it makes everybody work to keep their record clean."

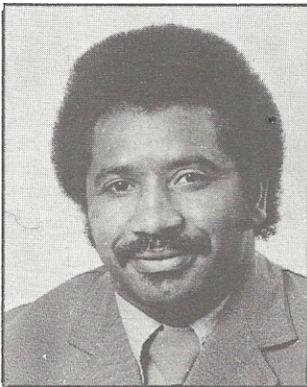
## Winning Circle '20' Best in CTA Bus Rodeo winners

"I think anything we can do to get recognition for our employees is good. I hope we will make an outstanding showing at the international competition."

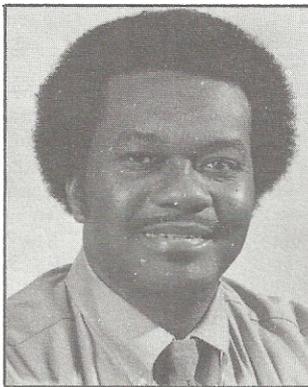
-James Blaa, Manager, Transportation

"It was wonderful to see the operators' families and friends encouraging them throughout the Bus Rodeo competition. We hope to see a large turnout at Soldier Field on August 23 when the best of CTA vie for the championship."

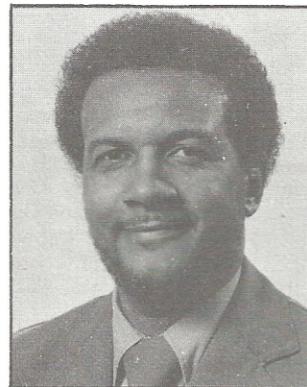
-Harold H. Geissenheimer, General Operations Manager



Robert Richardson — North Park (Finished third with 603 points) "I entered this contest with the confidence that I could win with God's help."



Luther Lewis — Beverly (Finished fourth with 595 points) "Although it was a very challenging obstacle course, I put God first in my endeavors, hoping to place in the top 20 and take the number one garage prize."



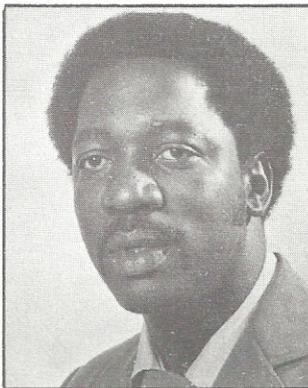
Willie Whisenton — Limits (Finished fifth with 585 points) "We should have more activities of this type. This is a real morale booster and definitely something to which we can look forward."



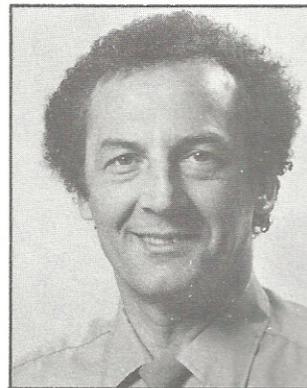
Gilbert Singleton, Jr. — Archer (Finished sixth with 580 points) "I think the Rodeo is a great idea, and I'm looking forward to being first in the next competition."



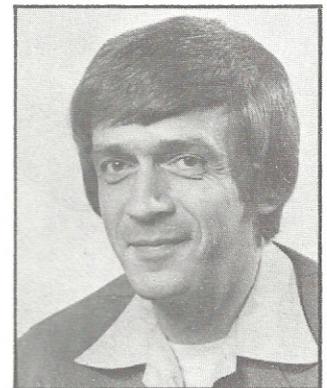
Tommy Ross — Forest Glen (Finished seventh with 575 points) "This was really a great challenge and very interesting. I'm looking forward to the August 23 competition."



Lee Hazelwood, Jr. — 77th Street (Finished eighth with 569 points) "The Rodeo is an idea that gives the operators incentive. We need more of this because it's good for morale, and it's good public relations."



Edward Urbanski — Archer (Finished ninth with 566 points) "Being in the Rodeo is an honor. I appreciate the chance to represent the garage, and I'm looking forward to further participation."



Martin Troglia — Limits (Finished 10th with 558 points) "You really find out what you know about a bus in an event like this. It's one heck of a good course. I thought I'd be in the top 20 because I take pride in my job."

"It was a dream come true, and it was nice to see our operators participating in the Roadeo and enjoying the competition. It was also good to have so many volunteers from various departments demonstrating CTA teamwork."

-Paul Kadowaki, CTA Bus Roadeo Co-Chairman

"Our objectives, which were to recognize the operator, increase morale, and promote safety and professionalism, have been accomplished beyond our most optimistic expectations."

-Elonzo Hill, CTA Bus Roadeo Co-Chairman

"I'm very proud of our people and appreciate their efforts in meeting the stringent requirements qualifying them for the Roadeo, and for their outstanding performance. Thanks for making us look good."

Harry Reddrick, Director Personnel/Transportation

"You'd have to participate in order to appreciate what they went through."

Edward Mitchell, Director, Support Services



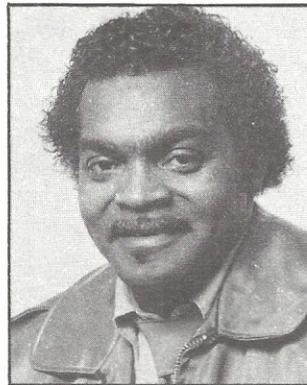
Jonas Barnett-Lawndale (Finished 11th with 552 points) "I enjoyed participating in the Roadeo. The 'Y' backing was about the toughest part, but it was good experience. I look forward to the final competition."



James Sernek - Archer (Finished 12th with 549 points) "The bus Roadeo means that management is recognizing us which makes the operators feel important. I look forward to the next level of competition."



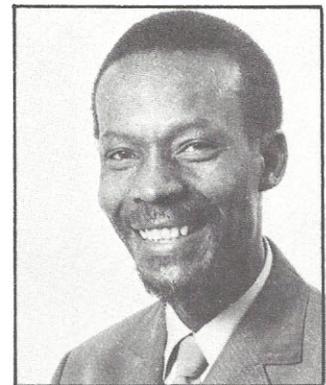
Jessie Witherspoon - 52nd Street (Finished 13th with 547 points) "Besides being a lot of fun, the bus Roadeo helps to improve driving habits, and makes you more alert. I believe in trying everything for improvement. If one guy can do it, so can I."



Booker Bolton - North Avenue (Finished 14th with 546 points) "We should have been doing this a long time ago because competition is something we always need. This is really a lot of fun."



James Mayes - 69th Street (Finished 15th with 542 points) "The Roadeo is really nice. It takes the support of your wife to be successful in an event like this. I plan to go all the way."



Fred Bassett - North Avenue (Finished 16th with 540 points) "This is one of the greatest events that ever happened at CTA. I have wanted to get involved in a bus Roadeo since I first read about it in the union paper in 1979. I think it's a great motivator."



Marilyn Reyes - North Park (Finished 17th with 539 points tying with 18th place) "I entered with confidence that I would be a winner. I'm looking forward to the August 23 competition with a view to being a winner."



Curtis Pollard - 52nd Street (Finished 18th with 539 points) "This is really a great idea. It might help some people straighten up a bit."



Harvey Becker - North Avenue (Finished 19th with 538 points) "The Roadeo is an interesting experience. I'm enthusiastic about the next round of competition."



David James, Jr. - North Avenue (Finished 20th with 535 points) "It was a challenge and a real honor to compete with people who have been around for a while. I'm a new comer with three years in the company."



Chairman Eugene M. Barnes (extreme left), APTA vice president, Governmental Affairs, looks on approvingly as APTA President Leonard Ronis (right) presents transit's case before U.S. Senate subcom-

mittee on Housing and Urban Affairs. Other APTA officials were (left), John C. Pingree, Salt Lake City, and William Blue of Flint, Mich.

## Chairman's Report

# APTA recommends block grant

There have been many anxious moments in the wake of speculation on the plight of public transportation, particularly as it relates to the CTA. At the same time, continuing efforts are being made to find relief.

Most recently, the American Public Transit Association, where I serve as vice president for Governmental Affairs, appeared before the Senate subcommittee on Housing and Urban Affairs. Our purpose was to serve notice of the damage being done to the public transit system and to warn of its certain collapse should Congress push through major Transportation Act amendments that would curtail the funding of operating expenditures.

Fare hikes alone will not pay the rising costs, neither will shifting the tax burden achieve the desired result. Public transit, like police, fire pro-

tection, sanitation, and public schools, is provided as a service and should be funded as such.

Accordingly, APTA recommends that Congress adopt a block grant approach to the distribution of both capital and operating assistance. Not only would this method of funding provide the CTA flexibility to determine how the money is spent, but it is also in keeping with the philosophy of the Reagan Administration.

The new attitude is to let State, local and other unit governments work out their own problems without interference from the federal level.

Surely it is very baffling to all of us, but to ponder the situation only adds grey hair which hardly helps anyone. I am urging each of you to continue in the excellent cooperative and constructive spirit in which you have carried on since the crisis developed.

As men and women of the CTA, let us conserve our energies and employ them for the more useful purpose of continuing to provide the best possible service to the riding public.

Crisis may come, and crisis may go, but one thing is certain, "People moving people" means we'll always need you to make it work.

# Employees honored with 'A Day in CTA'

Homage was paid to six employees with 'A Day in CTA' as they visited the general office and received special recognition from the CTA board at its regular June session.

The six were treated to a visit to the control center, travel center and other CTA departments, a picture-taking session, lunch at the Merchandise Mart's M&M Club, and a round table discussion with management.

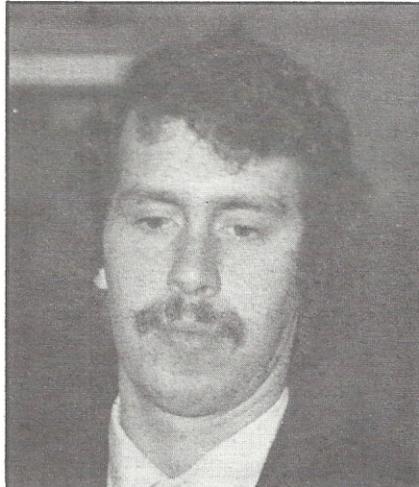
Among the employees were three maintenance personnel assigned to Limits garage who alerted the occupants of a burning building and helped them evacuate safely. The fire occurred on May 7 at approximately 2:45 a.m. as CTA acting foreman Thomas Pemberton was checking buses parked on the Limits lot. Three other honorees are members of the Transportation department.



**Thomas Pemberton**

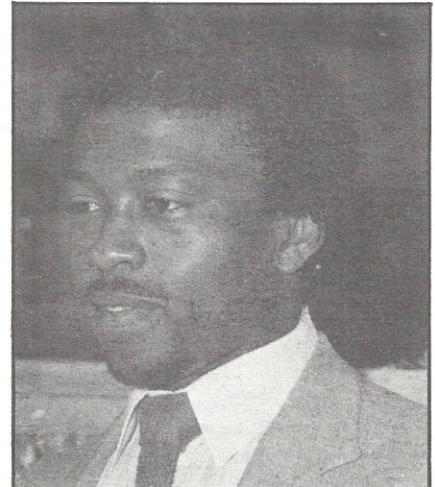
Thomas Pemberton, acting foreman of the Automotive Vehicle Maintenance section of the Maintenance department, joined CTA in 1973.

"Most people in the garage never get to see how this system really works. The most interesting aspect of visiting the general office was the control center. It's interesting to know how it works."



**Mark Favre**

"It felt good standing up before the audience at the board meeting. Just the fact that somebody said thank you for a good job was really a good feeling. I appreciated it."



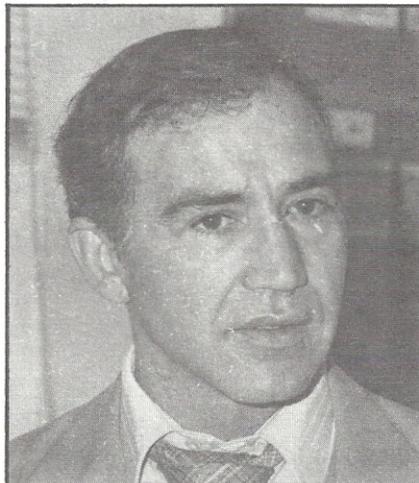
**Dwyer Williams**

"We are a team that enjoys working together. I think the most interesting thing about being here however, is meeting the people who are really over the Maintenance department. I also appreciated the board meeting because after witnessing what went on, one realizes that it is not all glamour."



**Patricia Williams**

Bus Operator Patricia Williams of North Park garage, given recognition for the competent manner in which she assisted a rider whose purse was stolen on her Sheridan Road bus on April 24, was intrigued by the "close-knit" communications between departments in the general office. Noted Ms. Williams, "All the departments are working together to help operating employees do their jobs better."



**Robert Martinez**

Bus Operator Robert Martinez, North Park garage, is also a beat representative for the Chicago Police department's 14th District. He was honored recently by the Police department for his outstanding work in the community. Martinez was amazed by the number of daily calls handled in the Travel Information center, and impressed by controllers' efforts to work with bus operators. "A lot of good things are going on in the Mart which all of the operating employees should be able to see," said Martinez.



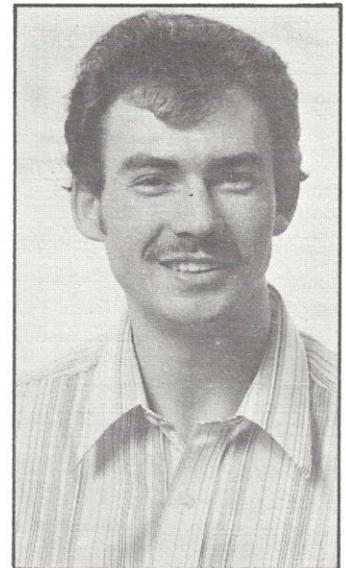
**Rafael Presto**

Rafael Presto, a conductor at 54th on the Douglas, chased would-be robbers recently as they left his train, causing them to drop the wallet they had taken. Impressed by opportunities for advancement, Presto said, "I've seen so many people who started as bus operators or trainmen, and have now worked their way up. With hard work, you can be anywhere you want to be in the company."



Earl Miles (Lawndale garage) should be commended for "his excellent service" while driving a #58 Ogden/Randolph bus, according to Kevin Foster, of West End Avenue. "The minute anyone boarded his bus, he would greet them in a friendly manner. He would talk to the passengers, trying to cheer them up, and on a day as hot as this, we needed all the cheering up we could get. This driver seems to care how his passengers feels, and he apologized for two things he had absolutely no control over -- the bumps in the road and the heat on the bus. This showed he did indeed want to give the public the best possible service."

Roland Michalak, agent at Jackson in the State Street subway, was praised for his quick offer of assistance by Raymond Friedlander, of Lunt Avenue, who suffered a circulatory accident near his ticket booth. "He was helpful, courteous and tactful. He offered me his chair, called the paramedics, and I waited seated until the ambulance arrived to take me to the hospital. After several days in the hospital, I was sent home to recover. I just want to tell you how grateful I am to the agent who perhaps saved my life in this emergency. It is good to know in these times that there are some great people, too, in this world."



## commendation corner

Tereso Morquecho (North Park garage) won the approval of Ruth Schaeffer, of North Lake Shore Drive, for his action in helping a pedestrian who fell on the street near his #151 Sheridan bus. "At Oak and Michigan, an elderly lady attempting to cross the street lost her footing and fell into the path of oncoming traffic. Most people went about their business without stopping to lend a hand. Your driver brought the bus to a halt, stepped off, and very carefully, with compassion, lifted the lady to her feet, stopped traffic, and with the help of another gentleman, saw her safely to the other side of the street."

Lawrence Jackson (North Section) was the conductor of an Englewood/Howard train that Anne Cambal, of Evanston, was riding one afternoon. "A man with a child sleeping next to him woke the child and beat him. Some of the passengers tried to stop the beating, but the man failed to respond normally. The conductor arrived quickly, and he calmly tried to prevent the man from further abusing the boy. He also radioed for the police. He made further efforts to distract the man and held the train until the police arrived. I believe his quick-thinking actions should be recognized."

Bobby Bradley (52nd Street garage) was complimented by Nancy Ross, of Everett Avenue, for his consideration when she fainted on his #6 Jeffery Express bus. "The bus was hot and crowded. I was standing at the front near the driver. As we entered Balbo from Lake Shore Drive, I knew I was going to faint. I told the driver, and he quickly pulled over to get me some air. The next thing I remember, I was lying on the grass next to the bus. The driver used his briefcase for a pillow under my head, and he stayed with me until the ambulance came. He was very conscientious and showed a genuine interest in my well-being."

Jacques Yezeguelian (Forest Glen garage) was thanked by Mary Kral, of Delphia Street, for helping her mother on his #64 Foster/Lawrence bus. "While she was paying her fare at Jefferson Park, she was jostled by a young man who got on and was asking directions. After he got off, my mother noticed that her change purse was missing. She re-

ported this to the driver, who went with her to the next bus, where the suspected man had taken a seat. He told the man to give my mother her purse, which amazingly he did. Your driver should be commended for extending himself beyond his duties and helping a senior citizen."

Nathaniel Lee Jr. (South Section) was the conductor of a Lake/Dan Ryan train that Mrs. T. W. Cassell, of Oak Park, rode one day to the Loop. "This young man brings many smiles to his riders' faces, and creates an air of camaraderie on the train with his passengers. He is courteous and pleasant, and informs his passengers of the condition of the platforms -- slippery when wet, etc. He gives a time report, and, above all, thanks his passengers for riding the CTA. He certainly can set a precedent, and if more conductors responded in kind, the public would be better served."

James Ball (Lawndale garage) impressed Predrag Ivanovich, of South St. Louis Avenue, with the way he handled riders on his #60 Blue Island/26 bus. "He asked every rider paying with a dollar bill to unfold it. He told a passenger who boarded with a lighted cigarette that smoking was not permitted on the bus, and the passenger complied. He told a rider who came from the back of the bus requesting a transfer that transfers are issued only at the time of boarding and paying the fare. When a lady boarded with a transfer and asked for it back, he told her 'Lady, you have only three minutes until it expires,' but gave it back."

John Zupko (North Section) made it "a pleasure to ride the Evanston Express," according to Gary Schmitz, who works on North Michigan Avenue. "What made the ride special was the conductor's pleasant manner, sense of humor, and obviously genuine affection for his riders. When one rider, especially pleased by his attitude, asked why he went out of his way for people, he responded that with fares going up, he felt it was only proper that he make a special effort to treat his riders with kindness. He again demonstrated his compassion by stopping the train as it left the Merchandise Mart to give a small boy the glove he left behind."

# Thanks - - for a job well done

Employees who received commendations during the last month.

Charles Agnew, Forest Glen  
John Alessi, Forest Glen  
Nelson Anderson, Ashland

Sandor Barath, District D  
Adello Bianchini, Howard/Kimball  
Robbie Brown, Limits

Jean Cage, Limits  
Sergio Candelaria, Limits  
Byung-Yup Choi, North Park  
John Christner, Forest Glen  
Patricia Cobb, North Park  
Jacqueline Cousin, Archer

Martin Damore, Douglas/Congress  
Rogers Dean, Lawndale  
Guillermo DelRio, North Park  
Clarence Dougan, Beverly  
Herman Duffin, Forest Glen

Sylvester Ermon, 77th Street  
David Evans, North Park

James Gaines, 52nd Street  
James Gordon, Ashland  
George Grafer, Forest Glen  
Gary Gray, Howard/Kimball  
Keith Griffin, 69th Street  
Terrence Griffin, Limits  
Mary Guice, North Park

Sharon Hampton, South Section  
Willie Hampton, Lawndale  
Chester Harris, North Park  
Georgia Harris, North Park  
John Harris, Lawndale  
Walter Harris, North Park  
Willie Harris Jr., North Avenue

Lawrence Hart, North Avenue  
Cecelia Hendrickson, Forest Glen  
Therese Hennessy, Forest Glen  
Peyton Hightower, 77th Street  
Ralph Howard, North Avenue

Michael Jackson, 69th Street  
Ronald Jackson, 77th Street  
Zeke Jagst, North Park  
Willie Johnson, North Avenue

William Knight, North Park  
Michael Kozlowski, North Park  
Robert Kremer, North Park

Ricardo Leiva, Forest Glen  
John Lemond, North Park  
Robert Longbey, 69th Street  
Rafael Lopez, Forest Glen

Edwin Mahan, Howard/Kimball  
Michael Maines, Forest Glen  
Kevin Majors, North Park  
Madaline Martin, North Park  
Robert Martinez, North Park  
James McDonald, Lawndale  
Valray McIntosh, Beverly  
A. D. Merrick, North Avenue  
Lianne Merrill, 69th Street  
Edgar Mollinedo, North Park  
Abraham Morgan, North Avenue  
Sylvester Morgan, 69th Street

Daniel Olvera, Limits  
Willie Otis, District A

Billy Ragsdale, 52nd Street  
Clyde Randolph, 52nd Street  
Joseph Reed, Plant Maintenance

Leon Richmond, Lawndale  
Sherman Robinson, North Avenue  
Ivan Rodez, Limits  
David Rosenthal, North Park

Michael Shelton, North Park  
Kenneth Simpson, North Park  
Herbert Slack, North Avenue  
Robert Smith, 77th Street  
Willie Stubbs, Lawndale

Wendell Talbert, North Park  
Edward Tierney, West Section  
Emilio Torres, Limits  
Wilson Torres, Limits

Arturo Valdez, North Park  
Mitchell VanCleave, North Park  
Garrett Vaught, 77th Street

Darold Wardlow, Limits  
Fredrick White, North Park  
Ceola Williams, 52nd Street  
Henderson Williams, Forest Glen  
Russell Williams, Ashland  
Isaiah Williams Jr., Archer

Janie Yarbrough, Lawndale

We apologize to bus operator Michael Shelton, North Park, who received commendations during February, 1981 and July, 1980. His name was inadvertently omitted from the commendation list in those issues.

## promotions

Jack Cannon, former position control analyst, Human Resources-Job Classification, has been appointed supervisor, Human Resources Information Center. In Transportation, two former management/professional interns have been promoted to assistant superintendents: Walter Alexander is now assigned to District C Service, while Joseph Grady reports to the area superintendent, Far South, Personnel.

In other job reassignments, Rudy Mendez, former human relations specialist, Human Resources-Human Relations, has been named labor relations representative, Labor Relations; and in Human Resources-Job Classification, Tomoko Smart has moved from position control clerk to position control analyst.

Patricia Flynn, former secretarial stenographer, Materials Management, is now confidential office assistant, Human Resources-Training/Development Programs. New as confidential office assistant, Human Resources-Employment & Placement, is Diana Blaino, former utility clerk, Law/Claims.

Three new station clerks have been selected for

Transportation-Bus Systems: Henry Billups Jr., former bus operator, Archer; Harry Boris, former street collector, Limits; and Richard Gooden, former operator, Beverly. Worthetta Evans, former key-punch operator, Datacenter, has been named data entry & control clerk, Operations Planning-Schedules.

At South Shops, Walter Brown has been promoted from bus & truck mechanic helper to bus & truck mechanic. New at South Shops as a utility clerk is Maureen Shore, former typist, Materials Management-Stores. Now serving as utility clerk, Skokie Shop, is Ann Marie Wolf, former typist, Management Services-Administrative Services.

In Financial Services-Materials & Payables, Ruthie McPhee has moved from payables utility clerk to accounts payable clerk. Lawrence Tischer, former stock clerk, Materials Management-Stores, is now money handler, Treasury-Central Counting.

Amarilis Figueroa, former typist, Insurance & Pensions, has been named technical training clerk, Human Resources-Training/Development Programs. Carmen Parker, former typist, Insurance & Pensions, has been selected utility clerk in the same section. Margarita Garcia, former clerk typist, Transportation, has been chosen typist, Insurance & Pensions.



**CRAIG I. ADKINS**  
De LaSalle Inst.  
Ruth Adkins  
Archer



**KAREN L. ADKINS**  
U of I Med. Ctr.  
Ruth Adkins  
Archer



**TAEKO R. AMMONS**  
Morgan Park H.S.  
Bernard Ammons  
Engineering



**LAURA BALAZS**  
Streamwood H.S.  
Gordon Balazs  
Bus Service



**NANCY BARKER**  
Arlington H.S.  
Allan Barker  
Engineering



**CAROL A. BEAL**  
Lindblom H.S.  
Isaac S. Beal  
General Operations



**LESLIE L. BEAL**  
Lindblom H. S.  
Isaac S. Beal  
General Operations



**KATHLEEN BOYLE**  
Marillac H.S.  
Tom Boyle  
Safety

**Gallery of June  
Graduates  
In CTA Families**  
Here are the proudest pictures  
of the year identified by name,  
school, parents and parent's  
CTA work location.



**NECOLE BROWN**  
Fenger H.S.  
Preston Brown  
West Shops



**KIMBERLY BROWNE**  
Spellman College  
Carolyn Browne  
Stenographics



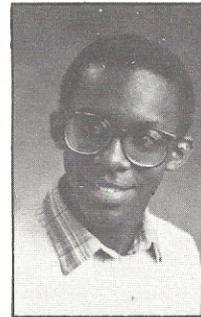
**ROY CAMERON JR.**  
Corliss H.S.  
Roy Cameron Sr.  
District B



**KATHARINA CARBONELLI**  
St. Genevieve  
Sal Carbonelli  
North Park



**ROBERT CARBONELLI**  
Prosser H. S.  
Sal Carbonelli  
North Park



**DARRYL CLARK**  
Evanston H.S.  
Juanita Clark  
Limits



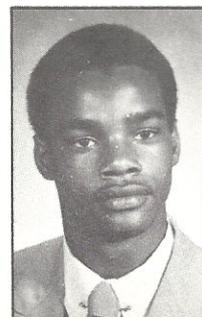
**ELAYNE COLEMAN**  
Hillcrest H.S.  
Sylvia Coleman  
Law



**GLORIA COTTON**  
Proviso East H.S.  
Charles Cotton  
Jefferson Park



**CARMELOITA COUSIN**  
Tilden H.S.  
Jacqueline Cousin  
Archer



**WALTER W. COX**  
Brother Rice  
George Cox  
West Shops



**THERESA DAVIS**  
Mother McAuley  
Ozie Davis  
69th Street



**STEPHAN DONOHUE**  
Jacobs H.S.  
John J. Donohue  
Security



**WILLIAM EVANS**  
Bogan H.S.  
Edward Evans  
South Shops



**YVONNE M. EVANS**  
Bowen H.S.  
David Evans Jr.  
Howard



**KIMBERLY FRANKS**  
South Shore H.S.  
Paul D. Franks  
77th Street



**TERESA GARDNER**  
Aquinas H.S.  
John Gardner  
Archer



**SHARON GREENWOOD**  
Chicago Vocational  
William Greenwood  
Archer



**PATRICIA HESTER**  
Loyola U.  
John J. Hester  
North Park



**ANNA HOFF**  
Thornwood H.S.  
Paul Rozek  
Datacenter



**CATHY IRWIN**  
Mother Guerin  
Joseph Irwin  
South Shops



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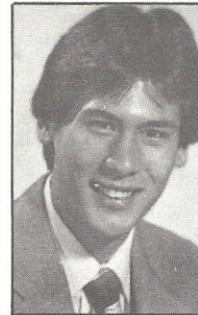
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St. Francis DeSales  
Paul Jones  
West Shops



**ROBERTA M. JULUN**  
Kenwood Academy  
Robert Julun  
Bus Service



**JEFFREY KACMAREK**  
St. Laurence H.S.  
George Kacmarek  
Utility



**MARK KADOWAKI**  
Loyola U.  
Paul Kadowaki  
Instruction



**DEBORAH J. LAZZARA**  
Michael Reese N. S.  
Joseph B. Lazzara  
Archer



**LYNNE LAZZARA**  
Loyola U.  
Joe Lazzara  
Grant Program



**STEVEN LAZZARA**  
Kennedy H.S.  
Joseph B. Lazzara  
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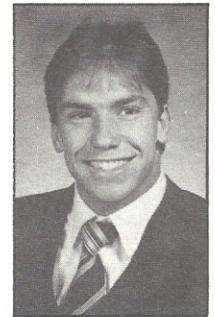
**VIVIAN LONG**  
Indiana U.  
Richard Long Jr.  
District C



**MARY K. MANONI**  
Triton College  
Mary H. Manoni  
Trng./Devlpmt.



**REGINA MARSHALL**  
St. Francis DeSales  
Sinnie Marshall  
Jefferson Park



**DANIEL MC DONAGH**  
Gordon Tech.  
T. J. Mc Donagh  
Rail North



**CHARISSE MC GHEE**  
Oberlin College  
Earl J. Mc Ghee  
Security



**YVONNE MC GHEE**  
Fenger H.S.  
Cleophus Mc Ghee  
77th Street



**CLAUDETTE MC WILLIAMS**  
P.L. Julian H.S.  
Ernestine Mc Williams  
North Section



**MELVIN MILLER JR.**  
Julian H. S.  
Melvin Miller Sr.  
69th Street



**NICOLETTE MILLER**  
Taft H.S.  
Nick Miller  
District D



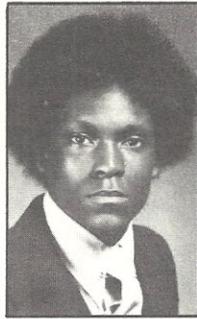
**CHIVETTE MITCHELL**  
Hyde Park Academy  
Richard Mitchell  
Schedules



SANDY MOORE  
Westinghouse H.S.  
Johnny Moore  
Lawndale



CAROLYN MUNYER  
Good Counsel H.S.  
George Munyer  
Security



RAYMOND NICHOLS  
Calumet H.S.  
William Nichols  
Control Center



MARY A. POPEK  
Proviso East H.S.  
Thomas G. Popek  
Engineering



BOBBY L. REEVES JR.  
Corliss H.S.  
Barbara Reeves  
Training Center



FERN M. RILES  
Maria H.S.  
Lawrin Riles Sr.  
District B



ANGELA RIVERS  
Willibrodt H.S.  
Jonathan Rivers  
52nd Street



LAURIE ROWBOTTOM  
Rolling Meadows H.S.  
Harold Rowbottom  
Street Traffic



PAULA Y. SANDERS  
Benton Harbor H.S.  
Taylor N. Sanders  
77th Street



SCOTT SCHAAF  
Argo H.S.  
Cornelius Schaaf  
54th Shop



CARLYN SCHWAMB  
Luther North H.S.  
Donna Schwamb  
Grant Programs



TRISHA SHELTON  
Mather H.S.  
Daniel Shelton  
North Avenue



PAULA A. SHERIFF  
Western III. U.  
Sarah Woodard  
Security



MARY SIMPSON  
Resurrection H.S.  
Malcolm Simpson  
West Shops



KARYN L. STEWARD  
Dunbar H.S.  
Delores O. Brooks  
Claims



BRIDGETT STINSON  
Paul Robeson H.S.  
Hank Stinson  
Beverly



MARY ANN SUERO  
U of I Circle  
Nick Suero  
Desplaines Shop



CRAIG SWINDELL  
Oak Park/River Forest  
R. O. Swindell  
Signal Design



JULIETTE VALERIANO  
Maria H.S.  
Jose Valeriano  
Archer



TINA E. VELTRI  
Trinity College  
Mike Veltri  
Congress/Douglas



KAREN WHITAKER  
U. of Illinois  
McDay Whitaker  
77th Street



ADRIENNE WILLIAMS  
Mother of Sorrow  
Alton Williams  
Near South Area



KIMBERLY A. WILLIS  
Queen of Peace H.S.  
Edward Willis  
District C



KIOTHA WILSON  
Curie H.S.  
Ethel Wilson  
Archer

## safety awards

Public safety awards for the first quarter of 1981 went to the Lawndale garage and the Harlem-Lake terminal.

Lawndale won the coveted award over nine other garages for the second quarter in a row, having captured the traveling plaque for the last quarter of 1980.

The Lawndale drivers compiled a traffic accident frequency rate of 4.70 accidents. This was eight per cent lower than the system rate of 5.11. The passen-

ger rate of 0.61 accidents was 39 per cent lower than the system rate. Both figures are based on 100,000 miles of driving.

Among the rail terminals, Harlem-Lake won top honors for the first quarter of this year. The combined traffic and passenger accident frequency rate was 54 per cent lower than the system-wide average for the 90-day period.

The terminal had 86 accident-free days during the quarter and its combined traffic and passenger accident rate was the best in the rail system.

The latest award was the 18th for Harlem-Lake since the public safety award program began in 1961.



LEFT: Ray Colello (in sport coat), superintendent, Lawndale garage, is joined by other garage employees in displaying Public Safety Award won for the first quarter, 1981.

BELOW: Tom Boyle (light suit), manager, Safety, presents Public Safety Award for first quarter, 1981, to Stan Christ, superintendent, Harlem-Lake, in the rail terminal's train room.



# ZAP Awards

Winning can be contagious--just ask the Rail Vehicle Maintenance employees at the 54th Maintenance terminal and the Rail Vehicle Maintenance employees at the 61st-Racine Maintenance terminal.

The Rail Vehicle repair employees at the terminals shared first place honors in the Vehicle Maintenance Zero Accident Program for the first quarter of 1981.

The employees of the 54th Maintenance terminal had no accidents in the first three months of this year. The employees at the 61st-Racine Maintenance terminal had the lowest accident ratio

in the same period.

The last time 54th Maintenance terminal employees were in first place was in the first quarter of 1979. The 61st-Racine employees won first place honors in the second quarter of 1980.

Runner-up to the co-winners was Harlem terminal. Eight Rail Vehicle Maintenance terminals take part in the quarterly safety contest.

The Rail Vehicle Overhaul area of Skokie Shop continued its winning way by coming in first for this year's first quarter ZAP competition. This area also was in first place for the last quarter of 1980.

In the bus garages competition

the 77th Street garage came in first in the ZAP competition. The employees at the 77th Street garage last savored first place success in the second quarter of 1980 in the competition among 10 bus garages. Beverly garage came in second.

At the giant 77th Street garage complex the Unit Rebuild area won first place in the bus shops ZAP contest for the first quarter of this year.

The Track & Structures group of the Plant Maintenance Power and Wayarea won the semi-annual ZAP safety award. In the Buildings and Grounds area, General Maintenance won the semi-annual ZAP award.



Nick Simonetti, unit supervisor, unit rebuild area, bus shops, shows employees' first place ZAP award for first quarter, 1981, competition they won.

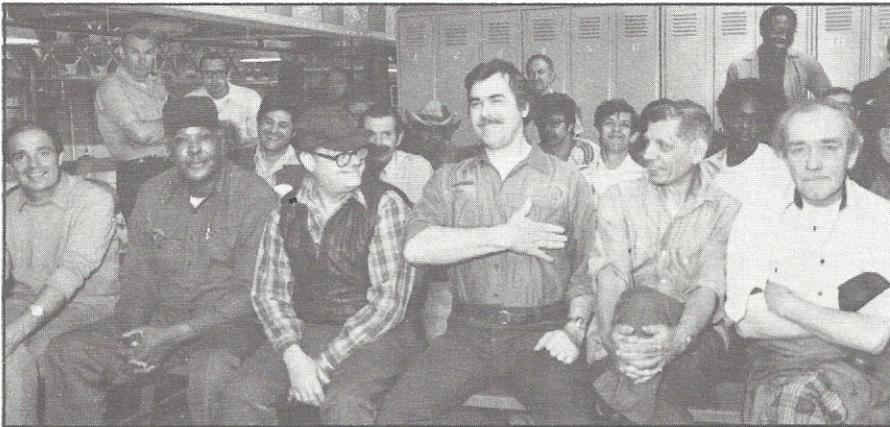


LEFT: George Haenisch (left), superintendent, rail vehicle shops, presents safety award for first quarter, 1981, to George Wylie, blacksmith foreman, who accepted the award in behalf of rail vehicle overhaul area employees in Skokie Shop. ABOVE: John Malloy, day foreman, 54th Avenue rail vehicle maintenance terminal, displays ZAP certificate for first place, first quarter competition of 1981 won by all employees of his area. George Klein, car repairer (at Malloy's right), displays a \$40 gift certificate for a pair of Leigh safety shoes he won in a raffle. To Malloy's left is James Dudley, supervisor, Safety, Maintenance department.



Walter Hallford (in light colored suit), superintendent, Buildings and Grounds, Plant Maintenance, presents semi-annual first place award to

Joseph Fucarino, unit supervisor, general maintenance.



Members of Skokie Shop's rail vehicle overhaul area show their pleasure at winning the top honor in safety at the informal award ceremony.

Spencer Bennett (right), 77th Street garage day foreman, accepts first place ZAP certificate won in first quarter, 1981 competition by garage employees, from Terry Muellner, unit supervisor, Vehicle Maintenance.



Trackman Richard Liaca (left), iron worker foreman Barty Greco (center), and trackman Pete Byrne display the semi-annual first place safety award won by the employees in the track and structure area of the Plant Maintenance section.



Accepting plaques from the Greater Chicago Safety Council for an improved safety record and low accident frequency in 1980 are, from left, Tim Hall, assistant superintendent, North Park; Alex Johnson, area superintendent, central personnel; Jim Blaa, manager, Transportation; Jim Roche, director, Utility; Mack Porter, superintendent, 77th Street garage; J. C. White, superintendent, 69th Street garage; David Martin, area superintendent, Near North; Mike Laciola, superintendent, Limits garage; Bill Moser, area superintendent, Far North; Joe Stein-

bach, superintendent, Archer garage; Ward Chamberlain, area superintendent, Near South; Vic Johnson, superintendent, North Park garage; Frank Wsol, area superintendent, Far South; E. C. White, superintendent, 52nd Street garage; Ray Colello, superintendent, Lawndale garage; Burnett Henderson, superintendent, Beverly garage; Hugh Masterson, superintendent, Forest Glen garage; Tom Boyle, manager, Safety, and Bob Designes, superintendent, Instruction, Transportation department.

## Safety Council honors CTA

The Greater Chicago Safety Council has given recognition to all 10 of the CTA's bus garages and its Transportation Utility section for their improved safety record and low accident frequency in 1980.

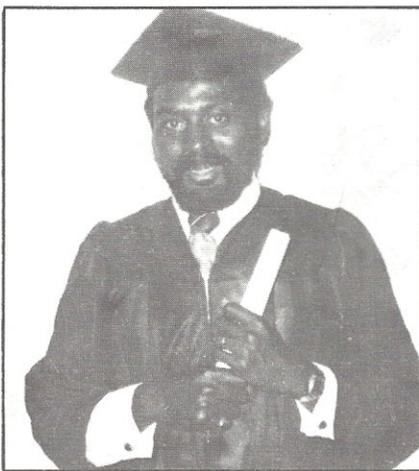
It was the first time in CTA's history that all bus garages have accomplished such a record in the same year. Their combined efforts helped CTA establish its safest year ever.

Plaques were presented to representatives of the

various garages and the Utility section on May 11 at the council's annual awards dinner which was held in the Great Hall of the Pick-Congress Hotel. In addition, plaques were awarded to four non-operating areas (Rail Vehicle Terminals, Rapid Transit Transportation, Surface Transportation, and General Office) for an overall reduction in industrial accident frequency.

The Greater Chicago Safety Council promotes safety among all organizations operating large fleets of vehicles within the Chicago area.

## West Section motorman receives degree



Robert McClure Jr.

A West Section motorman was graduated from Kennedy-King College with an associate of arts degree in sociology during com-

mencement exercises last month.

The ceremony culminated three years of academic study towards the AA degree for Robert McClure Jr., a CTA employee since 1969. McClure also is associate pastor of Emerald Avenue Church of God where his ministry is devoted primarily to counseling. He has frequently received special church recognition for participating in seminars and workshops for counselors.

Rev. McClure expects to continue his academic pursuits towards a bachelor of arts degree in sociology, and ultimately an MA degree in theology. He is currently enrolled in a theology correspondence course at Gulf Coast Bible college, Houston, Texas.

McClure's wife, Shirley, is an assistant superintendent assigned to the director of personnel, Transportation department.



Donna L. Cooper, the daughter of Allen L. Cooper, bus repairman at Beverly garage, was admitted to the Illinois State Bar last month. Miss Cooper received her jurist doctorate from DePaul University Law school, and holds a bachelor of science degree in speech from Northwestern university.

# A proud father, a proud grandfather

Edward Levandowski Jr., an instructor at Lawndale's Maintenance Training Center, has been the epitome of a proud father since the recent accomplishments of his 9-year-old daughter, Deanna, and 7-year-old son, Eddie.

The pride is shared of course, by the children's grandfather, Edward Levandowski Sr., superintendent of Central Counting at 77th Street.

Deanna, a fourth grader at Sunnyside school, Berkeley, was the recent winner of a cultural arts award and has been chosen to represent the Berkeley school district in the Illinois Conference of Parents and Teachers Cultural Arts competition with her poem of "What a Family Means to Me."

Meanwhile, son Eddie, a first grader, brought home prizes for the whole family after a day at



Bozo's Circus. His cache included four tickets for activities at Wisconsin Dells, four tickets for a Chicago Sting Soccer game at Comiskey Park, a bike, a \$50 bill, and an assortment of toys and electronic games. He also re-



ceived a gift certificate from a hair stylist.

The boy was selected to be on the show in a random drawing after he was invited to accompany a friend to the popular televised event.

## Purchasing Council awards certificate for minority activities

The Chicago Regional Purchasing Council gave special recognition to the CTA at its annual Buyers Award dinner in April.

Ms. Olivia Bradley, market research analyst in the Purchasing department, and the department's council representative, accepted the certificate on behalf of the CTA for its effort to promote minority businesses.

The certificate reads that the

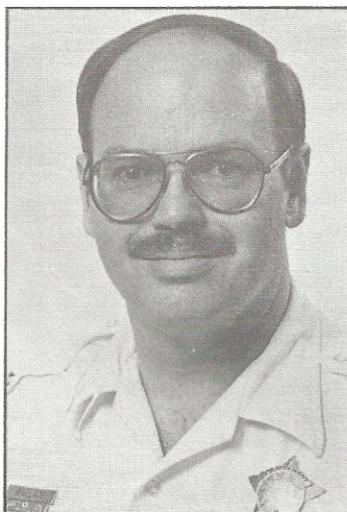
CTA as a member of the CRPC is "illustrating its corporate commitment to promote and support the participation of minority business enterprises in the economic mainstream of corporate purchasing in the Chicago Metropolitan Area."

Since 1977, the Purchasing department has participated in the Transportation Subcouncil of the CRPC, which develops minority

owned and operated companies to provide materials and services needed to operate transportation companies.

Minority bidding on CTA proposals has also tripled since CTA began participating in the Chicago Business Opportunity Fair sponsored by CRPC. The fair is designed to bring corporate purchasing agents and qualified vendors together.

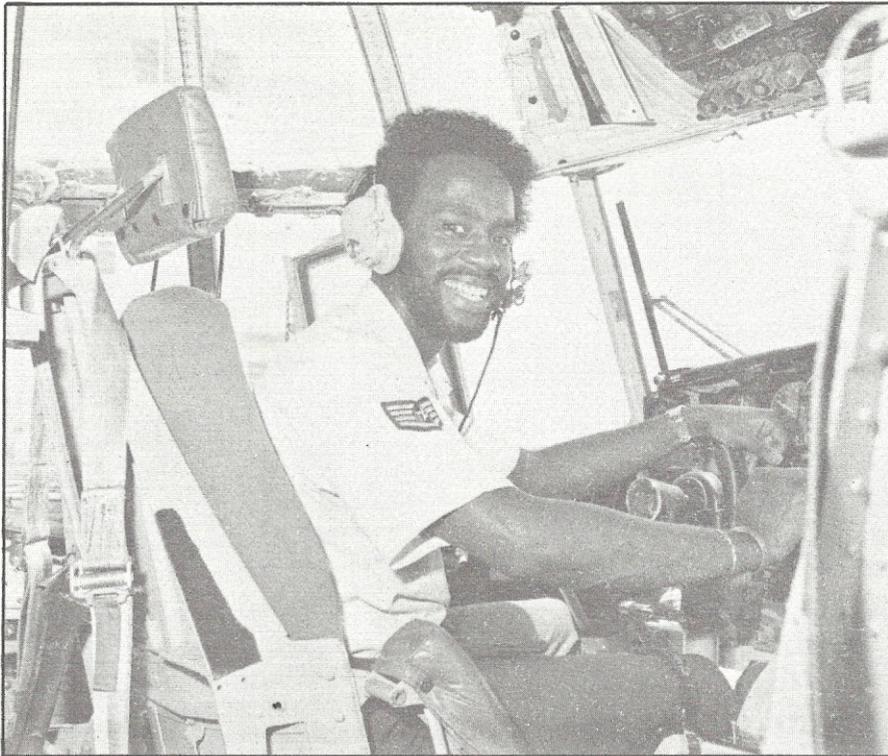
## Lt. Paul Wallace elected president of justice association



Lt. Paul Wallace, Security department, has been elected national president of the American Criminal Justice Association—Lambda Alpha Epsilon—at the association's annual convention recently held at Sam Houston State university, Huntsville, Texas.

The American Criminal Justice Association is headquartered in Sacramento, Cal., and was founded in 1937. Lt. Wallace has been an association member for 10 years.

The association promotes professionalism through education and training in the field of criminal justice.



Theodore "Cap" Manuel, a Human Resources/ Job Classification personnel analyst, and a staff sergeant in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, has been named noncommissioned officer in charge of the Contracting Section with the 928th Tactical Airlift Group at O'Hare Field. The section, which includes a contingent of civilian personnel as well as Air Force reservists, handles all purchasing under \$10,000 with the exception of aircraft parts. Sergeant Manuel was recently awarded the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster. He holds a bachelor of science degree in organizational behavior/personnel from Northwestern University. He was employed by CTA as a bus operator in 1973 and assumed duties as a traffic checker in 1977. Manuel was appointed personnel analyst last year.

## Ernie Banks releases record

CTA Board Member Ernie Banks, Baseball Hall of Famer turned banker, has released a single on the Wanna Records label called "Teamwork."

Working with new Chicago talents, Banks has made "Teamwork" the name of the game as well as the song.

Vocals, appropriately enough, were provided by the "Luva Bulls" and the "Honey Bears," cheerleaders for the Chicago Bulls and the Chicago Bears, assisted by the Chicago-based group

"Spirit." Contributing a few "Hey-Heys" was Jack Brickhouse, long-time friend and associate of Banks.

When asked why he chose to work on a recording, Banks said, "I want to lend my success to what Chicago has to offer. There is so much talent right here, if we can pull some of it out - well, that's just great!" Lewis Pitzele, president of Wanna Records, Inc., agreed with Banks that the area talent needs to be recognized and nurtured, and said, "It's time that entertainment capabilities of our area flourish here rather than migrate to Los Angeles or New York. I think Ernie wants this as much as I do."



Dianne Weier dons a Hawaiian lei as 42 friends and coworkers feted her at a farewell party recently in the M&M Club. The Forms Design section employee said goodbye to Chicago as she headed for the Hula State to start a new career. Serving on the special committee to wish her adieu were, from left, Mary Boski, director, Forms/Records Management; Dianne, Linda Lundberg, Materials Management; Adele Monson, Forms Design; Carol Hardy, Human Relations, Darlene Tribue, Budget; Marti Hallock, Materials Management; Nancy Kurowski, Job Classification; Barbara Parker, and Judy Weier, Comptroller.

# Archer Bandits 1980-81 bowling champs

The 77th Street Operators Bowling League ended its 1980-81 bowling season with the Archer Bandits as the number one team.

In second place were the 69th Street Raiders, with the Pin Busters and Boozers finishing third and fourth, respectively.

League president, Booker Byers, expressed his thanks to all the teams participating for an excellent season.



**THE CHAMPS:** Proudly displaying their first-place trophies are, from left, Herbert Hodge, Talmadge Ireland, Horace Kemp, Donald Grant and James Coleman.



**69TH STREET RAIDERS:** From left are Thurman "Termite" Collier, Ron Wheatly, Leon Harris and Elvin Simpson. Team members Lorenzo Ballard and Norwood Duff were not present when picture was taken.



**PIN BUSTERS:** From left are Wilson Washington, Rufus Meeks, Kathy, standing in for C. V. Johnson, Luther Lee and Tex Battles.



**BOOZERS:** From left (standing) are Charles Parham, Elijah Coleman, Jomo Kenyatta, James "Rip" Person and Wade Simmons. Kneeling is Jimmie Beatty.

# Labor Relations' Walsh retires after 35 years

James H. Walsh, superintendent, Grievance/Arbitration Processes, was the guest of honor at a retirement celebration held in the CTA board room at the Merchandise Mart.

Calling it an ambivalent occasion, Labor Relations Manager Leon Wool said, "It is ambivalent because we are happy for Jim in his retirement, yet we are saddened by the fact that he is leaving us."

More than 75 persons attended the celebration where the guest of honor was presented with monetary and merchandise gifts. He was accompanied by his wife, Josephine, and a son, James R. Walsh of Warrenville.

CTA Chairman Eugene M. Barnes, recalling that the CTA had recently hosted a meeting of APTA officials, told Walsh and his well wishers, "The leadership and experience that people come here to see is found in people like Jim. We appreciate your efforts and the fine dedication which you have contributed in your 35 years of service to the CTA."

Walsh who retired June 1, began his career on April 29, 1946 as a 77th Street motorman. A former infantry officer, he was recalled to active military service in 1949 with the rank of first lieutenant.

He returned to the CTA in 1951 as a bus operator assigned to Beverly Garage and in 1957 was promoted to supervisor, District A, Transportation. For the next 20 years his career soared through various assignments from instructor to station superintendent.

He joined the Labor Relations sec-



Family and friends came to say thanks for a job well done. From left, Chairman Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, and their son, James R., and CTA Board Member Howard Medley.

tion on January 1, 1978 as a representative and was named superintendent on May 6, 1979.

General Operations Manager Harold H. Geissenheimer, in his congratulatory remarks to Walsh said, "What is good for the CTA is good for the employee, and what is good for the employee is good for the CTA. What you have done in your capacity in Labor Relations is to bring the two together, and it is very much appreciated."

James Blaa, manager of Transportation, said, "The Transportation depart-

ment was fortunate to have had the distinguished service rendered by Jim. When Labor Relations borrowed him from us we didn't think they would keep him, but we knew that he would do a good job for them."

Walsh will continue to make his home in Worth, Ill., and plans to devote time to traveling, playing the organ and golfing. Other members of the Walsh family include daughters Theresa of Kingston, Jamaica, Mary Louise of Palos Hills, Joanne of Houston, and Barbara of Worth.



ABOVE: Labor Relations Manager Leon Wool presents official retirement papers to Jim as he ends 35 years of service with the CTA. Standing with the honoree is his wife, Josephine.

RIGHT: Mementoes of a fine career were presented to Jim by his co-workers.



## NEW PENSIONERS

FRANK BONK, Signal Maintainer,  
West Shops, Emp. 1-28-46  
FRED FRIEB, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 3-11-46  
FLOYD GRAJEK, Box Puller,  
Beverly, Emp. 10-20-47  
GEORGE HARDY, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 2-4-57  
FLORENCE PARROTT, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 10-5-53  
JOHN SHANAHAN, Car Repairman,  
61st Street, Emp. 9-13-50  
JAMES WALSH, Grievance Arb. Proc.,  
Labor Relations, Emp. 4-29-46  
JAMES WATKINS, Trackman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 8-18-52

### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JESSE ROBINSON, Electrician,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 5-8-70  
CHARLES WELLS, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 4-3-67

### Seniors plan annual picnic

The CTA Senior Citizens Retirement Organization will hold its annual picnic on August 8 at National Grove #2 located in North Riverside, approximately two blocks west of Desplaines avenue at 2900 South.

The picnic will begin at 9 a.m. and end at sunset, and it will feature afternoon dancing in the pavilion and prizes and gifts for everyone.

The organization is non-profit and is comprised of retired CTA and predecessor company employees whose membership of nearly 1,500 extends throughout Chicago-land.

Anyone needing more information about the picnic or wishing to donate prizes, gifts of merchandise certificates, or other suitable items should write Jack Kalka, the picnic chairman, at 1546 S. Clinton avenue, Berwyn, Illinois 60402, or call him at (312) 484-6610.

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## Service anniversaries in June

### 40 years



Ted Nadrowski  
Electrical



George J. Macak  
Operations Planning

### 35 years

Michael J. Borchek, Forest Glen  
Clarence R. Dougan, Beverly  
Lloyd Ferdinand, 52nd Street  
Joseph G. Franchi, South Shops  
Dino Fuggiti, Electrical  
Ted J. Galus, Forest Glen  
Henry G. Gerali, Forest Glen  
William F. Glassner, Maintenance  
Clarence Halbert, Maintenance  
Wayne A. Hansen, Maintenance  
Harry S. Hawke, Skokie Shop  
Patrick J. Hoey, Maintenance  
Rocco Iacullo, Law  
John F. Kelly, 52nd Street  
Howard W. Loding, Electrical  
Flarzell Moore Sr., 77th Street  
Frederick Moss, 77th Street  
Richard T. Norton, Electrical

### 30 years

Delmus A. Allen, Ashland/95th  
John A. Bright, Forest Park  
Harvey E. Brock, 69th Street  
Charles B. Brown, 61st Street  
Martin Conneely, 61st Street  
John Cook, 61st Street  
Mitchell P. Faczek, Skokie Shop  
Willie Franks, Maintenance  
Dennis K. Gibson, Ashland/95th  
William Greer, 77th Street  
Robert E. Hardy, Maintenance  
Herschel R. Harris, 77th Street  
Maxine E. Jefferson, Agents Office  
Dave Johnson, Maintenance  
Melvin Jones, Ashland/95th  
Clarence Junkins, Instruction  
Alfonzas Lauras, Racine  
Thomas R. McKeon, Utility  
George W. Nicholson, 98th Shop  
Patrick M. O'Connor, Wilson  
John D. Orange, 61st Street  
Clarence N. Parks Jr., 77th Street  
Tommie J. Pertee, Racine  
William A. Szabelski, South Shops  
Charles E. Walker, 77th Street  
Houston H. Washington, Ashland/95th  
Frank S. Zabrowski, North Park

### 25 years

L. J. Hampton, North Avenue  
Willie B. McGee, Beverly  
Leonard C. Moore, 77th Street  
Willie V. Webb, Lawndale

John P. O'Connor, Operations Planning  
Joseph M. Siegal, Power/Wiring  
Casmir J. Strzynski, South Shops  
Edmund Wojcik, Howard/Kimball

## IN MEMORIAM

JOHN AMBROGIO, 64, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 7-18-57, Died 4-6-81  
THOMAS BENNETT, 92, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 7-15-06, Died 4-22-81  
JOHN BIELAT, 85, Rapid Transit,  
Emp. 10-1-18, Died 4-12-81  
EVERETT BRUCKNER, 77, Stores,  
Emp. 8-29-23, Died 4-11-81  
WILLIAM DOHERTY, 77, South Section,  
Emp. 10-22-45, Died 4-28-81  
WILLIAM DONNELLY, 70, West Section,  
Emp. 11-9-36, Died 4-23-81  
ROBERT DURFEE, 66, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 7-29-43, Died 4-28-81  
JAMES FANTROY, 61, South Section,  
Emp. 8-8-68, Died 4-5-81  
GERTRUDE HOLBROOK, 85, West Section,  
Emp. 5-2-39, Died 4-25-81  
IRVING KERSH, 36, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-6-67, Died 4-26-81  
THOMAS LANIGAN, 75, Electrical,  
Emp. 3-17-30, Died 4-19-81  
MICHAEL LAVELLE, 82, Beverly,  
Emp. 4-9-43, Died 4-26-81  
FRANK LITTLE, 83, Wilson,  
Emp. 4-20-25, Died 4-29-81

WALTER MAJCHRZAK, 78, West Section,  
Emp. 2-4-37, Died 4-9-81  
THOMAS MASON, 78, Instruction,  
Emp. 12-10-28, Died 4-3-81  
WILLIAM METZGER, 79, Track,  
Emp. 2-3-27, Died 3-12-81  
FRANK MORAN, 70, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 8-22-41, Died 4-27-81  
JOHN O'CONNOR, 83, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 8-24-20, Died 4-20-81  
CONNIE PEOPLES, 61, Archer,  
Emp. 2-16-45, Died 4-1-81  
ALBERT ROSS, 92, West Section,  
Emp. 1-14-13, Died 4-29-81  
BYRON SLEE, 74, Limits,  
Emp. 11-4-42, Died 4-30-81  
RAYMOND TROY, 64, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 1-6-49, Died 4-17-81  
NICK VUKELICH, 90, Track,  
Emp. 9-6-29, Died 4-5-81  
MITCHELL WARCHOL, 57, Limits,  
Emp. 11-15-47, Died 5-4-81  
BERNARD ZESCH, 75, Beverly,  
Emp. 12-19-33, Died 4-20-81



The CTA Culture Bus service began its fifth year of service on Memorial Day, May 25th, serving 29 museums and cultural attractions on the North, South, and West Sides of Chicago. The service will operate on Sundays, July 4th, and Labor Day, Sept. 7th, through October 18th.



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