

## New convenience for riders

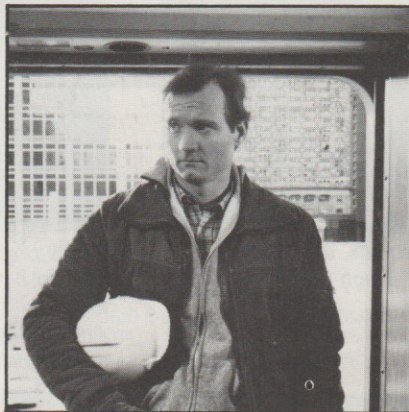
cta Presents  
The **14-DAY PASS** Rides  
For **UNLIMITED** **\$23.00**  
coming **March 30**

Available at Currency Exchanges & Jewel Food Stores

Riders began enjoying a new level of fare-paying convenience on March 30 when CTA introduced its new 14-Day Pass, which features the same unlimited riding benefits as the already-successful Monthly Pass.

Each 14-Day Pass is valid from 3 a.m. on the first Sunday of the riding period until 3 p.m. of the Sunday two weeks later. The new passes are sold through more than 500 convenient locations, including Jewel Food Stores and currency exchanges which also sell monthly passes. 14-Day Passes are sold from the Thursday before through the Tuesday after the Sunday that begins the riding period. Riding periods begin on Sunday, March 30, and every second Sunday thereafter.

The price of the full-fare 14-Day Pass is \$23.00, or one-half the price of the \$46.00 Monthly Pass. Pass holders enjoy unlimited CTA riding



In a new 30-second commercial, local actors (clockwise from top left) Ken Earl, Margaret Mulkey, Barbara Sullivan, and Allan Westbrook introduce television viewers to the convenience and time and money savings offered by CTA's new 14-Day Pass.

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# 14-Day Pass

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with two exceptions: they must pay a 20-cent surcharge when boarding southbound Evanston Express trains in Evanston, and a premium fare of \$1.35 is charged for all-day riding on CTA's Culture Bus service which will operate on Sundays and holidays from May 15 through September 28. Reduced-fare passes for disabled riders and senior citizens (with proper RTA identification) are sold for \$11.50 (14-Day) and \$23 (Monthly).

"We are pleased to introduce the new 14-Day Pass to give our riders the opportunity to have unlimited riding privileges without having to pay the full monthly rate," said CTA Chairman Michael A. Cardilli. "In this way, riders who do not work the full month and those who prefer smaller payments, can still avail themselves of the unlimited rides."

CTA began selling Monthly Passes in February, 1978, through companies which sold them to their employees, and began selling individual passes through retail outlets in January of 1980.

Monthly Pass sales have grown continually since that time, and a record number of more than 132,000 full-fare Monthly Passes were sold in March of this year.

Several promotional efforts are designed to insure rapid public acceptance of the 14-Day Passes. Car card ads designed by Alan Grady, Publications Section, began appearing in CTA vehicles and stations in early March, and new radio commercials created by the Promotional Services section also feature the 14-Day Pass.

During May, Chicago television stations will begin airing a new CTA 30-second commercial promoting the convenience and low price of the 14-Day Pass. Tony Ambut, Com-

munications section, produced the commercial with the services of a Chicago-based video production company. Four local actors portray CTA riders who save time and money and don't have to search for change while using the 14-Day Pass.

Several CTA employees also enjoyed a unique opportunity to voluntarily serve as extras during the TV commercial filming, which took place March 8 at the LaSalle/Van Buren inner elevated station and the O'Hare rapid transit terminal. This was the most cost-effective commercial ever produced by CTA, because production and supervision were handled in-house.



Appearing as extras in the 14-Day Pass commercial are (from left to right) **Bruce Schmitz**, 'B' electrician, West Shops, **Cookie Jacobs**, key-punch operator, Datacenter, and **Cynthia Davis**, data entry operator, Revenue Accounting.



Extras (from left) **Cookie Jacobs**, **Cynthia Davis**, and **Carol Jackson**, key punch operator, Datacenter, touch up their makeup before videotaping.



CTA's producer, **Tony Ambut** (right), communications coordinator II, Communications section, plans train movements for videotaping with Rail Supervisor **William Haase** and Switchman **Arlene Hudson**. Other rail employees assisting in train movements included Switchmen **Marian Earwin** and **James Ward**.

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# Conductor revives breathless infant

As the West Northwest 'L' clipped along its southbound route towards the Dearborn Street subway late in the evening of March 25, a young mother aboard the train sat holding a sick infant boy.

The child's skin was pale, almost snow white, and there were tubes in its nose. The baby appeared lifeless, and the mother, who had boarded at Damen Avenue, was in a near state of shock.

At Division, another young woman approached Conductor **Cleo Jackson Loftus** who that night would make the evening news, the morning headlines, and bring a sense of pride to CTA. "There is a lady who needs help; her baby has died," the woman told the conductor.

Over the train's PA system, Loftus asked if there was a doctor, or nurse aboard. When she got no response she notified the control center of the problem, and went to assess the situation for herself.

"I could see that the baby had no color, so I began to feel the child's skin to see if there were any signs of rigor-mortis," said Loftus, who was trained in the application of cardio pulmonary resuscitation at Cook County Hospital as a radiology student. She also studied at St. Josephs Surgical Technical School, and is a graduate of CPR training which she received at the Maybrook Cook County Sheriff's Academy.



The signs of life were faint, yet Loftus realized that it was possible to revive this infant, which she said was about 10 months old. But, the distraught mother began screaming and refused to give the conductor the limp child. "I figured I had nothing to lose, and certainly no time to waste, so I snatched the baby," said Loftus. She then immediately began to give the child mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

She said she struggled out of her gear as she worked with the baby on the floor of the train. "I did what I had to do, and I knew that with God's help, this child would be revived."

After about 10 minutes, the petite conductor got an encouraging

response from the baby. She was then joined by United Airlines steward Gabriel Tiogangco who offered assistance. As the baby's breathing was restored, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation was applied which increased the child's pulse and brought back his color.

Chicago Fire Department paramedics met the train at Lake Transfer where the mother and child were taken to Cook County Hospital. Hospital reports said the child was in fair condition. "I only did what I had to do," Loftus repeated modestly, as her passengers cheered and shook her hand.

As she told her story, husband James Loftus, a U.S. Postal worker, expressed his pride in the fact that his wife had been instrumental in saving a life.

Loftus joined his wife in the CTA Board room where **Elonzo Hill**, Manager, Training/Instruction told an audience, "Mrs. Loftus brought life into a dying child, and we're so very proud of her."

"We need this kind of involvement to show the public that we do get involved with people beyond just our jobs.

Chief Administrative Officer **Larry Pianto** added, "We do care about people, and we thank you very much for what you have done. You're a good example of the many fine employees at CTA."

## Chairman Cardilli leads CTA in fight against birth defects

In a unique house visit to the southwest side, CTA Chairman Michael A. Cardilli handed a personal check to the 1986 March of Dimes Poster Child, Christopher Stifter, for the WalkAmerica Walkathon saying, "We're starting out with a check for \$200...The March is on!"

CTA employees added to this contribution by joining forces and creating a team to walk in this year's March of Dimes WalkAmerica on Sunday, April 27. The 30-kilometer event (18 miles) raised funds to be used for researching the prevention of birth defects. It's the March of Dimes most successful fund raiser.

If you did not have a chance to sponsor a walker, you may pledge the "Born America, March of Dimes Telethon Event" which will be broadcast live from Six Flags Great America for 21 hours on WFLD-TV Channel 32 and WQRF-TV, Channel 39, in Rockford on June 28-29.

In addition to the \$200, Christopher received a miniature train layout and an authentic CTA orange-colored hard hat from Cardilli.





## Community involvement

Concern for the safety of our riders and the quality of life in our community has always been a most noteworthy characteristic of CTA employees. I congratulate Cleo Jackson Loftus, James Richardson, and Odie Jones. Your recent acts of heroism, as documented on these pages, serve as an example for all of us. We do much more than drive trains and buses throughout the city. All of our good deeds, whether or not they receive public attention or result in commendation, contribute to the quality of life in Chicago.

CTA has recently launched an extensive anti-graffiti program. Through cooperation with the City of Chicago, the Chicago Police Department, the public and parochial school systems, and the riding public, our program of education, eradication, and enforcement can rid our city of this selfish lack of respect for the comfort and property of others, and provide a safe and more enjoyable environment for our transit riders and the general public. Help us wipe out graffiti by reporting acts of vandalism to the Chicago Police Department immediately.

In behalf of the March of Dimes, I thank all CTA employees who contributed to the success of CTA's team walk in the WalkAmerica program, especially those of you who volunteered to be team walkers. Your contribution will enable this fine organization to continue research that will result in better prevention and treatment of birth defects. We have all at one time or another been touched by children, our own or those of our friends that needed help. Now we can truly say we did reach out and help.

*Michael A. Cardilli*



Al Lynch (left), Veterans Advocacy representative in the Attorney General's office, and winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor while serving in Vietnam, presents CTA Chairman Michael A. Cardilli a certificate of appreciation from the Illinois Vietnam Veterans Leadership Program, for CTA's support of 80 Congressional Medal of Honor winners who convened in Chicago last summer. Bus transportation for the prior service members was provided to Navy Pier and Wrigley Field, where they attended a Cubs game. CTA will also support activities of Medal of Honor winners when the group visits Chicago June 12-15.

## Alert bus operator thwarts store robbery

CTA Bus Operator **James Richardson** thwarted a daring daylight burglary of a dry cleaning store at Halsted and Lake streets on March 25, as about a dozen on-lookers were cheering for the burglars. Richardson, a 24-year CTA employee, was driving his No. 8 Halsted bus shortly after 7 a.m. when he saw the crime in progress.

"I saw the store's security bars had been pried apart and a man inside hand out a TV set and a radio to another man," Richardson said, "There were about a dozen men standing around the scene cheering the daring burglars. They even gave the criminals a round of applause."

Richardson quickly radioed Frank Jones, his controller in the CTA's control center. Jones used the CTA's hot line to the Chicago Police Department to report the burglary in progress. Richardson also told Jones one of the burglars had fled up the eastbound stairs to the Halsted/Lake "L" stop.

Two police men apprehended the burglary suspect on the "L" platform with the TV set. A second burglary suspect was arrested near the store.

## Motorman lauded for aid in child molester arrest

CTA Chairman Michael A. Cardilli praised the quick action of Rapid Transit Motorman **Odie Jones** who was instrumental in the March 13 arrest of a suspected child molester aboard his westbound Lake street train.

"Mr. Jones' decisive action of holding his train outside the California station until police were on the platform was an example of CTA's concern for the safety of its riders," Cardilli said.

At about 7 a.m., Jones was alerted by a high school girl that a man was molesting her. Jones radioed the Control Center, where CTA Controller Mary Fryar telephoned the Mass Transit Unit of the Chicago Police Department.

When uniformed policemen arrived on the platform, Jones pulled the train into the station, the girl identified the suspect, and he was placed in custody. Jones is a 14-year CTA employee.

After being replaced by another driver on his bus, Richardson went to the Monroe street police station and identified the burglary suspects.



## Haenisch heads new section, 10 others earn promotions

**George Millonas**, deputy executive director, Engineering & Maintenance division, announced the creation of a new section responsible for all quality control and industrial engineering matters.

Heading the new section is **George Haenisch**, 38, director, Industrial Engineering and Quality Control, who reports to Millonas. The section has 27 members.

Haenisch is headquartered in the Washington garage where his quality control staff is located. Industrial engineering staff teams, who monitor rail, bus, and facilities workmanship, are located in South Shops.

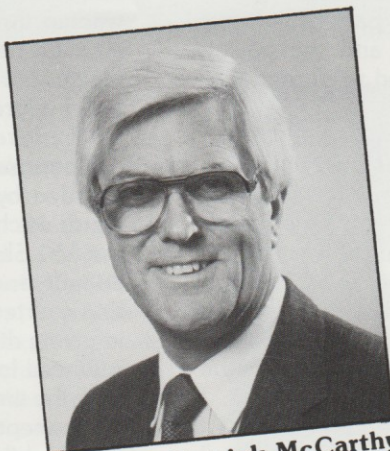
Before his appointment, Haenisch was superintendent, Rail Vehicle Shops. He joined CTA in 1973 as a methods & standards technician.

A 1969 graduate of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Haenisch holds a Bachelor of Science degree in industrial technology and an associate degree in automotive technology.

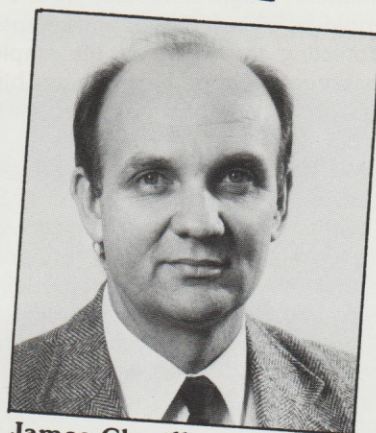
Nine other promotions were also announced by Millonas. The appointees are **Kendrick D.G. Bisset**, director, Power & Way Engineering; **John Hruby**, director, Rail Maintenance; **Frank Venezia**, director, Equipment Engineering; **Roy Smith**, superintendent, Power & Way; **Patrick McCarthy**, superintendent, Track & Structures Design; **Mark Dundovich**, superintendent, Rail Vehicle Shops; **William Haworth**, superintendent, Technical Services; **James Haworth**, supervisor, Technical Services, and **James Chmill**, supervisor, Administration and Budget.



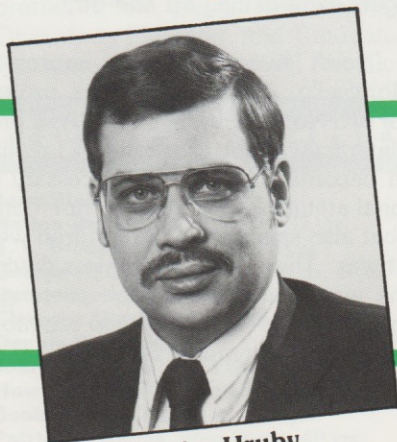
George Haenisch



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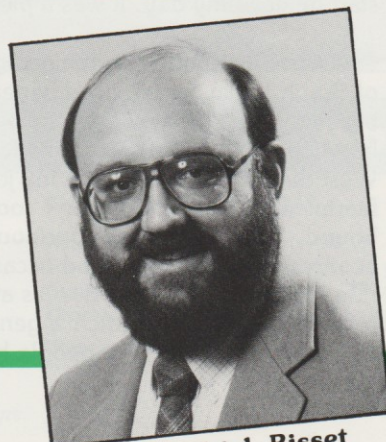
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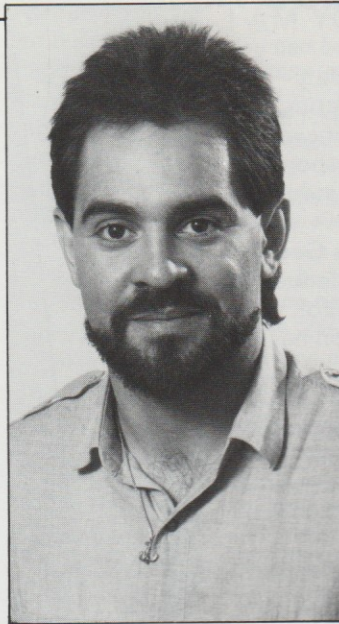
**Lowell Wilson** (Beverly garage) was called "person of the year" by Sandra Lowe, of East 102nd Street, who regularly rides his No. 103 West 103rd bus. "His interaction with the public is always warm, courteous, friendly and helpful. I've never heard him snap at someone for asking directions. He takes time to explain the new fare system and use of the fare box to senior citizens. He seems to really care about our safety when he tells us to 'Watch your step.' I realize that dealing with the public can be nerve-wracking. It takes a special kind of person to rise above people's moods and attitudes."



**Earl Terry** (North Avenue garage) is appreciated by Nathaniel Snow, of North Lake Shore Drive, for his handling of an early morning No. 77 Belmont bus. "As a daily passenger on this run, I am pleased to report that Mr. Terry is a very popular, very competent operator. He is consistently friendly, courteous, and fair; and he also maintains a tight schedule. He is a master at dealing with would-be chiselers and argumentative patrons, always protecting the rights of his employer and the paying passengers. I hope he continues his good work, and that he will receive appropriate recognition."

**William Miles** (Beverly garage) was praised for his courtesy as operator of a No. 106 103rd/106th bus by Claudia Hansen, of Langley Avenue. "This driver deserves praise. He was so very polite, and it was evident he enjoyed his work. As I boarded, I received a warm smile and cheery 'Good Morning.' And each passenger who followed received the same greeting, young or old, black or white. It was most refreshing! Departing was the same. It was 'Have a nice day' and 'Watch your step.' I will never forget this gentleman driver, and the beautiful start he gave my day. It was a pleasure riding with him."

**Cedric Johnson** (Kedzie garage) made Anne Barton, of South Laflin Street, "feel better about the West Side" because of the way he operated a No. 20 Madison bus. "I had heard things that made me fearful of working on the West Side, but that is where my job took me. Weary and fearful after a day's work, I took his bus homeward-bound. This driver was courteous to everyone as they boarded the bus. I have had occasion again and again to ride his bus, and when I do, his attitude is the same. It is refreshing to sit and watch a genuinely pleasant person enjoying his job and the people he serves."



**Jimmy Rivera** (West Section) was commended by Joseph Kalmanek, of Cicero, "for his exemplary performance" as conductor of a Douglas-O'Hare train. "As the train had been signalled to depart, and I was scurrying from the ticket office expecting not to be able to board, since the doors were already closed, my day suddenly brightened! The doors reopened, I boarded and found a seat. Your conductor listened to my tale of woe about fares, and explained the new fare structure, the transfer changes, etc., in detail. His distinct and concise pronunciation at all stops was an added plus."

**Robert Surita** (77th Street garage) was complimented by Trula Jones, of Prairie Avenue, for his handling of a 79th Street bus. "He is the most courteous, patient, pleasant and polite bus driver I have ever ridden with. If he sees you coming for the bus, he will wait. He always has a pleasant greeting when you board, and will pull to the curb to make boarding or exiting easy without wading through puddles of water or snowbanks of ice. And he never fails to wish you a good day when you reach your destination. It is a pleasure to ride with him, and I appreciate the courteous service he renders."

**Rosemary Hoskins** (North Park garage) was applauded by Dana Johnson, who works in an office on North Michigan Avenue. "I am a regular passenger on the 151 Sheridan bus, and I was very impressed with her attitude and professionalism. She not only was cheerful and courteous to every passenger, but she was very clear in giving directions and ensuring that every stop was announced loudly enough for everyone to hear. She even took the time to announce the transfer locations. She also was exceptionally careful and alert to any potential problems while passengers were getting on and off."

**Tyrone Malloy** (North Avenue garage) impressed Lena Floyd, of Monticello Avenue, with his professionalism as operator of a No. 66 Chicago bus. "As a professional having to interact with the public daily, I realize how stressful it can become, yet it is still necessary to maintain a professional attitude. This driver not only called every stop, but also specified what hundred west that particular street was. There was no reckless driving or speeding, and he was courteous to each passenger who boarded and exited his bus. I would like to see more of your employees provide this type of service."



# Plant tour of the year

American Materials Management Society's 1985 "Plant Tour of the Year" award was presented to CTA's Materials Management department, and was based on a tour of Skokie Shops by AMMS representatives.

Shown accepting the award are (from left) **Charles Ripke**, special projects analyst; **Mike Yedinak**, supervisor, Material Operations; **Edward Tobin**, manager, Materials Management/Purchasing Agent; **Bill Roman**, director, Material Control/Stores, and **Jim Zazula**, supervisor, Stores-North. James Alexander (third from left), executive director, AMMS, presented the award.

The tour was developed and coordinated by Ripke and Yedinak. It included a technical session, as well as a slide presentation which was developed in the Communications section of Public Affairs by training services clerk **Ron Scott**, and communications clerk **Tony Ambut**.



Included among organizations competing for the "Plant Tour of the Year" award were the W.W. Granger Company, Clark Equipment Company, and Jorgensen Steel, three of the nation's largest industrial suppliers.

Dedicated to spreading knowledge of distribution, warehousing, material handling and inven-

tory control to the hundreds of professionals in warehousing and related jobs, the AMMS was organized in Chicago in 1971, and grew out of the International Materials Management Society which was formed during the post World War II years.

## Thanks for a job WELL DONE!

*Employees who have received Commendations from the public.*

**Arthur Alpert**, Howard/Kimball  
**Hermino Ayala**, North Park

**Nadine Brewer**, Limits  
**Ulysses Buck**, Archer  
**Philip Buscemi**, Howard/Kimball

**Jean Case**, North Park  
**George Calhoun**, 69th Street  
**Joyce Carbins-Sayles**, Agents, South  
**Ilda Castellanos-Wadde**, North Park  
**Lovie Chamblis**, Agents, West  
**Tyree Cobb, Jr.**, Limits  
**Dewitt Coleman**, Archer  
**Jacqueline Cousin**, 69th Street  
**Jerry Crawford**, Archer

**Victor Davila**, North Park  
**Vincent Dawson**, Limits  
**Arthur Deluna**, North Avenue  
**Jose Diaz**, Limits  
**Charles Dortch**, Beverly  
**Robert Duslak**, Forest Glen

**James Fitzgerald**, Limits

**Albert Grady**, 77th Street  
**Jerry Green**, North Avenue

**William Hasse**, West Rail Dist.  
**Robert Hampton**, 77th Street  
**Ricky Hawk**, North Park

**Lee Hazlewood, Jr.**, 77th Street  
**James Hill**, Affirmative Action

**Sanders Ingram**, Kedzie

**Darrell Jarrett**, Jefferson Park  
**John Jimenez**, North Park  
**Katie Jones**, Archer

**Anthony Lag**, Limits  
**Paul Lane**, Douglas/Congress  
**Alexander Larkin**, 77th Street  
**Phillip Larry**, Limits  
**Clearchie Lawrence**, 77th Street  
**Neal Lesley**, Archer

**Daniel Martin**, Forest Glen  
**Ephriam Mauldin**, 69th Street  
**James Melton**, North Park  
**Luis Mendez**, North Avenue  
**Jerry Miller**, North Park  
**Eric Minor**, Ashland, 61st, 95th  
**Harold Moore**, Bus District D

**Ernest Neal Jr.**, North Avenue  
**Robert Nelson**, Jefferson Park

**Willie Owens**, Beverly  
**Dianna Owens**, North Park

**Thomas Parker**, North Park  
**Daniel Poelinitz**, Forest Glen  
**Melzia Pritchett**, Beverly

**Billy Ragsdale**, 77th Street  
**Ramon Rodriguez**, North Park  
**Charles Rutledge**, Limits

**Betty Samuel**, 77th Street  
**Edwin Serrano**, Agents, West  
**Tuesday Simpson**, Limits  
**Freddie Sims, Jr.**, North Avenue  
**William Smith**, 77th Street  
**Carl Smith**, Limits  
**Frederick Smith**, Jefferson Park  
**Walter Smith III**, North Park  
**Franklin Spring**, 77th Street  
**Frank Staszak**, Archer  
**Evelyn Stofer**, Agents, West

**John Vogt**, Beverly

**James Walker**, Archer  
**James Ward**, Forest Park  
**Leon Washington**, 77th Street  
**Shirley Watson**, Agents, North  
**Conrad Weil**, Forest Glen  
**Delois West**, 69th Street  
**Larry Whitehead**, Beverly  
**Lowell Wilson**, Beverly  
**Charles Wilson**, 77th Street

**Anthony Zenner**, North Park  
**Denice Zillender**, 69th Street  
**John Zupko**, Howard/Kimball



## Two new departments formed in Finance reorganization

Two new departments, Financial Reporting and Analysis and Accounting Systems and Operations, have been formed in the Finance Division, **Daniel R. Perk**, Deputy Executive Director, Finance, recently announced.

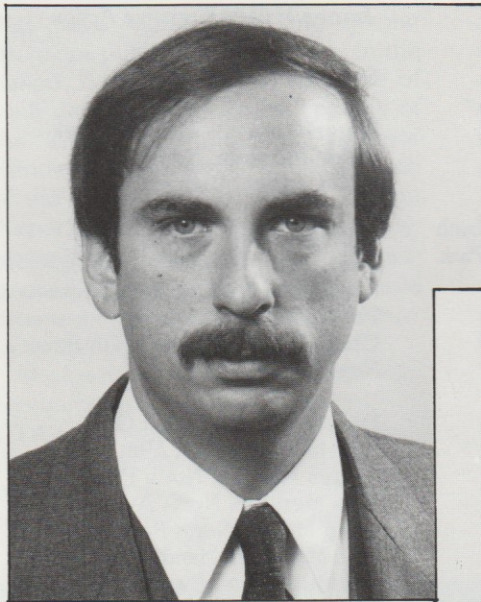
Heading the Accounting Systems and Operations Department is Manager **William Moore**, former assistant comptroller, Data Center Liaison. Moore joined CTA in 1975 as a Data Center business methods analyst. He is a 1975 graduate of the University of Illinois/Chicago where he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting. He became a certified public accountant in 1976.

Other promotions include **John Cannon**, who serves as director, Accounting Operations. Cannon joined the Chicago Rapid Transit Company (a CTA predecessor) in 1941 as a clerk. He is a 1965 graduate of Loyola University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a minor in accounting. From 1969 to 1972, Cannon was on the board of governors of the Chicago Chapter of the Institution of Internal Auditors.

In addition, **Gerald Kurowski** was named director, Payroll Operations. He was previously superintendent, Payroll Operations. Kurowski joined CTA in 1973 as an engineering trainee. He is a 1971 graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in accounting and a minor in economics.

Other promotions within the Accounting Systems and Operations department include **Brian Jakubowski**, superintendent, Payroll Accounting; **Dennis McFadden**, superintendent, Materials and Payables Accounting; **Eugene Refakes**, superintendent, Accounting Systems, and **Anthony Scardina**, supervisor, Payables.

Heading the Financial Reporting and Analysis department is Manager **Virginia Wendorf**. Ms. Wendorf formerly was director of Financial Reporting and Analysis. She joined CTA in 1979 as an internal auditor. She earned a bachelor's of science degree in business administration in 1975 from Roosevelt University, and became a certified public accountant in 1976.



**William Moore**



**Virginia Wendorf**



Promotions also include **James Rose**, director, Accounting and Financial Analysis. Rose previously served as a senior financial analyst in Financial Services. He joined CTA in 1979 as an auditor in Internal Auditing. Rose earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting in 1974 from Roosevelt University. Two years later he earned a master's degree in accounting from the same university. He became a certified public accountant in 1975.

Other appointments include **Patrick Clifford**, director, Grant and Property Accounting; **John Harrington**, superintendent, Grant Accounting; **Vernon Palmore**, superintendent, Property Accounting; **Janice (Jae) Rowell**, superintendent, Financial Analysis; **Gerald Wilson**, superintendent, Operations Review; **Lee Cherry**, supervisor, Field Operations; **John Gandor**, supervisor, Grant Cost Control; **Vantanee Gosrisirikul**, supervisor, Grant Reporting; **James Haase**, supervisor, Property Cost Control, and **Richard Koprowski**, supervisor, Internal Operations.



**John Cannon**



**Gerald Kurowski**



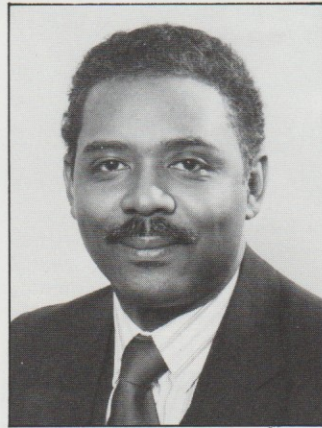
**Brian Jakubowski**



**Eugene Refakes**



**James Rose**



**Vernon Palmore**



**Janice (Jae) Rowell**



**Gerald Wilson**

## Culture Bus opens 10th season



CTA will open its 10th season of Culture Bus service on Sunday, May 11, operating on Sundays and holidays through September 28. This year each of the three Culture Bus routes will have a new attraction added to the popular schedule of Culture Bus stops.

The North Route will make a new stop at the south end of the Michigan Avenue Bridge over the Chicago River, where riders with Culture Bus Supertransfers will enjoy discounts on sight-seeing boat rides offered by both Mercury and Wendella Boat Tours.

Greek Town will be the new attraction on the West Route. Buses will stop at Van Buren and Halsted, and riders may enjoy Grecian cuisine and entertainment at various restaurants on Halsted between Monroe and Van Buren.

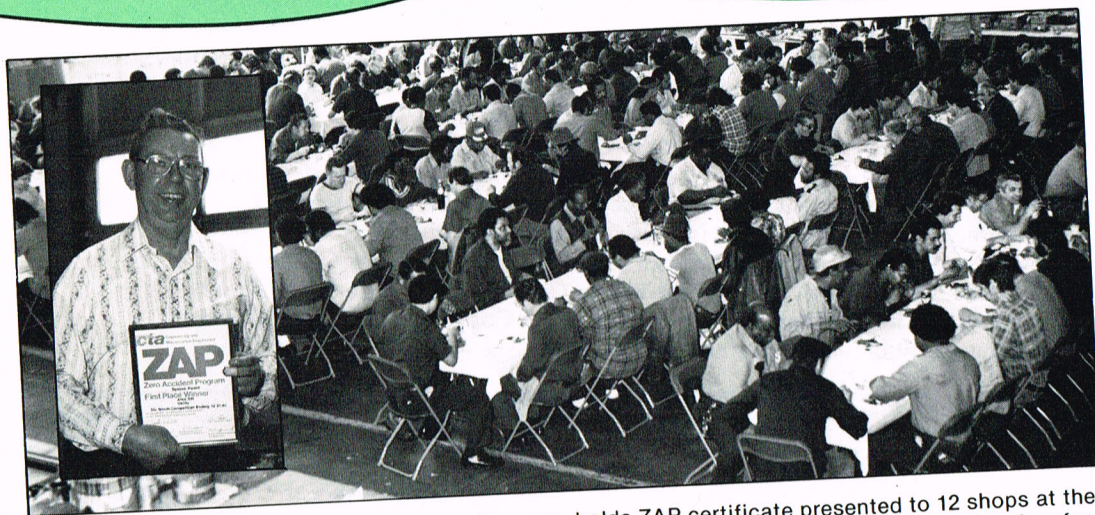
When the Culture Bus South stops at the Oriental Institute at

58th and University Avenue, Culture Bus riders may also visit the Renaissance Society. This gallery of contemporary art is located in Cobb Hall, the oldest academic building on the University of Chicago Campus, just south of the University Administration Building at 58th and Ellis.

All three Culture Bus routes, each lasting between 1¼ and 1½ hours, will continue to converge at the Art Institute. The service will once again utilize articulated buses staffed by commentators who tell about points of interest along the routes.

Premium fare for the Culture Bus is \$2.50 for adults, \$1.25 for senior citizens and children. Culture Bus Supertransfers allow unlimited riding on all three routes and unlimited riding on all CTA service until 3 a.m. the following morning.





**Ralph Kean** (inset), 77th Street Utility shop foreman, holds ZAP certificate presented to 12 shops at the maintenance garage. Workers were also treated to a catered luncheon for achieving six months of performance without a maintenance accident.



Taking a first place award along with the catered lunch for sustained performance for six months without injuries were crews at 54th Street terminal. Displaying the prized ZAP certificate is day foreman **Mike Keating**. Others are (from left) **David Kowalski**, supervisor, Rail Vehicle Terminals; **Craig Rogers**, **Richard Lorimer**, superintendent, Rail Vehicle Terminals, **Steve Jackson**, and **Rodrigo Alcantara**.



**Felix Velinske**, Kimball day foreman, is surrounded by his crew as he displays the coveted Zero Accident Program certificate awarded Kimball in the fourth quarter. Kimball terminal was a winner of the six-month competition luncheon.



It was a proud moment for Archer garage's maintenance crew as Maintenance Safety Supervisor **Jim Dudley** presented the southsiders with a first place ZAP certificate. **Chuck Kubal** (left), day foreman, holds the certificate with Dudley.

## AWARDS

### Five maintenance locations Win ZAP's catered lunch

CTA's fourth quarter 1985 Zero Accident Program for maintenance garages and terminals ended with nine work locations receiving first place honors. Among them were five winners of the coveted catered luncheon awarded for six consecutive months of accident-free performance.

Catered lunches went to personnel at 54th Street and Kimball rail maintenance terminals, Forest Glen garage, 12 areas within Bus Shops at 77th Street, and 13 areas within Rail Shops at Skokie.

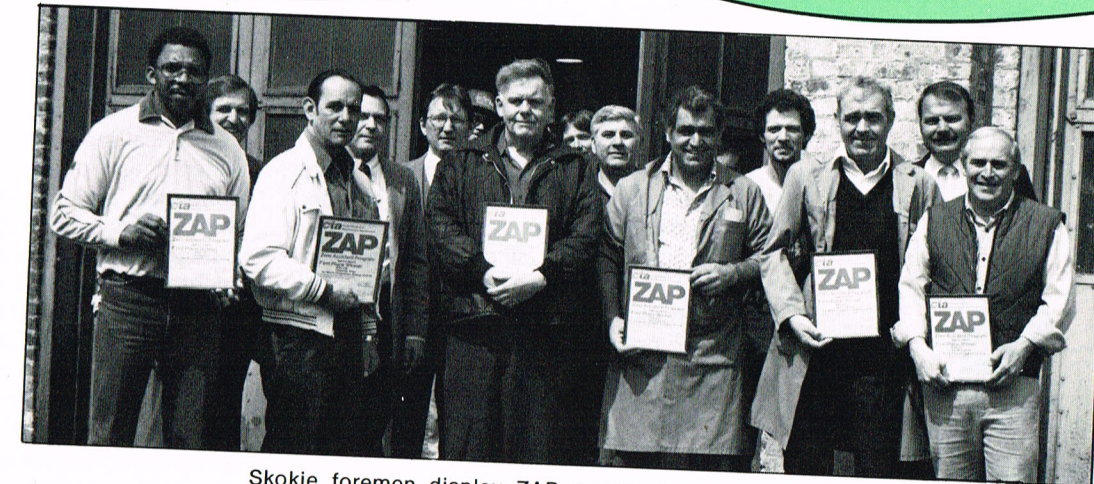
Winners in the Bus Shops competition were the Body, Paint, Upholstery, and Utility Shops. Others were Shop Service, Converter, Electrical Units Rebuild, Inspection, Engine Rebuild, Machine, Radiator, and Print Shops.

Achievers of the catered luncheon at Skokie were the Carpenter, Paint, Machine, Truck, and Axle Shops. Other areas included Armature, Shop Service, Motor Line, Vehicle Wiring, Blacksmith/Welding, Degreasing, Sub-Mechanical, and Sub-Electrical Shops.

Rail terminals and garage locations which have no injuries for a six-month period are automatically winners of the catered luncheon, Safety Supervisor **James F. Dudley** said. Dudley also said where there is no zero frequency rate, the garage or terminal with the lowest frequency rate is selected for recognition.

Dudley said the selection of winners is based on the standard calculated injury rate with handicap calculated for the six-month period. Other incentive awards for safety performance include jackets and caps which are designed with the CTA logo, tie pins, travel mugs and gift certificates.

Other first place winners during the fourth quarter, but not recipients of the catered luncheon were Howard/Linden terminals, 61/Racine terminals, 98th terminal, and Archer garage. Dudley said all of the first place rail terminals for the fourth quarter had accident-free reports.

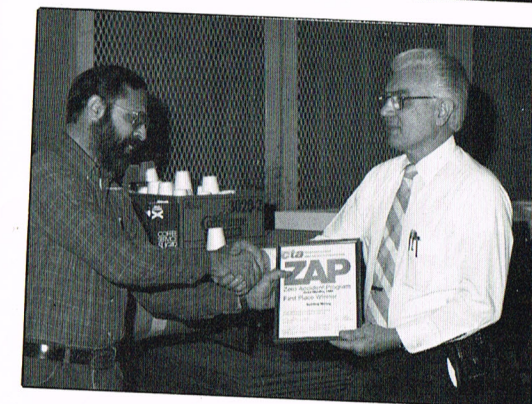
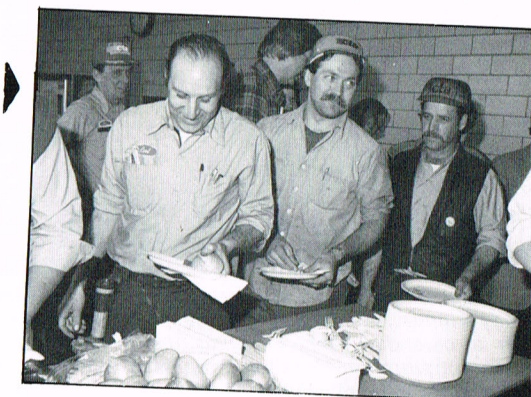


Skokie foremen display ZAP certificates earned by their respective departments. Standing are (from left) **Clarence Mills**, Armature; **Frank Vukovics**, unit supervisor; **Gary Olsen**, Carpentry; **Matt Spatzek**, unit supervisor; **Mark Dundovich**, superintendent, Rail Vehicle Shops; **Bill Meany**, shop inspector; **Vito Pontrelli**, and **Muzio Ficarella**, electrical worker foreman; **Marty Venticinqu**, machinist foreman; **Pat Harnett**, electrical worker foreman; former Superintendent of Rail Vehicle Shops **George Haenisch** who is now director, Industrial Engineering and Quality Control at Washington garage, and **Frank Porcaro**, machinist foreman.

The food was plentiful for maintenance personnel at Forest Glen whose first place recognition in the fourth quarter ZAP contest included a catered luncheon, celebrating six months without a maintenance accident.



Day foreman **Cortelius Williams** (right) takes charge of Howard/Linden terminal's first place certificate with **Len Davenport** (left), supervisor of Rail Vehicle Terminals. **Jack Hruby**, director, Rail Maintenance, is in the background.



West Shops building wiring foreman **Al Aronson** (left), accepts first place ZAP certificate from **Frank Montifalco**, unit supervisor, escalator, sheet metal and maintenance foreman.



# ESPP, Striving for Excellence are top incentive programs



Perhaps the most safety-conscious program conducted to date by the CTA Operations Division is the Employee Safety Performance Program (ESPP).

This year-round competition, which began in 1982, fosters safe operating practices, and encourages the active participation of all operating personnel. ESPP is the primary avenue for promoting communications between the operating employee, who is generally the first to encounter problems, and management.

ESPP is very competitive. Bus and rail personnel and ticket agents are divided into teams in their respective locations. Each team is comprised of approximately 60 people, with a

balance of seniority on each team ranging from as much as 40 years to less than one year of service.

The competition is based on the numerical measurement of safety (accidents) and performance (such as attendance and violations). The team with the lowest combined score in both categories is the winner, and the recipient of a special recognition award. Recognition awards are presented monthly, quarterly, and annually.

**Elonzo Hill**, manager, Training/Instruction, noted that the Employee Safety Performance Program has not only increased the operating employees' awareness of rules and regulations, but it has also reduced the number of accidents and violations. Employees are also assured that their concerns are being heard. Their suggestions for improvements are given careful consideration, and are often accepted and implemented, such as relocation of bus stops, bus shelters, and public information signs, the filling of pot holes along bus routes, improvement of bus routing, schedule adjustments along bus and rapid transit routes, the improvement of lighting and heating output in ticket agent booths, and the repair of rapid transit destination signs.

Striving for Excellence, the newest, and the *creme de la creme* of special recognition programs for operating employees, was created in 1984 by Deputy Executive Director/Operations **Harry Reddrick**. In 1985, the program was expanded to honor both operating and maintenance employees with superior work records. Last year, Striving for Excellence honored 880 employees.

The honorees recognized in last year's Striving for Excellence program were required to have superior work records with no misses, no chargeable complaints, no accidents, and no violations or suspensions. These and other criteria help management select its most outstanding employees for a gala evening which includes a banquet, the presentation of certificates, and an evening of entertainment and dancing.

Plans for the 1986 Striving for Excellence program are already underway. This year the event is set for September 13 at the Condesa del Mar, a popular supper club.



This North Park garage Employee Safety Performance Program team displays the garage plaque of quarterly winners. Members of the team also received a tie clasp for taking top honors twice in a calendar year. Enjoying the moment are (from left) Assistant Superintendent, Bus Instruction **Mel Link**, **Francisco Barreto**, **Jesus Fernandez**, Bus Instructor **James Thaxton**, **William Ramos**, **Manuel Ramirez**, ESPP Chairman **Norman Heron**, and **Miguel Concepcion**.



Rail service winners at Kimball are equally proud of their ESPP achievements. The competitive spirit here is shared by (from left) Rail Instructor **Joe Nash**, **Mitchell Gray**, **Eddie Woodward**, Area Superintendent **Lester Racker**, **Rudolph Dillon**, Assistant Superintendent **Rick White**, **Vickie Bledsoe**, Superintendent **Nick Blaino**, Assistant Superintendent **Cynthia Florence**, Assistant Superintendent **William Miller**, **Orlando Mojica**, and **James Carey**.



# Heroics and good ideas merit "Day in CTA" honors

Four bus operators, two rail conductors, and two District "A" bus supervisors were recent "Day in CTA" honorees in recognition of their exceptional job performance.

Forest Glen Operator **John Christner** was recognized for his alert response which led to the apprehension of a young graffiti artist who was later ordered to clean buses defaced with graffiti. The youth was caught writing on the outside of Christner's bus as passengers were leaving the vehicle in the 1700 block of Addison Street.

Operator **Eugene White** earned kudos for his willingness to assist a female bus operator who was being attacked by a male rider while her bus was stopped at the curb near Garfield Boulevard. White apprehended the assailant with the help of a University of Chicago police officer, and held the attacker until members of the Chicago Police Department arrived.

Archer Operator **Neal Lesley** was at Soldier Field when he saw a woman trying to change a flat tire. He borrowed a lug wrench from a city truck parked nearby and changed the tire. The grateful lady wrote a complimentary letter to CTA's manager of Operations Personnel.

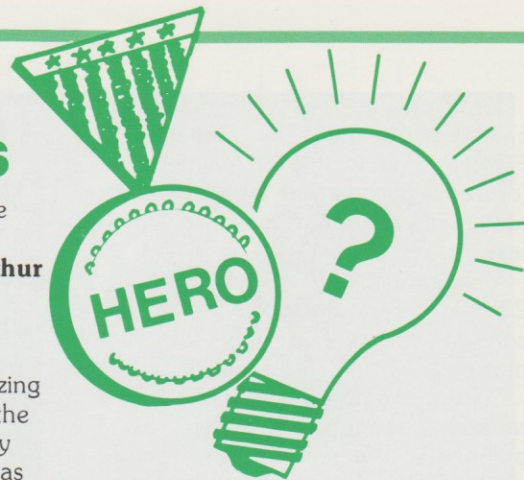
Bus Operator **William Ramos** earned special recognition for his alert reaction to an attempted robbery in which he was threatened by a gunman aboard his bus. Operator Ramos disarmed one member of the suspected robbery trio who then fled his bus. Ramos also gave police information which quickly led to apprehension of two of the men.

Douglas Rail Conductor **Frank Foster** was hailed for his rescue of a 73-year old neighbor man from a demolished and burning building after an explosion which followed a gas leak.

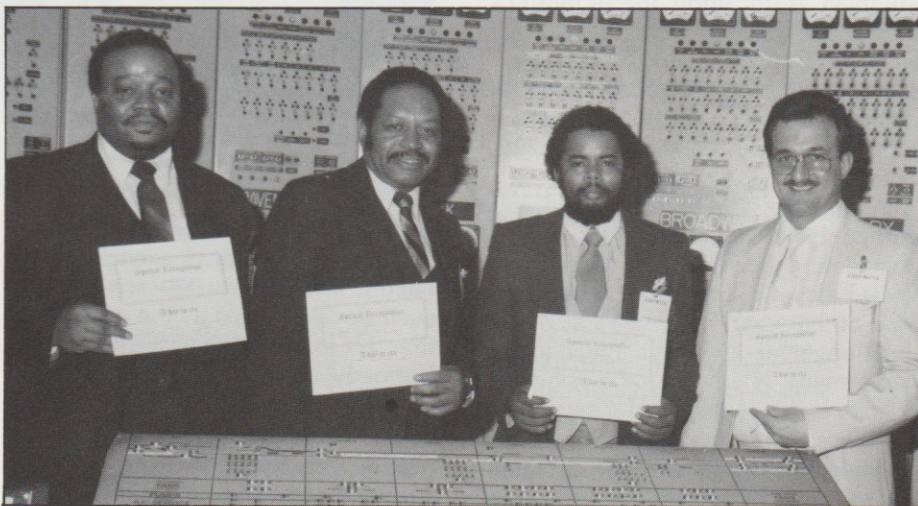
District "A" bus Supervisor **Louis Williams** received recognition for providing sanctuary to a youth who was being attacked by a group of young people in the 95th Street rapid transit terminal. Supervisor Williams is credited with defusing a possible volatile incident.

Recent changes in the CTA fare structure also led to the special recognition of Rail Conductor **Arthur Alpert** of Kimball terminal, and District "A" bus supervisor **John Kenna**.

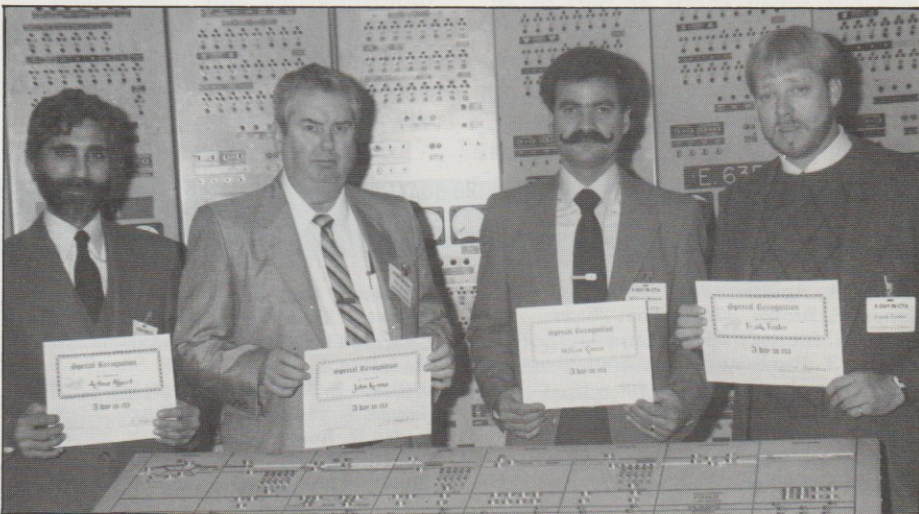
Alpert was honored for recognizing the potential problems ahead for the new fare structure. He spent a day off soon after the new structure was announced to share his concern and ideas with the Training/Instruction Department, and to offer suggestions for solving many of the potential fare collection problems. Some of Alpert's ideas have already been implemented, and have resulted in improved service to riders, and a savings to CTA.



The bi-weekly pass program for riders which became effective March 27, is an idea first suggested by John Kenna in February 1983, three years prior to being adopted by the CTA board. Kenna's suggestion received no recognition at that time since the Employee Suggestion Plan had already been suspended.



"Day in CTA" honors were earned by (above, from left) Neal Lesley, Louis Williams, Eugene White, John Christner, (below) Arthur Alpert, John Kenna, William Ramos, and Frank Foster.





On April 1, Tom Wolgemuth exchanged his office as manager of Facilities Engineering & Maintenance for a college classroom where he plans to become a student, and then a professor.

Wolgemuth, 47, retired from his 25-year career in public transit and considers himself a very fortunate man.

"Not many people can make such a radical change in careers as I planned," Wolgemuth said before closing his CTA career. "I assure you I have not made this important decision quickly; it came after much soul searching on my part and discussions with the members of my family." He took a couple of puffs on his familiar pipe, and relit it.

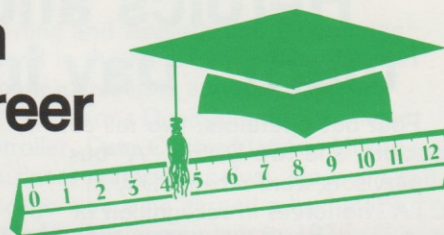
"My wife, Mary, and our three children expressed their ideas on my proposal. All said in effect, 'Go for it.' My plan is to study for a master's degree in business administration at Northern Illinois University for the next two years. After I've earned that degree, I want to teach in that field in a college near my home in Glen Ellyn. Sounds easy. Let's hope it is."

In January, 1961, Wolgemuth had earned his bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind. From January to May of that year, he worked as a student engineer in CTA's Engineering department. He then took a two-year military leave of absence for service as an officer with the Army Corps of Engineers in France.

Upon returning from the Army, he qualified and worked as an "L" motorman and conductor. He also worked in rail terminals, bus garages, and rail and bus repair shops as part of an orientation and training program.

Looking back on his CTA career, Wolgemuth said he was pleased to have been a part of, or at least witnessed, many of the great developments

## Tom Wolgemuth preparing for career as professor



**Tom Wolgemuth** displays one of his many unique retirement gifts, a three-dimensional inkpen drawing of CTA buses and a city-scape, presented by **Frank Venezia**, director, Equipment Engineering, in behalf of Bus Maintenance.

that have made CTA one of the premiere public transit agencies in the nation, if not the world. He spoke of such developments as the opening of the "L" routes in the Dan Ryan and Kennedy expressways, the extension of the Kennedy "L" route to O'Hare Airport, implementation of the highly-praised cab signaling system for improved service and safety, and reconstruction of the tracks and structures throughout the system.

Wolgemuth numbered various reorganizations and "fine tuning" of CTA's staff that have taken place over the years as noteworthy developments important to CTA, though not visible to the riding public.

"All of these plans, past, present,

and those of the future, have had, and will need, a dedicated staff to make everything work. There are thousands of employees from management level to operating personnel and maintenance personnel, who make 110 per cent contributions to their jobs because of the satisfaction of accomplishment they enjoy.

"Working for CTA is a 'fish bowl' atmosphere for most of us. It's a lifestyle, a workstyle, if you prefer, CTA personnel have grown to accept.

"I will always admire, and be so grateful, more than I can say, to all of the people who have triumphed over this difficult environment and continue to do their critically-important jobs day in and day out."

## Retirements

**Manuel L. Aguilar**, West Shops, 8 yrs.  
**Ernest E. Brown**, 77th Station, 28 yrs.  
**Valon A. Brown**, 77th Station, 30 yrs.  
**Eugene T. Brudney**, No. Pk. Sta., 34 yrs.  
**Joe J. Cecala**, Finance, 38 yrs.  
**Carroll L. Dalton**, West Shops, 25 yrs.  
**Dorothy M. Doljanin**, West Shops, 33 yrs.  
**Raymond J. Fay**, Kedzie Sta., 31 yrs.  
**Joseph E. Folken**, West Sect., 26 yrs.  
**George J. Gart**, Limits Sta., 39 yrs.

**Norbert J. Gewelke**, West Shops, 43 yrs.  
**Ernest E. Guedel Jr.**, For. Glen Sta., 25 yrs.  
**Charles W. Holley**, Beverly Sta., 33 yrs.  
**Madaline J. Martin**, No. Pk. Sta., 7 yrs.  
**William E. McCoy**, No. Ave. Sta., 26 yrs.  
**James W. McPhee**, West Shops, 33 yrs.  
**Pedro R. Ramos**, Mad/Wabash, 29 yrs.  
**Royal E. Reed**, 77th Station, 35 yrs.  
**Wyvern Thompson**, Beverly Sta., 25 yrs.  
**Michael B. Vasquez**, North Sect., 37 yrs.

### disability retirements

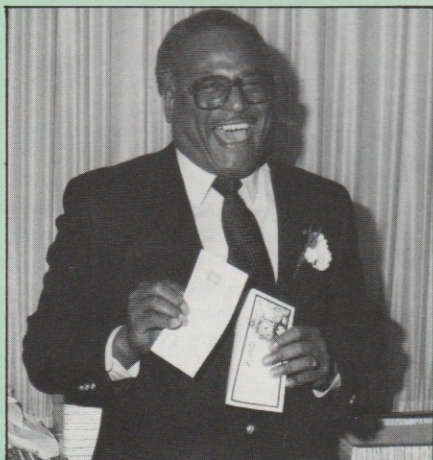
**Felicita Borges**, For. Glen Sta., 10 yrs.  
**Milton Harmon**, Kedzie Sta., 19 yrs.  
**John S. Lewis**, Kedzie Sta., 15 yrs.  
**Girle A. Taylor**, Beverly Sta., 10 yrs.  
**Fletcher Young**, Beverly Sta., 21 yrs.

## March



## Retires to make beer

**George Chandler, Sr.** (left), a West Shops machinist, is greeted by his iron worker son, **George, Jr.**, also of West Shops, during the April 1 celebration of the senior Chandler's retirement. The 65-year old Chandler joined CTA on September 15, 1980, and is retiring to join forces with an Eau Claire, WI firm, with plans to open a commercial brewery in the Chicago area, where Chandler hopes to sell his "Ozark Beer." A beer maker for many years, Chandler's brew took third place in the Homebrewers and Tasters Guild tasting at Madison, WI in March. Chandler said of his short CTA career upgrading shops and machinery, "It has been very interesting, and a lot of fun."



## Record Center coordinator retires

Management Services Record Center Coordinator **Andrew J. Mosley** holds a gift certificate presented by co-workers at a breakfast which was held at the Merchandise Mart M&M Club, and given in Mosley's honor on the occasion of his April 1 retirement after 32 years with CTA. He began his career as a bus operator on Devon Avenue. Subsequently, he

served at Archer Avenue and at 52nd Street, until 1968, when he was named records center coordinator. In 1983, Mosley was among finalists to receive the Superior Public Service certificate in recognition of his outstanding employment service. He is Senior Vice Commander of Dorie Miller Post 915, American Legion, and is a candidate for the office of Commander, First Division of the American Legion. The World War II Army veteran plans to continue his Chicago residency in retirement, and devote time to his service with the American Legion.

## Family celebrations

**Joseph Cecala** (center), supervisor, Operations Field Review, a CTA employee for 39 years, celebrates his March 1 retirement with friends and co-workers, most of them members of his family. Sharing the occasion are (from left) father-in-law Joseph Ritrovato, Sr., a retired Lawndale garage supervisor, Cecala's wife, Mrs. Carmela Cecala, formerly with the CTA Training department; Deputy Executive Director/Finance Dan Perk who presented Cecala with his retirement packet; sister-in-law Rosemarie Ritrovato of the Treasury department, and brother-in-law Anthony Ritrovato, Claims department. Behind Cecala are another brother-in-law, Joseph Ritrovato, Jr., Schedules Section, Operations Planning, and Ritrovato's wife, Mrs. Rita Ritrovato, Operations Field Review.



## Retirements

**April**

**Jerry Blake**, North Park, 42 yrs.  
**Marion Brittain Jr.**, 77th St., 32 yrs.  
**S. L. Brooks**, West Shops, 28 yrs.  
**George H. Chandler**, West Shops, 5 yrs.  
**Harper Donahue**, 77th St., 32 yrs.  
**Clarence Garski**, North Park, 26 yrs.  
**Dennis K. Gibson**, 95th St., 34 yrs.  
**John J. Gordon**, North Sect., 25 yrs.  
**Howard G. Helfert**, South Shops, 25 yrs.  
**Booker T. Henry**, Beverly, 30 yrs.  
**Patrick J. Kenny**, West Shops, 40 yrs.

**Mitchell Kitzman**, Engr. & Mtce. Equip., 15 yrs.  
**Andrew J. Mosley**, West Shops, 31 yrs.  
**Raul B. Navarrete**, Archer, 25 yrs.  
**Patrick J. O'Shea**, West Shops, 37 yrs.  
**Dorothy M. Parker**, West Sect., 38 yrs.  
**Edmond Slomowicz**, West Shops, 17 yrs.  
**\*William J. Sorenson**, 69th St., 26 yrs.  
**Richard D. Vieth**, West Shops, 28 yrs.  
**Mack E. Williams**, South Sect., 32 yrs.  
**Thomas L. Wolgemuth**, Engr. & Mtce. Fac., 25 yrs.

### disability retirements

**William R. Bailey**, Beverly, 10 yrs.  
**Josephine Crouse**, West Sect., 14 yrs.  
**Gussie L. Jones Sr.**, 69th St., 22 yrs.  
**Thomas N. Moseley**, Limits, 23 yrs.

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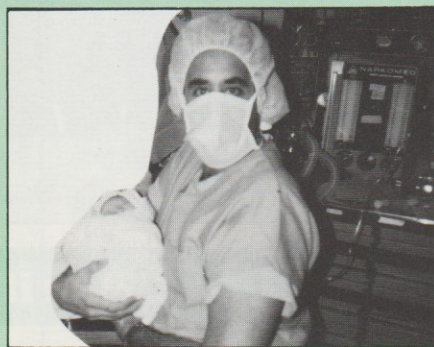


## General Office

**Helene (Bunny) Greiman**, a shining star in the CTA's Promotional Services section, has hit the bunny trail to Denver. She left CTA in a blaze of balloons brought in by a gorilla, tons of cake, other goodies and gifts on January 31, 1986. We will all miss her sparkling personality, and wish her all the good luck one person can handle...Public Affairs' **Carol Ruggerio**, a professional management trainee, got engaged on February 7, 1986 to the lucky Tony Vangorp. Carol told this reporter the wedding is to be sometime in September, 1986. Best wishes to this very happy couple...**Marcelo Reyes** of Internal Audit is a very happy father because of a very lovely 1986 Northeastern University graduate. His daughter



Pamela, an elementary education major, is also planning to earn a master's degree in Spanish and English. Pamela, you sound like the kind of teacher the schools need. Congratulations to you and Marcelo...Right there



in the delivery room is **Robert A. Gaines**, Director, Public Affairs Communications section. Bob was with his wife Judith when their daughter, Mallory Lynn, was born. Dad also took pictures of the delivery, Judith and the baby. If you don't believe it stop in at his office and see the pictures. Mom, Dad and baby are all do-

ing fine...**Father Tom Twomey**, the retired CTA maintenance department employee who was ordained a Roman Catholic priest five years ago at age 70, has retired again. For two years, Father Tom had served in the diocese of Albuquerque, N.M., a parish covering hundreds of square miles in the mountainous area of New Mexico and Arizona, when illness forced his retirement. His present address is the Royal Garden Apts., Apt. 101A, 3020 N. 14th st., Phoenix, Az., 85014...Congratulations to **Jack Sowchin** (Publications), **Sharon Bosan** (Duplicating), and **Don Bruno** (Passenger Controls and Graphics) who won first, second, and third place (respectively) season championship trophies in Solo II precision driving competition sponsored by the Sports Car Club of America...**Maria Gonzales**, Customer Assistance secretary, is pleased about the fifth place honors Foreman High School's drill team received in the Fourth District competition on March 8 with 13 other high schools. Maria's son, Ernesto, Jr., a freshman, is a member of the team. Ernesto is also a member of the color guard which competed March 15...**Steven** and **Louis Wool**, sons of **Leon Wool**, associate general attorney, corporate, were recently honored at a Winter Sports Banquet at Lawrence College (Appleton, WI), for their outstanding performance as members of the school's basketball team. Both had also been star players on the Evanston High School basketball team. Louis has been designated co-captain of Lawrence's basketball team for the 1986-87 season, and he also received an honorable mention in the Midwest Conference selection of outstanding basketball players, 1985-86...**Terry A. Hocin**, director, Marketing Services, and **Elonzo Hill**, manager, Operations Training/Instruction, were among panel participants at the American Public Transportation Association's Western Education and Training Conference in San Jose, California, April 12-16. Hocin was moderator of the April 14 panel on The Marketing Exchange, a sharing of marketing ideas. Hill was a panelist in a "how to" session designed to provide information on conducting bus roadeos for both operators and mechanics...**Don Yabush**, media coordinator, Public Affairs, has a ferry boat captain's cap, a bottle of Atlantic

## I AM YOUR BUSINESS

*You had better take care of me. Perhaps you don't think of me at times, but if you were to wake up some morning and realize you did not have me, you would start the day with an uneasy feeling.*

*From me you get food, clothing, shelter, and such luxuries as you can enjoy.*

*If you want me badly enough, I'll get you the best automobile made and a home on Lake Shore Drive.*

*But I am exacting. I am a jealous mistress. Sometimes you hardly appreciate me at all. In fact, you make slighting remarks about me at times and neglect me.*

*Considering the fact that you need me not only for the material things in life, but spiritually as well, I wonder sometimes why do you neglect me as you do?*

*What if I should get away from you? Your happiness would flee, for a time at least, and your friends would worry and your bank account would dwindle.*

*So, after all, I'm pretty important to you. Cherish me. Take good care of me and I'll take good care of you...I AM YOUR JOB.*

Wallacine M. Good  
Forest Glen

Ocean water, and a photograph of Rhode Island's Block Island, thanks to the Chicago Bears' crush of the New England Patriots (46-10) in Super Bowl XX. A Providence R.I. Journal newspaper reporter arranged a bet between Yabush and Capt. Ray Parker of Narragansett, R.I. on the game's outcome. Yabush put up a conductor's cap, a bottle of Lake Michigan's best, and an "L" train photo. Parker runs a ferry boat between Block Island and the mainland...Customer Assistance Coordinator **Mike Cramer** received a call on March 13 from a person who reported that a youth aboard a train enroute to the downtown area pulled out a gun and announced a hold-up. The passengers remained in their seats, and no one panicked, but one person started laughing. The would-be robber looked up and down the train and when the train stopped and the doors opened, he jumped out and ran away. This could only happen in Chicago.

**Joyce Patrich**  
**Don Yabush**



## Management Information Systems

Congratulations to **Bruce Weeks** of Quality Assurance, and his wife, Joan, on the March 18 birth of their son, Jason Nicholas who weighed in at eight pounds, eight ounces. Mother and son are fine. Bruce's five-year old son, Jared, feels Jason cries too much, especially at 4 a.m...**Bill Ehrler**, also of Quality Assurance, and very involved in his Bucktown Neighborhood, says any artists interested in entering an exhibit at the Bucktown Arts Fest, set for August 23-24, should contact him on Ext. 4783 as soon as possible...Did you know that experience is a wonderful thing? It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

**Patricia Glines**

## Materials Management

On February 18, procurement engineers **Bob Knudsen** (Electrical), **Bernie Kazlauskas** (Chemical), and **Ron Tabor** (Electrical) again hosted an engineers coffee to celebrate National Engineers Week, February 16-22. The theme was "Engineers: Turning Ideas Into Reality." This annual get-together provides a unique opportunity for CTA's engineers to become aware of each other's areas of interest and contributions to the company. In conjunction with Engineers Week, a rally sponsored by the National Society for Professional Engineers was held at the Daley Plaza on February 19, 1986. Congratulations boys and gals!..We take this opportunity to congratulate **Helena Ward** who does an excellent job as our receptionist. This can be attested to by the many commendations she receives throughout the year from our vendors...Congratulations to **Dorothy Doljanin**, Utility Clerk, Stores at Warehouse 20, who retired after 33 years of service. An Open House was held in her honor and was attended by many of her coworkers...**Zaven Guediguian** is home from the hospital recuperating from surgery, and we're all glad of that. We are looking forward to seeing you back at your post very soon...Recuperating along with Zaven are **Ruth Ann Miles**, **Carol Griseto** and **Lori Muhling**. We hope to see all



*This Skokie golf foursome plus one were among participants in February's "Chilly Open" Golf Tournament at Arlington Lakes Country Club. Standing properly attired for the weather and armed with equipment for the occasion are (from left) blacksmith and welder **Ken Blocker**,*

*electrical worker **Jeff Tierney**, **Edward Bomski**, golfing friend of the Skokie Foursome, and improvement engineer **William Crocker**. The other member of the Skokie foursome is (kneeling) blacksmith and welder **Mark Bianchini**.*

of you back to work feeling fit as a fiddle...We welcome new employees assigned to the Administration Section: **Valerie Townsend**, clerk-typist; **Diane DeWitt** and **Denise Robinson**, both COA's, and **Frank Allison**, file clerk in the Records Center...**Darold Person**, Payroll Clerk, his wife Susan, 9 year old James, and 1½ year old Mark drove to Florida for the first time this winter. They visited many tourist spots and especially enjoyed Parrott Jungle...This reporter and **Kay Corcoran**, Treasury Department, spent 7 days in Honolulu and 7 days in Maui. We had a great time visiting with old acquaintances and making some new friends.

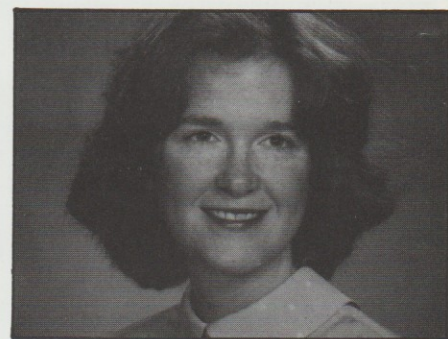
**Arlene Zittman**

## Harlem Maintenance

Congratulations and a mountain of thanks to **Mr. Rick Willis**, and the *Transit News* staff, for making it a superbly interesting magazine to read from cover to cover. Way to go...Now for the new arrivals, **Mrs. Judy Langhamer**, wife of **Joe Langhamer** of the Signal Department, gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Kimberly Marie, on February 12. Kimberly weighed seven pounds, two ounces, and was 19½ inches long. That makes three beautiful girls for the Langhamers. The newest arrival joins 4-year old Julie, and 2-year old

Lori...Good luck to **Mike Vasquez** on his retirement after 37 years of devoted service. We salute all the retired foremen from Harlem Shop. Included are: **Bob Flowers**, **John Canella**, **Aaron Swoope**, **Mike Kristman**, and **Sheldon (Shakey) Rita**, all men of iron, and a special breed who will be hard to surpass--my kind of people...Our deepest sympathy to **Tom Togher** on the February 6 loss of his sister, Mary...It is a great honor for me to be an Inside New reporter for Transit News.

**Mike McGuinness**



*Dr. Catherine Mary Dudley (Katie) is completing her first year of residency as an intern at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. She is a 1985 graduate of the Stritch School of Medicine, Loyola University, and earned her baccalaureate degree in 1981 from Notre Dame University. Dr. Dudley is also a 1977 graduate of the Immaculate Heart of Mary High School in Westchester. Her proud parents are Maintenance Safety Supervisor **Jim Dudley** of Kedzie, and his wife, Hanoria (Nan).*



## Service anniversaries in March

### 45 Years

**John Cannon**, Ass't Compt. Office

### 40 Years

**Willard Frieb**, North Park  
**Joseph Grojean**, Bus Service  
**Alex Johnson**, Transp. Personnel  
**Malcolm Simpson**, Esc. Mtce.

### 35 Years

**Patrick Clifford**, Ass't Compt. Office  
**Herbert Dillard**, Ashland Terminal  
**Olson Jackson**, Kedzie  
**Benjamin Perkins**, 77th Street  
**Joseph Vodvarka**, Operations

### 30 Years

**Alfred Berry**, Rail System  
**Willie Burch**, District C  
**John Davis**, South Shops  
**Earl Haskell**, Racine Mtce.  
**Perry Liddell**, Rail System  
**Pedro Ramos**, Rail System  
**Luis Velez**, Esc. Mtce.

### 25 Years

**Kenneth Blocker**, Sub-Assembly/Mech.  
**Salvador Carbonell**, Bus Pers.-North  
**Margaret Ellison**, South Shops  
**James Flores**, Mech. Mtce.  
**Howard Helfert**, Sheet Metal  
**William Lyke Jr.**, Mech. Mtce.  
**George Martens**, Forest Glen  
**Maurice Miller**, Limits  
**Mack Mister Jr.**, North Avenue  
**Steve Nicpon**, Forest Glen  
**James Reidy**, Signal, Phone & Radio  
**Lloyd St. James**, Bus Pers.-South  
**James Stephen**, Operations Control  
**Kenneth Stolz**, North Avenue  
**Arturo Valdez**, North Park

## North Park

CTA Rodeo Champion!! Well, will North Park be the garage to receive all that publicity and hoopla when one of our operators is announced as the 1986 winner? Could be, could be...Recently-announced names making the eligibility list on the first steps to the actual Rodeo are: **Michael J. O'Neill**, **Oscar M. Repellin**, **Jack Bryson**, **Daniel Joseph**, **Jose Moreno**, **Bernie M. Majewski**, **Robert T. Devitt**, **Jesus M. Vasquez**, **Melvin Little**, **Jamie Sandoval**, **Jesse Chin**, **Yakup Sabanoff**, **Brian Dollas**, **Louis Ward**, **Jean M. Cage**, and **Miguel A. Hernandez**. Go for it, people!..For those of us who like to swim, swim, and sink at the beach on summer vacation now's your chance



CTA General Attorney **Joyce Hughes** presented certificates of achievement to claim department personnel, as a culmination of in-house Claim Department courses related to principles of investigation, interpreting medical reports and voice recorded statements. Claims representatives have also completed a three week property damage estimating course at Vale Technical Institute in Pennsylvania. Recipients of the recent certificates of achievement are, from left (seated), **Donald Werdell**, manager, Claims; **Margaret Conway**, supervisor, Claims Subrogation; General Attorney **Joyce Hughes**; **Michael Vitale**, director, Claims Management. Standing (from left) are

**John Powers**, Associate General Attorney, Tort-Workers Compensation-Claims; **John Smith**, supervisor, Claims Examiner; **Omar Colon** and **Anthony Ritrovato**, claims representatives; **Daniel Martorelli**, superintendent, Claims Examiner-Investigations; **Thomas McCue**, and **Jesse Jumper**, claims representatives; **Harold Friedl**, claims law coordinator; **Arthur Thomas**, claims analyst; **Jeffery Campos**, claims analyst; **Thomas Stepp** and **Richard Smith**, claims representatives; **Frederick Ridley**, claims accident clerk; **William Uhl**, claims representative, and **Lawrence Grey**, supervisor, Claims Examination.

to really test your water wings. Operator **Stanley Stevenson** is able to get reduced rates for an ocean cruise, Love Boat style, for those operators who want to try a new experience come vacation time. Stan says he has gone to Nassau and other stops in the Bahamas aboard ship in 1985 and his photos don't show him looking bored at all!! North Park's Credit Union dinner turned out really nice by way of their recently held meeting at the White Eagle restaurant...Lest anyone else is wondering where he is, our walking encyclopedia of run schedules and anything else related is now working as a travel information representative in the "burbs." **Reed A. Becker** would make a great driver methinks...Did our retiree **Dale Peters** ever hear from his friend from Arizona who inquired about him a while ago? Hope so...**Arturo Valdez** capped 25 years service on the buses recently but plans on staying behind the wheel a while yet. Bet you didn't know Mr. Valdez has a son, **Arturo, Jr.**, working as a conductor these past 7 years from Kimball terminal AND another son, **Sergio**, who has worked in the Electrical dept. at Skokie Shops these last 5 years...Now that **Ophelia**

## Service anniversaries in April

### 45 Years

**Lester Rage**, Forest Glen

### 40 Years

**Vernon Coleman**, Schedules

### 35 Years

**Harvey Bey**, Kedzie  
**Donald Crandall**, Budget & Manpower  
**Howard Gubernatz**, Elec. Dist.  
**Eddie Mitchell**, 77th Street  
**Richard Morrow**, 77th Street  
**Theodore Vernon**, Ashland Terminal

### 30 Years

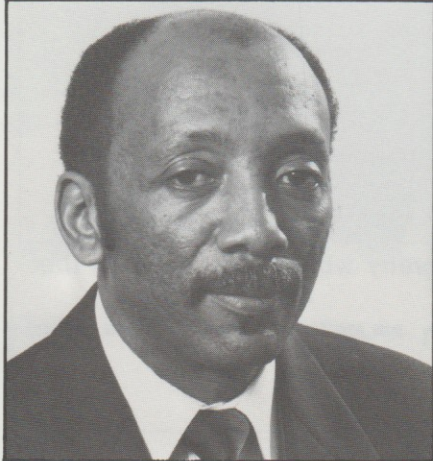
**Elijah Brown**, Rail System  
**Charles Hodges**, Instruction  
**George Lahori**, 77th Street  
**Lawrence May**, Ashland Terminal  
**Zane McBay**, 77th Street  
**Carlos Pitts**, Track & Roadway  
**Woodrow Wallace**, Douglas/Congress

### 25 Years

**Thomas Chorak**, General Mtce.  
**Richard Celmons**, 77th Street  
**Webster Dahmer**, Kedzie  
**Roman Doubek**, Douglas/Congress  
**Timothy McDonagh**, Rail Service  
**James McDonald**, District B  
**John Odum**, District D  
**Denis O'Donoughue**, Archer  
**Oliver Ross**, Blacksmith & Welding  
**Felix Velinske Jr.**, Kimball Mtce.  
**James Williams Jr.**, Central Counting



**Ellis** is working here at our station, North Park can claim title to the fact that the first three female operators hired are at one location. **Mary Wallace** is the first and clerk **Lorraine Newton** is the second...Our quiet operator in Evanston, **Ed Unrein** recently celebrated his 25th year of putt-putting aboard the buses



Twenty-two Kennedy King College alumni, all CTA employees, were honored recently at a banquet sponsored by the college and the Illinois Association for the Advancement of Black Americans in Vocational Education. Receiving Kennedy King's Special Recognition Award as an outstanding applied science alumnus was **James Elliot**, a 1974 graduate who joined CTA in 1966. Elliot is a performance control analyst for Engineering and Maintenance. Other honorees, all from South Shops, were: **Ernest Johnson**, **Frank Holton, Jr.**, **Anthony Tunious**, **Lorenzo Ballard**, **Duane Doaley**, **Earl Jones**, **Richard Jones**, **Frank Boyd**, **Alfonso Clark**, **Joe Dixon**, **Manuel Edwards**, **Leon Gardner**, **William Jennings**, **Lonzo Lyles**, **Vincent Roofe**, **Ray Slater**, **Randolph Strahan**, **Robert Turner**, **Herman White**, **Patrick Small**, and **Carol A. Bowman**, General Office.

with a gathering of the family at home with his wife Opal, her two sisters and her brother, and a nephew...Look who won those new uniforms we are all looking forward to wearing v-e-r-y shortly. Winners are: **G. Garcia**, **J. Dickerson**, **W. Velez** and **R. J. Lopez**. Notice similar driving styles between North Park's father and son team **Ray** and **Anllido Larragoity**? Dad Anllido works Clark Street...Either North Park has an echo in the morning hours or maybe we're just hearing someone's radio playing overtime. Then again maybe it's Mr. "Star Search" himself, **Joe Cobb**, serenading those of us who are trying to while away the time on our fallback. Keep singing, Joe, we all know you sang at North Park's Christmas party last year...North Park's picnic committee is attempting to get organized to give a picnic in the latter part of June. So maybe you have some ideas?? If so, c'mon, get with it and volunteer to help out.

**Mike Flores**

## North Section

Ticket agent **Mary Ann Taylor** and her husband, Archer bus operator **Louis Taylor**, made their 14th wedding anniversary a family affair on February 4 as they dined at Maxwell Sweeney's Restaurant in Calumet City's River Oaks Shopping Center...Topping ticket agent **Maggie Barret**'s vacation would be hard since one of the great events she enjoyed was watching the Bears-Patriots football game in New Orleans.

**Josephine Anderson**



CTA retiree **Harold J. Rowbottom** (photo), and **Gerald C. Hoff**, Division Manager, Grant Programming for Metra, the rail division of RTA, were inducted into office as president and treasurer, respectively, at the January meeting of the Illinois Section, Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Rowbottom, who has continued his activities with the ITE since retiring in 1983, is the first CTA person to hold the Illinois Section presidency since Evan Olmstead, who occupied the office in 1960.

Hoff is former CTA director of Plans and Programs. He resigned in October 1984 after 10 years to join RTA.

The Institute of Transportation Engineers is a world-wide organization of transportation professionals with over 6500 members, approximately 275 of which are located in Illinois. The organization is dedicated to aiding the growth and development of the transportation profession.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Lawrence E. Agin**, 77, Shops & Equip., Emp. 6-4-27, Died 2-18-86

**James Broz**, 65, West Shops, Emp. 3-27-58, Died 2-25-86

**Louis Burdzinski**, 74, Archer, Emp. 10-17-42, Died 2-4-86

**Archibald Cameron**, 83, 52nd Street, Emp. 7-21-36, Died 2-3-86

**Robert R. Crane**, 58, 69th Street, Emp. 7-29-46, Died 2-5-86

**Michael J. Grimes**, 85, Lawndale, Emp. 12-18-33, Died 2-11-86

**William J. Grzesinski**, 66, North Avenue, Emp. 2-10-47, Died 2-7-86

**Lawrence W. Heise**, 77, Transportation, Emp. 3-26-30, Died 2-9-86

**Hugh B. Kelley**, 85, South Shops, Emp. 8-22-18, Died 2-19-86

**Andrew Kotowicz**, 87, Shops & Equip., Emp. 8-13-23, Died 2-27-86

**Robert F. Lyons**, 76, West Section, Emp. 10-1-41, Died 2-5-86

**Michael F. Nails**, 93, Lawndale, Emp. 4-19-17, Died 2-26-86

**John Cacciato**, 72, Vehicle Maintenance, Emp. 1-20-42, Died 11-6-85

**Anton Partyka**, 80, North Park, Emp. 10-5-36, Died 2-7-86

**George Petrides**, 90, Shops & Equip., Emp. 10-18-16, Died 2-6-86

**James Rivers**, 73, 52nd Street, Emp. 4-25-45, Died 2-23-86

**Frank R. Soukup**, 85, 69th Street, Emp. 3-20-28, Died 2-21-86

**Benjamin J. Tausch**, 86, Claim, Emp. 2-4-36, Died 2-18-86

**Walter E. Walsh**, 84, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-20-27, Died 2-12-86

**William E. Whitenhill**, 56, Forest Glen, Emp. 12-5-52, Died 2-4-86



## "Tokens" of appreciation

Special gift items for transit fans are being offered for sale for the first time by the CTA Promotional Services section. CTA tokens attractively plated with jeweler's metal (gold in appearance) are the focal points of stick pins (not shown), tie tacks, tie bars, and cuff links. Current supply is limited, but all orders will be filled over a period of time.

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Mail your order form to: **TOKEN JEWELRY, CTA Promotional Services, Room 734, P.O. Box 3555, Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60654.**

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