

cta Board elects new officers

NEW OFFICERS



Walter H. Clark

Walter H. Clark, former executive vice president for Citicorp Savings of Illinois who was recently appointed to a seven-year term on the CTA Board, has been elected CTA Board chairman.


He succeeds Michael A. Cardilli whose term expired August 31. Named vice chairman was veteran CTA Board Member **John J. Hoellen**. The board convened to elect its new officers on August 27.

Clark, 58, who was named to the board by Mayor Harold Washington on June 4 and approved by the Chicago City Council, said of his appointment at that time, "I want to be sure the business operates properly, because it affects CTA employees as well as the people we serve. I'd like to know that we run an efficient service at a reasonable cost."

He is an alumnus of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, where he is also a charter member of the university's college of business and administration Alumni Hall of Fame.

The new chairman earned his master of business administration degree at DePaul University and completed Harvard University's Advance Management program. He and his wife, Juanita, reside in Hyde Park, and are the parents of a son and a daughter.

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John J. Hoellen

John J. Hoellen, 72, was first nominated to the CTA Board by Governor James Thompson, and approved by the Illinois Senate in November, 1979. The governor reappointed him to a new seven-year term in May, 1984.

Hoellen, former alderman of the 47th Ward from 1947 to 1975,

was a member of the City Council's committees on finance, traffic, and transportation.

He is an alumnus of Northwestern University where he earned his baccalaureate degree in public administration. He is also a graduate of the Northwestern University Law

school, and has been a member of the Illinois Bar since 1938.

The vice chairman is a practicing attorney, and resides in the Ravenswood community. He and his wife, Mary Jane, are the parents of a son and a daughter.

CTA employees present papers at U of C transit conference



CTA staff participating in the University of Chicago sponsored one-day Metropolitan Conference on Public Transportation Research were (seated from left) **David Phillips**, superintendent, Service Planning; **Norman Hall**, system development coordinator; **Eric Marx**, elderly and handicapped transit

operations planner, and **Lynn Ritter Otte**, superintendent, Service Analysis and Research. Standing are (left) **Larry Anderson**, capital program analyst, and **Jon Roth**, superintendent, Special Service Operations Planning.

Seven CTA employees were among participants in the one-day Metropolitan Conference on Public Transportation Research held June 19 and sponsored by the University of Chicago at the university's Swift Hall.

Presenting papers at the 10-session conference were **Jud Lawrie**, budget manager; **Jon Roth**, superintendent, Special Services, Operations Planning; **Lynn Ritter Otte**, superintendent, Service Analysis and Research; **David Phillips**, superintendent, Service Planning; **Eric Marx**, elderly and handicapped transit operations planner; **Norman Hall**, system development coordinator, and **Larry Anderson**, capital program analyst.

The conference keynote speaker was former CTA Executive Director **Bernard Ford**, president of Baker Engineering, Inc., who addressed the meeting on the subject of *The Effects of Federal Budget Cuts and the Resulting Environment for Service Provision*. Chicago Tribune Editorial Board member David Young was the luncheon speaker on *The Effects of Politics on Mass Transit*.

Papers presented to the conference by members of the CTA staff were: *Effects of Lower Gasoline Prices on Transit Revenues*, Jud Lawrie; *The CTA's Hybrid User-Side Subsidy Program*, Jon Roth and others; *CTA's 1986 Fare Increase*, Lynn Ritter Otte,

and *Equity and Transit Fare Structures*, Norman Hall. David Phillips was a member of the afternoon's Downtown Distribution Panel which also included representatives of the City of Chicago, and the Greater State Street Council.

The conference was organized by representatives of the Center for Urban Research and Policy Studies, University of Chicago, and staff members of CTA, PACE, Metra, the Regional Transportation Authority, the Chicago Area Transportation Study, and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Design engineer honored for superior public service



David Hillock (left), manager, Facilities Engineering and Maintenance, congratulates SPSA winner **Patrick Murphy** as Chris Kalogeras, director, Architectural Design waits to extend best wishes to his nominee.

Patrick R. Murphy, senior wiring design engineer in the Facilities Engineering and Maintenance department received a Superior Public Service Award in the outstanding professional employee category.

Murphy was one of 12 recipients at the 18th annual Superior Public Service Awards program held at the Palmer House. Among finalists who received certificates of recognition were **Virginia D. McGraw**, executive administrative assistant to Deputy Executive Director/Engineering and Maintenance George Millonas, and **Michael B. Vasquez**, recently retired superintendent, Rail Maintenance terminals, Skokie.

Murphy, a CTA employee for 12 years, was nominated for the Superior Public Service Award by Chris Kalogeras, director, Architectural Design. He was cited for his work in planning and designing of non-maintenance type electrical work at CTA facilities, which includes lighting, heating, power, equipment connections, and controls. His work involves making plans and specifications for use by bidders on CTA projects.

As executive administrative assistant to the deputy executive director, Engineering and Maintenance, Virginia McGraw, an employee for 13



Michael B. Vasquez, and **Virginia D. McGraw** proudly display their certificates of recognition as finalists in the Superior Public Service Awards.

years, relieves the deputy executive director of considerable administrative detail. Her responsibilities include a wide variety of activities which surpass the normal range of clerical functions.

As superintendent of rail terminals, Michael Vasquez supervised and coordinated all rail maintenance activities for more than 230 employees in rail car repairs, servicing and motor cleaning work performed at all CTA rail terminals.

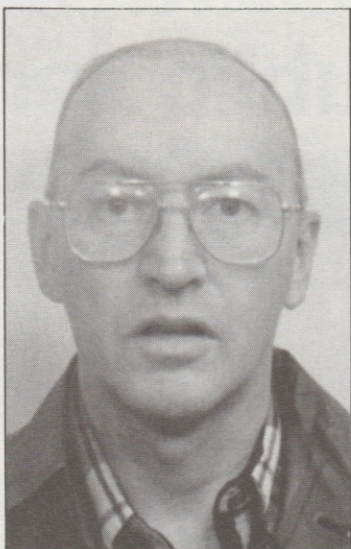
Vasquez was also responsible for coordinating terminal operations with other departments and monitoring the activities of the Rail Vehicle

Maintenance System. He was a CTA employee for 38 years before his retirement in February.

The Superior Public Service Awards program recognizes outstanding public employees in the executive, professional, supervisory, clerical, public safety, and general service categories.

Superior Public Service Awards are open to employees of the City of Chicago, Cook County, Metropolitan Sanitary District, Chicago Board of Education, Chicago City Colleges, Chicago Housing Authority, the Chicago Park District, and the Chicago Transit Authority.

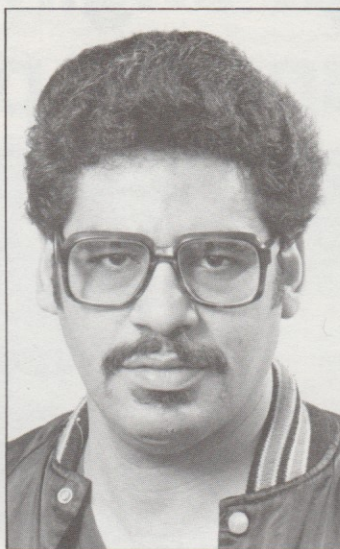
LeRoy Starr (North Park garage) was praised by Cathy Drummond, of Grace Street, who is a regular rider on his No. 151 Sheridan bus. "This man is always neatly dressed, with his uniform in good condition. He is always courteous, and very nice to the elderly people, pulling into the curb at all stops for his passengers. Not long ago, I saw him explain to some visiting servicemen about what they could see or do here. He calls out the streets, and does not hurry passengers entering his bus just so he can pull out faster. He is also not a fast or jerky driver, and is very pleasant to those who ask about other buses or streets."



Cleven Wardlow Jr. (West Section) was appreciated by Jack Trembczynski, of Addison, a rider on his O'Hare-Douglas train. "Recently a friend of mine came in from Seattle with his family, and the kids wanted to ride the 'L' and take in a Cubs game. I thought we could do both in one day. After getting on the 'L' at O'Hare, I asked the conductor about the transfer downtown to Wrigley Field. Mr. Wardlow did everything but take me by the hand. He showed me where to get off and how to make the transfer. During this time, he also answered many more questions from other passengers, always with a smile."

Roger Hudson (77th Street garage) was called "one in a million" by Helen Foote, of East 79th Street, a frequent rider on his No. 3 King Drive bus. "He is the nicest man I've ever met. He always has a smile, and always says 'Good morning' to everyone who rides his bus. If you ask him a question, he takes time out to answer you. He will explain just how to get there so you will understand which way to go or what bus to get. It is a joy to ride with him. It really makes my day. Sometimes you have that woozy feeling, but once you get on his bus, he changes all that. His bus is one you would want to wait for."

Ricky Hogan (North Park garage) was the operator of a No. 145 Wilson/Michigan Express bus ridden by Ernesto Espiritu, of East Chestnut Street. "Not being familiar with this particular route, I had a few questions, which he promptly answered, always addressing me as 'sir'. This courteous and pleasant demeanor continued until I got off at the Water Tower, although I am sure it didn't end there. When someone didn't show enough of their pass, he would ask them politely to show it again, always thanking them afterwards. He also cautioned passengers to watch their step boarding or alighting. He does a fine job."



Augustin Lopez (West Section) "deserves special commendation," according to Carol Kelm, of Oak Park, who had seen a thief snatch another woman's purse on a Lake/Dan Ryan train at Laramie. "When conductor Lopez saw what was happening from the car ahead, he kept the train in the station and prevented the thief from going through the turnstile and escaping to the street. While waiting for the police to arrive, he calmed the victim and her husband. He asked me if I had been hurt, and was concerned about the cuts my husband sustained in his scuffle with the thief on the platform. We are very grateful for Mr. Lopez' help."

Mansur Kabir (South Section) "has a great deal of patience, along with a generous measure of kindness," according to Brother Chris Lambert, of St. Peter's Church in the Loop. "He was training a new conductor (on the Englewood-Howard route), a young man who was obviously experiencing all the anxieties of being new on the job. But nothing this young man could say or do upset him. He quietly and patiently urged his trainee through all the necessary procedures. When passengers needed information, he took the time to be sure each one understood his directions, then reminded them when their stop was approaching. He honored himself and CTA."

Cedric Johnson (Kedzie garage) was regarded by Betty Cook, of Flossmoor, as "one of the finest bus drivers I have encountered. His entire attitude was positive. He was very patient with a handicapped young woman who was trying to get to the (No. 20 Madison) bus before we pulled away. He assured her that he would indeed wait, and that she should take her time. I noticed also that he was equally patient with the elderly, or with those who may have had to fumble for change. It was also nice to have the stops called out, and in such a cheerful manner. All in all, riding his bus was a unique experience."

Tuesday Simpson (Limits garage) was complimented by Helen Rossi, of West Huron Street, who was a rider on her No. 36 Broadway bus. "She was the most courteous and kind person I have ever encountered. She was kind and helpful to me and the other elderly passengers. I have been a CTA passenger on thousands of trips, but this one I won't forget. I had to write to tell you about her. I took me a while because I was in the hospital. She was businesslike, and yet friendly and kind. Everyone was treated as if they were special. This young lady was something else. The other people on the bus agreed with me."

WIPING OUT GRAFFITI

Between June 22 and August 18, 111 juveniles and 22 adults were arrested for graffiti offenses, reports Sgt. Robert Angone of the Mass Transit Unit, Public Transportation Section, Chicago Police Department. Hours of undercover investigation by tactical officers produced information leading to the identity of graffiti offenders and enabled officers to arrest graffiti "taggers" after they had left the scene of the crime.

Of those arrested, 33% are repeat offenders and many are leaders of graffiti "tagging" groups. Through

cooperation with the Chicago Police Department Youth Division and the State's Attorney's Office, first time offenders were put to work in clean-up programs at CTA facilities and neighborhood locations, and 90% of the repeat offenders appeared in Juvenile Court to face charges of criminal damage to CTA property.

Anti-Graffiti publicity has increased public awareness of this million-dollar-a-year problem, and many concerned citizens, including parents, have provided valuable information.

Thanks for a job WELL DONE!

Employees who have received Commendations from the public.

John Adamson Jr., Jefferson Park
Syed Alimuddin, West Section
Arthur Alpert, Howard/Kimball

William Babilonia, Howard/Kimball
Jose Barrera, Archer
Rudolph Blakemore, North Avenue
Thomas Brooks, Archer

Robert Cadiz, North Park
Jean Cage, North Park
Ilda Castellanos-Wadde, North Park
Deborah Castro, Kedzie
John Chandler, 77th Street
Thomas Christian, District D
Luther Collier, Jefferson Park
Nilda Colorado, North Park
Robert Cook, North Park
Robert Cowan, North Avenue
James Craig, North Park
Albert Croarkin, 77th Street
William Cummings, Forest Glen
David Curley, North Rail District

Deneen Dalmas, West Section
Albert Dayan, North Park
Jose Diaz, Limits
Herman Duffin, Forest Glen
Melvin Dukes, North Avenue
Charles Dunker, North Park

Bruce Ellison, North Park
Sylvester Ermon, 77th Street
Pedro Exposito, Forest Glen

Nathan Fitzpatrick, North Park
Michael Flores, North Park
James Flowers, North Park

Daniel Galarza, North Park
David Gaston, North Park
Heriberto Gonzalez, Forest Glen

Ronald Hackworth Jr., Archer
Sarah Hall, Limits
Marvin Harris, Kedzie
Anthony Harris, North Avenue
Neil Hickman, Limits
Vernon Hill, Howard/Kimball

Shirley Hobbs Jr., North Park
Mary Holt, Limits
Robert Hopkins Sr., Forest Glen
Rosemary Hoskins, North Park

R. Jackson, North Avenue
Alvin Jenkins, 77th Street
Cedric Johnson, Kedzie
Howard Jones, Archer
Farrell Jones, Forest Glen
Alfred Jordan, Archer

Bahram Khavari, North Park
John Kirsch, Howard/Kimball
William Knudsen, Forest Glen
Robert Kremer, North Park

Lee Lampley, 77th Street
Robert Lewis, North Avenue
Hipolito Liquigan, Forest Glen
Hector Lopez, North Avenue

Kevin Majors, 77th Street
Lura Martin, North Avenue
Kenneth Martin, North Avenue
Joseph Maryland, Limits
Ephriam Mauldin, 69th Street
James Mayes, 69th Street
Charles McKissick, 77th Street
Diego Medina, North Avenue
Marceau Mitchell, 77th Street
Doris Moore, Ashland/61st/95th
Carmelo Morales, Forest Glen
Thomas Morrison, North Park
Harold Morrison, North Park
Luster Morton, Control Center
Robert Moskovitz, North Park

George Neal, Kedzie
Walter Nowak, Douglas/Congress

Angel Ortiz, North Park

Fernando Padilla, North Avenue
Thomas Perez, Archer
Henry Person, North Avenue
Harry Purnell, 69th Street

Ibrahim Rahim, 77th Street

Leonardo Ramirez, Forest Glen
Jerry Reed, North Avenue
Armando Rengifo, North Park
George Reynolds Jr., Ashland/
61st/95th

Leon Richmond, Kedzie
Jesus Rivera, North Park
Lucy Rivera, Limits
Freddie Robinson, 77th Street
Carlos Rodriguez, North Park
Gene Ross, 69th Street

Luis Santell, Forest Glen
Augustin Santiago, North Park
Michael Schleyer, Forest Glen
Keith Scott, Ashland/61st/95th
Cassandra Seay, North Avenue
Terry Sims, Forest Glen
Penelope Smith, 69th Street
LeRoy Starr, North Park
Frank Staszak, Archer
Annie Stuckey, 69th Street
Robert Styburski, North Park

Henry Taylor Jr., North Park
Robert Thomas, North Park
Lee Thompson, North Park
David Thorps, South Section
Robert Tirado, North Park
McVey Turner, 77th Street
Marvin Turner, Howard/Kimball

Arturo Valdez, Howard/Kimball
Luis Valenzuela, North Park
Adolphe Vaughn, Beverly

Jesse Walker, 77th Street
Mary Wallace, North Park
Leon Washington, 77th Street
Frieda Wells, North Park
Walter White, Beverly
Fredrick White, Limits
Patricia Williams, North Park

Jacques Yezeguielian, Forest Glen
Alphonso Young, Forest Glen

Marvin Zabel, North Park
Anthony Zenner, North Park

Few hobbies require more dedication than the art of novice obedience dog training, and there is no more dedicated practitioner of dog training than **Erv Harris**, graphic artist for CTA's Operations Division.

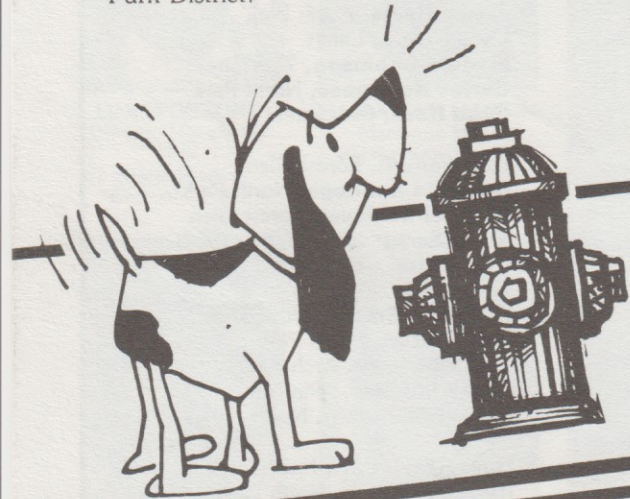
Harris, who has been employed by CTA for 24 years and has trained dogs for nearly 20 years, says a trained dog is a happy dog, a matter yet to be realized by many dog owners. However, it is certain that the owner of a trained dog is happier with the dog.

In fact, being able to control one's dog is the key to a good relationship between dog and owner. It is precisely this training that is provided for students in Harris' 14-week novice obedience course. The course is sponsored by the not-for-profit Rainbow Dog Training Club, a southside organization concerned with the care and training of dogs. Facilities for training are provided by the Chicago Park District.

*Canine obedience instructor **Erv Harris** demonstrates the method to stand a dog.*



Fulfillment



Harris, the principal instructor, credits CTA retiree **Glen Ross** of Athens, Ga. as his mentor. Other instructors are club president Ernest White, and trainer **Claude Brantley**, a CTA performance control specialist.

The Rainbow Dog Training Club operates by American Kennel Club rules. The 14-week course is not limited to show or pedigree dogs, but is open to dogs of all breeds, including mixed breeds. The course is geared to help dog owners wrest control of their homes. "Usually, when people come to us their dog is running the house," said Harris.

Training of a dog may begin when the dog is six months old. However,

Harris would also like to see a "kindergarten puppy training" program which would be beneficial to owners when they first acquire a dog. Such an innovative program would also make the novice obedience class easier to teach.

Harris' dog, Brandy, a beautiful, well-disciplined English Springer Spaniel, acts as a teacher's aide as he demonstrates on command the positions of heel, sit, stand, stay, and a variety of other orders which a pet should follow. Dog owners are also instructed in the proper disciplinary measures for controlling excessive barking, biting, chewing and other problems which pet owners frequently experience.



Teaching the dog to sit.



Dogs of every breed are included in classes of the Rainbow Dog Training Club as evident by this peekapoo.

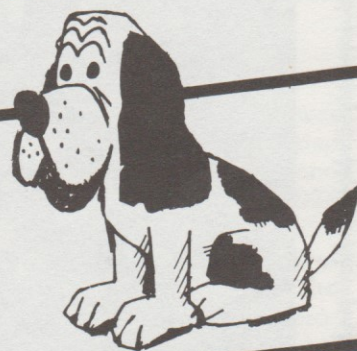


Teaching the dog to stay.



The importance of holding the leash properly is emphasized for control of the dog.

in a dog's world



Brandy, Harris' English Springer Spaniel, looks amazingly at the action around him as his master (with back to wall), and Claude Brantley instruct students on how to bring a dog to the heel position.

Harris said people are often hesitant to correct their dog because they fear hurting the animal. "They apply human attributes to the dog, which results in a spoiled dog."

Obedience techniques taught in the weekly class should be practiced at home daily. He urges dog owners to work with their pets three or four times daily, for five to 10 minutes each time. "A dog learns by repetition," Harris said.

"It is fairly simple to teach a dog, if you remember to get its attention and realize that a dog responds to such stimuli as food and praise. As encouragement, a dog should be praised immediately when it responds to a command properly.

"Most dogs are intelligent and capable of learning, although some are easier to train than others, primarily because of temperament. Each dog has its own personality and must be dealt with differently. The key is to find what works for your dog," Harris said.

To avoid getting a dog with a temperament that is incompatible with its owner, Harris urges prospective dog owners to study the particular breed being considered, and the background of the dog in question.

"People find themselves owning a troublesome dog because they merely accepted it from a neighbor, or took it because it was cute, or believe that owning such a dog is prestigious, particularly if its pure bred. Most people acquire dogs for dual purposes--companionship and protection. But, one's selection of a dog should be given very careful consideration for assurance of a harmonious relationship between the pet and its master."

Harris said dogs are pack animals, and the "alpha" or top dog in the pack will assume the leadership role. Just as a dog will assume the pack leadership, it will assume the leadership in the home if the owner permits it. Early training is necessary, therefore, so the dog learns its proper role from its owner.

Comprehensive office automation system planned



Plans call for each CTA department to have at least one word processing terminal such as this one being operated by executive secretary **Therese McMath**. Observing are Management Informa-

tion Systems department manager **Bernie Connolly** (left), and **Paul Olenski**, director.

CTA recently received a master plan for office systems technology from a national accounting and management consulting firm. After studying current and future computerization of CTA facilities in the Merchandise Mart, bus garages, and rail facilities, this firm concluded that substantial productivity benefits could be realized by implementing a comprehensive office automation system.

Touche Ross and Company, 111 East Wacker Drive, made the recent evaluation and presented their findings to **Bernard J. Connolly**, manager of the Management Information Systems department. Touche Ross said that CTA's goal of integrating word processing, electronic mail, electronic spreadsheet, electronic filing and mainframe computer access, via a department terminal, put it ahead of most transit

agencies and private companies of equal size in the country.

"Our goal, simply stated," Connolly explained, "is to provide a cost-effective system enabling CTA staff to perform the basic office functions and get all needed information at one terminal."

"We will also provide training and tools that will help employees understand their enhanced capabilities achieved through computer technology."

Bringing this new approach to office systems throughout the CTA is the MIS/Office Systems section headed by Director **Paul Olenski**. He has an extensive background in computer technology, including 14 years as a systems supervisor with the Union Pacific railroad and senior systems analyst with Sperry Computer Systems.

The Office Systems Section recently was shifted from the Budget department to the Management Information Systems department to give it a wider scope of operation.

Connolly explained that the Management Information Systems department staff are assigned on an approximately fifty-fifty basis to the CTA's main computers at 440 North Wells, just north of the Merchandise Mart, and to the development of new applications throughout CTA.

"Eventually," Olenski said, "each CTA department will have at least one workstation (terminal) for word processing, spreadsheet and electronic mail. Ideally, a document can be created or revised and mailed in-house or to our remote sites within minutes. We're aiming for an ease of communications, and we plan to have workstations in all departments by the late 1980's."



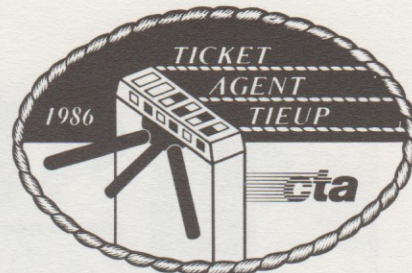
**Shirley Watson
Kimball**



**Pacita Ang
Howard**



**Louis Hill
Douglas**



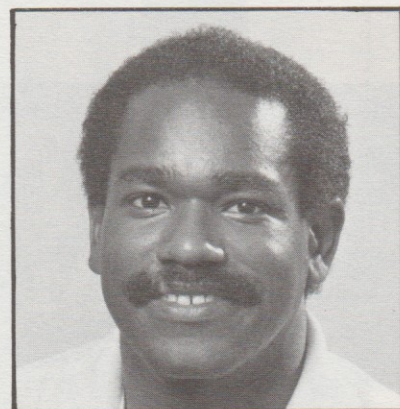
TOP NOTCH TEN

Taking top honors for a third consecutive year in the Ticket Agent Tieup competition was **Bryant Alexander** of 95th Street terminal. Alexander, who is in supervisor's training, will likely not be eligible to compete next year.

He will also receive an all-expenses-paid trip for two to Toronto, as well as a trophy, and his terminal will receive the Chairman's Trophy for one year.

Taking second place honors in Top Notch Ten was **Linda Woods** of Howard terminal who will receive a trophy and a \$500 savings bond, while third place winner **Antonio Narvaez** of O'Hare terminal will receive a trophy and a \$200 savings bond.

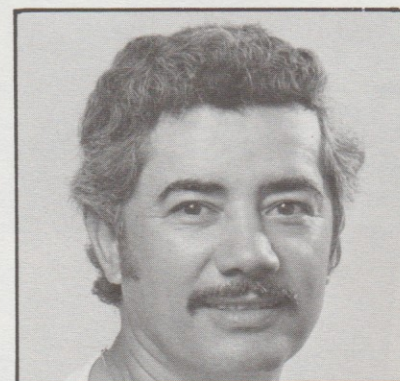
1st PLACE
Bryant Alexander
95th Street



2nd PLACE
Linda Woods
Howard Street



3rd PLACE
Antonio Narvaez
O'Hare



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Constance Rich – Ashland

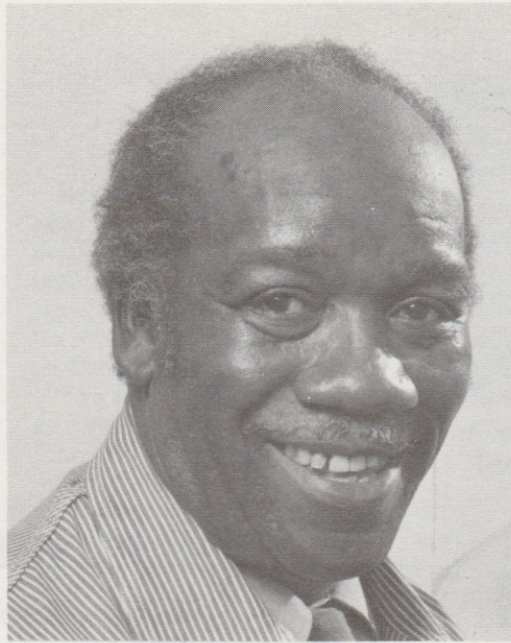
Martin Vargas – Howard

Promita Krishan – Howard

Faye Ragsdale – Ashland

1st

PLACE TEAM



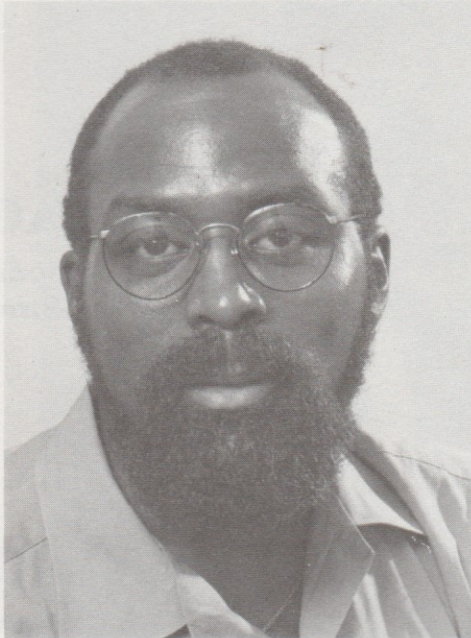
Robert Sanders - Kimball



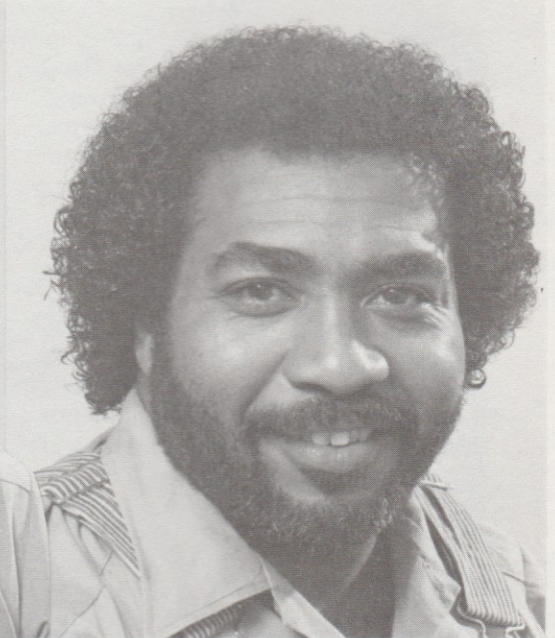
Diane Howard - Ashland

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PLACE TEAM



Robert McClure - 95th Street



Herbert Rainey - O'Hare



**Jerry Wilson
Harlem**



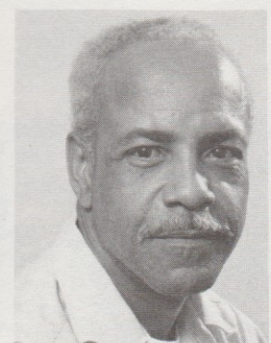
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Ashland**



**Deborah Hampton
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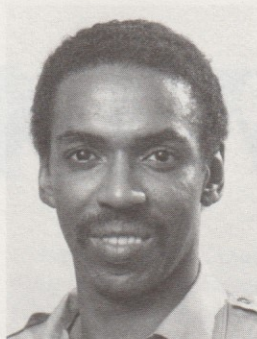
**Willie Done
Kimball**



**Vegan Bolling
95th Street**

ROUND HOUSE

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**Joel Larkins
O'Hare**



**Arlene Hudson
O'Hare**



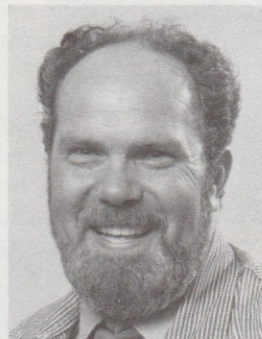
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Desplaines**



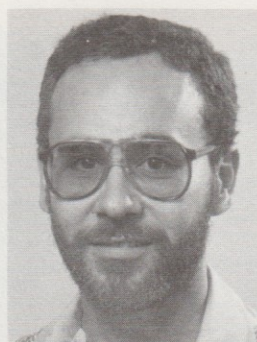
**Eugene Strzelecki
O'Hare**



**Roman Doubek
Douglas**



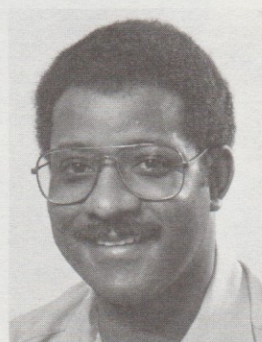
**James Colles
O'Hare**



**William Babilonia
Howard**



**Lawrence Washington
Desplaines**



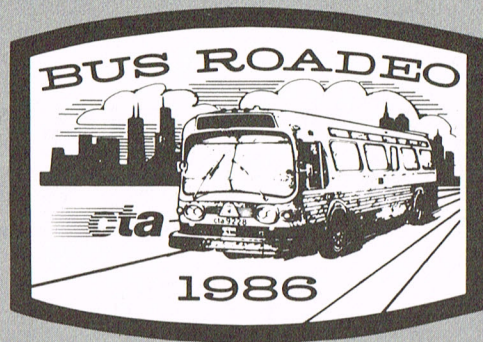
**Kemper Russell
Harlem**

Motorman **Robert Sanders** of Kimball terminal, the 1982 winner of CTA's first rail competition, the Third Rail Roundup, has returned to take the top Third Rail competition prize again.

Sanders' teammate, conductor **Diane Howard** of Ashland terminal, became the first woman ever to take top honors in any of the operating competitions. Both Sanders and Ms Howard will each receive an all-expenses-paid trip for two to Toronto, Canada for five days and four nights, as well as individual trophies. Their respective terminals will also receive the Chairman's Trophy which will remain on display in the terminals for one year.

The second place team in the Third Rail Roundup competition, motorman **Herbert Rainey** of O'Hare terminal, and conductor **Robert McClure**, 95th street terminal, will each receive a trophy and a \$250 savings bond.

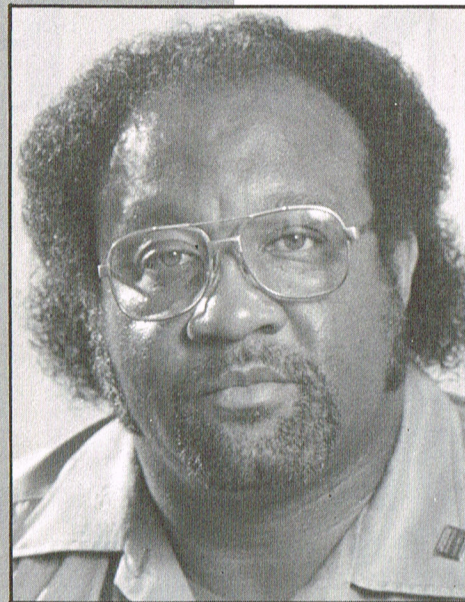




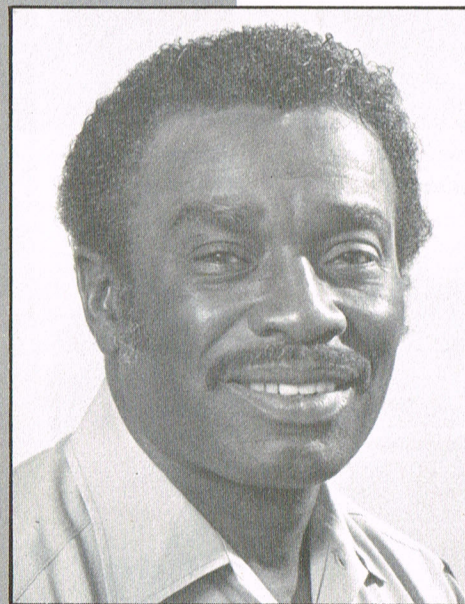
1st Michael Matas
Forest Glen



2nd Joe Rodenski
Forest Glen



3rd David James
North Avenue



4th Rufus Meeks
69th Street



Charles Murrell
Limits



Arthur Preston
77th Street



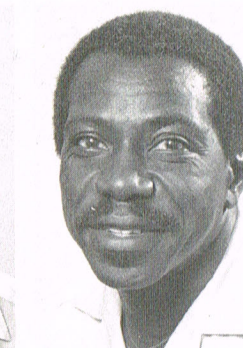
Johnnie Gomilla
Archer



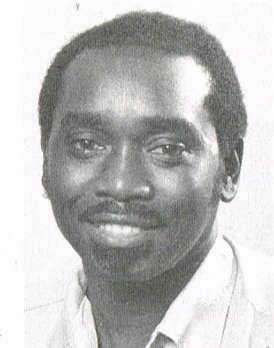
Michael Kusen
Forest Glen



Delbert Ashford
Beverly



Robert L. Harris
77th Street



Rusher Watson
North Avenue

WINNING CIRCLE 20

On July 12, as members of the Winning Circle 20 assembled at Soldier Field for the final event of the 1986 CTA Bus Rodeo, the clouds opened and it rained during competition as it had never done before. But, **Michael Matas** of Forest Glen garage was undaunted, and perhaps because of the rain, drove as he never did before.

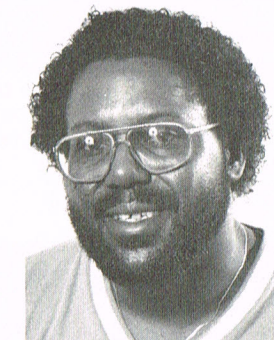
Matas scored 689, only 11 points from perfect, to win the 1986 championship. It was the highest score ever recorded in the 40-foot bus category in the history of the Bus Rodeo, whether local or international.

Garage-mate **Joe Rodenski** who placed second in the annual event with 657 points said of the Matas performance, "If I had to be beaten, I'm glad

he beat me by more than just a few points. Mike drove a beautiful course; I know because I watched him do it." Rodenski, a veteran Rodeo participant, is in supervision training and will probably not participate in the Bus Rodeo after this year.

Other winners were **David James** of North Avenue garage, third place, and **Rufus Meeks** of 69th Street garage, fourth place. Both are also long-time Bus Rodeo participants.

Matas will receive an all-expenses-paid trip to the American Public Transit Association (APTA) convention in Detroit in October where he will compete with other Rodeo winners from the United States and Canada in the APTA International Rodeo.



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North Avenue



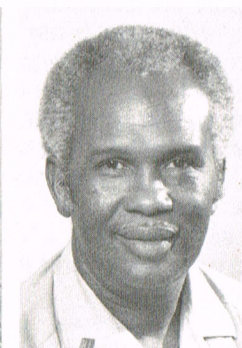
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69th Street



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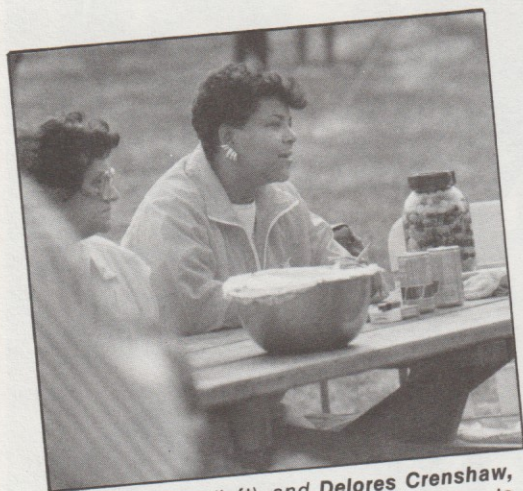
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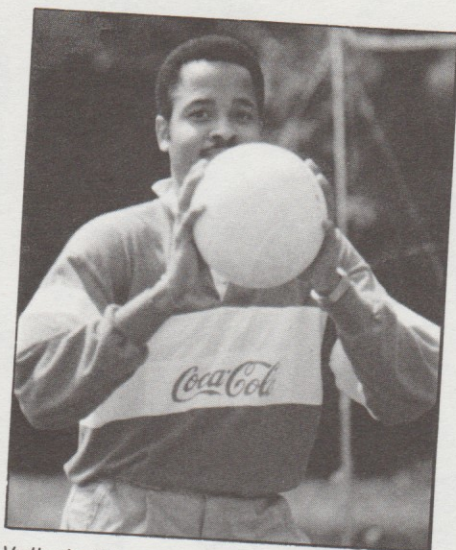
Salvador Flores
North Avenue



William Edgerton
Limits



Ann Crump (left), and Delores Crenshaw, sisters of Corrine Dalmus, appear to speculate on the jellybean count.



Volleyball is another activity designed to burn off a few calories after such a picnic feast as demonstrated by George Jackson.



The fun of it all as enjoyed by the Dalmus family.



Barbecue cooking contest judges (from left) Jerry Johnson, David Martin, Sarah Reaux, and Irene Volpi-Tate are getting down to the heart of the matter as they sample their way to six plates of ribs and a decision on top cook. Obviously they're oblivious to picnic committee chairmen Ollie Winston and Carmen Parker who stand conferring on activities of the day.

★ Food, ★ games, highlight

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Food, games, contests and just plain good fun were the order of the day during the first picnic sponsored by employees of CTA's Operations Control Center on May 24 during the Memorial Day weekend.

Approximately 100 CTA employees, family members and special friends converged on the Dan Ryan Woods Forest Preserve at a site behind the CTA bus turnaround near 87th Street. Everybody had a great time, and, before the day was over, there was strong talk about doing it again next year.

At least six barbecue grills were going, with contestants in the barbecue cooking contest getting down to serious business. Observers said taste buds of judges **David Martin, Irene Volpi-Tate, Jerry Johnson,** and **Sarah Reaux,** all experienced barbecue tasters, had to be in a state of flux with such tantalizing "cue" flavors to sample.

Carmen Parker and **Ollie Winston,** who were responsible for coordinating activities, said each judge was required to sample six

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plates of barbecue since there were six contestants. Finally, "it was all in the sauce," they say, as judges awarded the first prize, an Oster ice cream maker, to **McRayfield Caldwell**. Placing second was **Marcia (Cookie) Jacobs** whose prize was a portable AM-FM radio cassette player. **Shirley McClure**, third prize winner, received a seven piece beverage set.

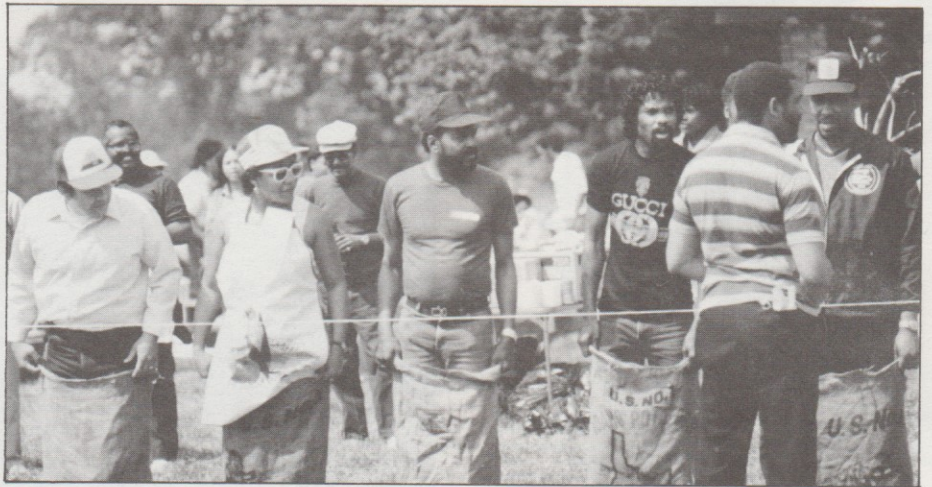
Louis Crenshaw, brother of agent controller **Corrine Dalmus**, nearly had the exact number as he guessed 931 jellybeans in the jar of 941, which he received along with a cash prize.

Other activities included three-legged sack races, water balloon and egg toss contests, volleyball, and softball. Chairman of the games committee was **Joe Daquilante**.

Spinning records for the gala affair was **Perry Levon "The Jam Master" Wilson**, son of Supervisor **James Wilson, Sr.**, 95th Street. **Paul Spencer**, and **Jetaun** and **Wendy Short** kept the children busy with activities, and deserve a special thanks, reports **Carmen Parker**.



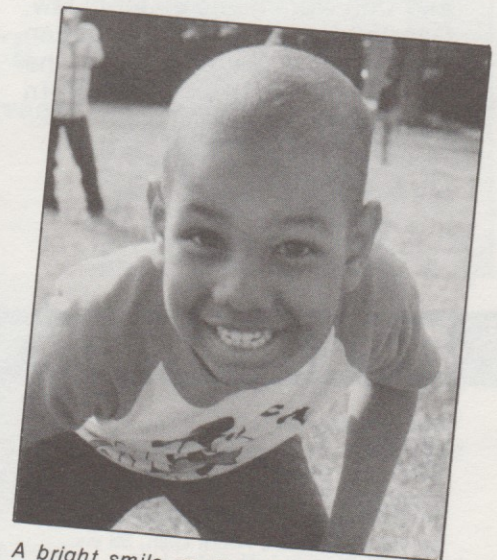
Shirley McClure collects a prize as second runnerup in the barbecue cooking contest from contest judge David Martin as friends, Willie White and James Wilson look on.



The potato sack race was a special event for shaking the food down and making room for more. Lining up for the event are (from left) Michael Sanchez, Marcia (Cookie) Jacobs, James Daugherty, Bill Daniels, and Leatha Patton. Game coordinator (striped shirt) is Paul Spencer.



Ollie Winston, a member of the picnic committee, checks the barbecue.



A bright smile on the face of 6-year old Colin Parker is what the day was all about ---a good time, happy people, and smiling faces for everybody. Colin is the son of Carmen Parker.



"Last Bus Stop"

Retiring bus operator **John Anderson**, 69th street, was honored by more than 350 family members, friends and co-workers at a Gala "Last Bus Stop" retirement party given by his wife Lorraine at St. Thaddeus Hall on February 15.

The invitation only affair also included dignitaries from Cook County Hospital, where Mrs. Johnson is Administrator of the Fantus Clinic.

Anderson was honored with testimonials from CTA chairman Michael A. Cardilli, Mayor Harold

Washington, Governor James Thompson, and Senator Alan Dixon, read by Helen Beane of Los Angeles.

Anderson is an Air Force veteran, and a member of District 7, Chicago Board of Education Task Force Drop Out Prevention Program, the Chicago Assembly and Lillydale Progressive Baptist Church.

After driving a bus for 30 years, Anderson may have to change his driving style, because his wife Lorraine presented him with a champagne gold Mercedes Benz.

45 years service

June Noren (left), CTA data entry coordinator who retired July 1, poses with members of her family following a retirement reception in her honor. She leaves CTA after 45 years of service. Present for the occasion were (from left) her nephew, and her brother, Glen and Don Noren, and sister-in-law, Dorothy Noren. Ms. Noren began her career as a clerk with the Chicago Surface Lines in September 1941.



RETIREMENTS JULY

Bill Bartlett, North Park, 19 yrs.
Michael J. Borchek, Forest Glen, 39 yrs.
William A. Davis, 77th St., 24 yrs.
George N. Dimitsas, 61st St., 25 yrs.
Louise Fernado, North Park, 22 yrs.
Steven G. Gorski, Forest Glen, 38 yrs.
John D. Jackson, North Sect., 13 yrs.
Lawrence Johnson, Madison & Wabash, 19 yrs.
C. C. Jones, Archer, 29 yrs.
Albert J. Karbach, West Shops, 12 yrs.

Thomas J. Kirby, Skokie Shops, 28 yrs.
Artis Martin Jr., Kedzie, 21 yrs.
A. D. Merrick, North Ave., 32 yrs.
John B. Mitchell, 61st St., 35 yrs.
June L. Noren, G.O., 44 yrs.
William P. O'Connell, South Shops, 28 yrs.
Sylvester Roebuck, Howard Shop, 18 yrs.
Berl Singer, Forest Glen, 10 yrs.
Roy Shores, 77th St., 28 yrs.
Joseph E. Wardzala, Skokie Shop, 14 yrs.

AUGUST

Donald O. Buegel, Douglas, 19 yrs.
Martin J. Del Conte, Forest Glen, 25 yrs.
George Haralson, North Park, 16 yrs.
George W. Maloy, Limits, 17 yrs.
Steve W. Mason, Beverly, 12 yrs.
John I. Newman, South Shops, 40 yrs.
Edward I. Ojer, Archer "B", 23 yrs.
Edward C. Pietri, O'Hare, 10 yrs.
Robert J. Ross, 77th St., 28 yrs.
John M. Vidas, South Shops, 24 yrs.



Rodifer Heffernan, supervisor of Revenue Accounting, was honored at a luncheon in the Merchandise Mart M&M Club on his June 1 retirement after 31 years of CTA service. Heffernan and his family will maintain residence in their northside Chicago home. He is active with a Little League baseball organization, and is busy home remodeling.



Hanging up his broom

Leonard Beatty (left), supervisor of rail janitors, is accompanied by his wife Mildred as Deputy Executive Director/Engineering and Maintenance **George Millonas** congratulates him upon his retirement after 34 years of CTA service. A suprise party was held at the Madison and Wabash rail janitors office for Beatty who began his career in 1952 as a motorman. He received a generous cash gift as well as a broom which was signed by all of his

co-workers. Leonard Beatty was elected president of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 308 in 1970, and served in that capacity until 1976 when he entered the rail janitor service as a sub-unit supervisor. Later he was named unit supervisor, a position he held until 1979 when he was promoted to supervisor. Beatty and his wife plan to travel and enjoy a leisurely retirement.

The Maintenance Training Center recently graduated its first three students from a 30-day training program designed to provide personnel to assume responsibilities for rail shipping and production clerk vacancies. Coordinating the program were **Ms. Juanita Duff**, maintenance training specialist, **Robert Lemkow**, unit supervisor, Production Control, and **Richard Fabry**, supervisor, Production Supply Control, Skokie Shops. Ms. Duff (left), and **Richard Juvinall** (right), superintendent, Support Services, are shown with the three graduates who are proudly displaying their certificates. They are (from left) **David Weatherspoon**, **Chester Mazurkiewicz**, and **John Ferlito**.



“Day in CTA” honors for exceptional feats

Eight CTA operating personnel who provided assistance in various emergency situations, aided police in the apprehension of felony suspects, and saved revenue by confiscating phony monthly riding passes, have been honored by the Operations Division with “A Day in CTA.”

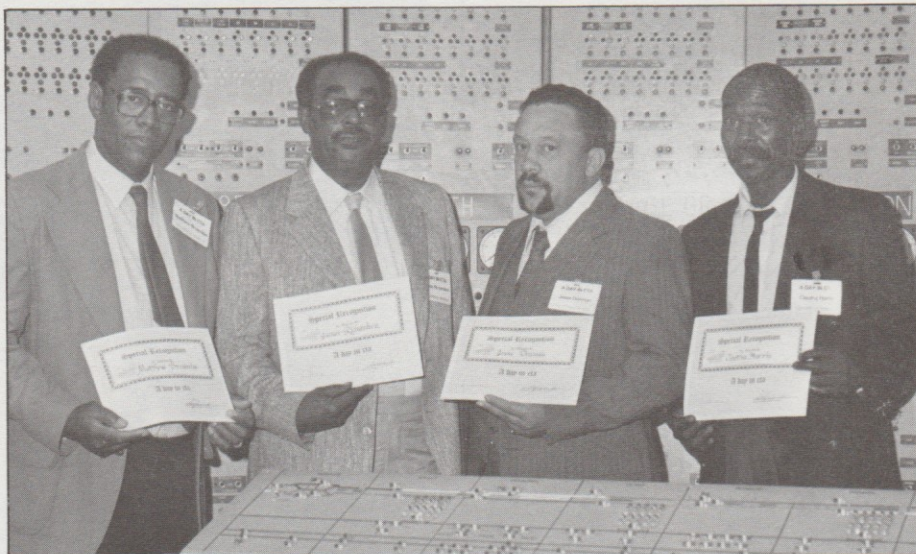
Honored were **Matthew Brownlee** and **Michael Moore**, bus supervisors, District “B”; **Cleotha Harris**, Kedzie garage; **Jesse Denman**, Forest Glen garage; **James Richardson**, 69th street garage; **Peggy Robinson**, Archer garage; **Augustin Lopez**, conductor, Harlem terminal, and ticket agent **Shirley Watson**, Kimball terminal.

Supervisor **Brownlee** was at the fueling lane near 38th and Rockwell avenue, Archer garage, when a motorist pulled in and said a woman was about to have a baby. After calling for assistance, Brownlee proceeded to comfort and reassure the mother-to-be until help from the Chicago Fire department arrived.

Brownlee had the assistance of Supervisor **Michael Moore**, and bus operator **Peggy Robinson** who were also honored for their efforts.

In a similar incident, **Cleotha Harris** was driving the Madison street route when a man with a small child suffered an apparent epileptic seizure. Harris gave aid to the stricken passenger and then turned his attention to the child until a Fire department ambulance arrived.

Special recognition was also given **Jesse Denman** for assisting a robbery victim who had been stabbed when he flagged Denman’s bus at Milwaukee avenue shortly after 2 a.m. The alert operator got a description of the suspect from the victim and relayed it to police. An arrest was made shortly afterwards as a man attempted to present a bloody five dollar bill to a nearby ticket agent.



Displaying their Day in CTA certificates of recognition are (from left) **Matthew Brownlee**, **James Richardson**, **James Denman**, and **Cleotha Harris**.

Two other robbery suspects were apprehended by police, thanks to the alert response of 69th street operator **James Richardson**. Richardson was operating his bus along Halsted street when he observed a man walking upstairs towards the elevated station carrying a television set, and a second man standing on the sidewalk near a cleaning store with a radio. The bus operator’s observation was reported to the control center and police were dispatched. Two men were taken into custody.

Conductor **Augustin Lopez** of Harlem terminal was also honored for apprehending two youths who

snatched a chain for a woman’s neck and bolted from his West/South train as it came to a stop and the doors opened. Although one youth broke free, Lopez restrained the other until police arrived.

Ticket agent **Shirley Watson**, a member of the 1986 Top Notch Ten ticket agent’s competition, was honored among “Day in CTA” recipients for saving the Authority money in lost revenue by confiscating counterfeit monthly riding passes. Ms. Watson’s attention to duty and her ability to spot a phony pass resulted in the confiscation of eight to ten bogus passes per month.



Day in CTA honorees get a tour of the Operations Control center. Conducting the tour is (left) bus controller **Charlene McFadden**. The honorees are **Peggy Robinson**, **Shirley Watson**, **Augustin Lopez**, and **Michael Moore**.

INSIDE NEWS

North Section

Summertime...vacation time. We threw caution to the winds and drove all the way to Elkhart, Indiana, R.V. capital of the nation. A short distance from Elkhart, in a little town named Wakarusa, is the "Holiday Rambler" factory. We got there just in time for a tour of the plant. It was a nice mini-vacation, and we recommend it to all our flat wallet co-workers... Swinehunt!! As you may recall from last month **Dan Villanueva**, rail superintendent, North, **Neville Keller**, superintendant, and **Everett Martin**, clerk, (both out of Forest Glen garage), had trekked to the heart of darkest Ohio, to hunt wild boar, with handguns. They arrived at the Hocking Valley Hunting Lodge on schedule, and were given accommodations at a bunk house. Rising early, they had a rugged breakfast, inspected and loaded their weapons, climbed up their ladders and waited for the awesome grunting of the deadly beast. Before noon, they had each been charged by a boar and bagged their game.

Josephine Anderson



Hunters and their game are (from left) **Everett Martin** and his 185 pound boar, **Neville Keller** and his 200 pound boar, and **Dan Villanueva** with his 210 pound boar.

Control Center

The Control Center staff congratulates Controller **Jackie** and **Annette Washington** on the birth of their son Jack, born May 31 at 8:10 a.m., and weighing six pounds, 15 ounces...Happy 26th wedding anniversary to Operations, Communication/Power Control manager **David Martin**, and his wife, **Evelyn**, a clerk typist at South Shops...And Happy 23rd anniversary to Assistant Superintendent, Power Control **Ollie Winston** and his wife, Erma. The Winstons are the proud parents of three children...Meanwhile Ollie who is vice president of the "Top Guys Social Club," is extending an invitation to CTA employees, families and friends to the club's annual dinner dance, and show which features the best in live entertainment. The occasion is planned for Saturday, October 4 at the Sheridan International O'Hare, 6810 North Mannheim Road, Rosemont. The attire is semi-formal (Gentlemen, jackets and ties please). Call **Ollie Winston** for detail on extension 4196...The Control Center staff surprised Bus Controller **Tessa Gaines** on June 6 with a baby shower. Tessa was awaiting the birth of her fourth child...Speaking of babies, Assistant Superintendent **Harry Horn** is the proud grandfather of an eight pound, 21-inch granddaughter named Teresa Aimee. She was born March 15. Her parents are Cipriano and Amy Albarran. Teresa's



Wally Olenick, South Shops retiree, and his wife **Laura**, observed their 50th wedding anniversary July 18 with their two daughters,, three sons, 19 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and brothers and sisters. Olenick began his transit career in 1939 as a machinist for the Chicago Surface Lines and retired in 1974. The Olenicks moved to Florida last year.

father is a car cleaner at River Road...Agent Controller **Alice Wages** is proud of her son, Eric Fortune, who graduated from Chicago Vocational H.S. (see Graduate Photos) and plans to attend Daley College in the fall. Eric will major in architectural engineering...Best wishes and congratulations to the following controllers who were recently promoted: **George Hand**, controller II, to controller III; **Corrine Dalmas**, from agent supervisor/Transportation Service to agent controller/Operations Communication/Power Control, and **Bernard Williams** who was promoted from rail instructor II, to controller I...**Rae Geniece Robinson** (see Graduate Photos) was pleasantly surprised when she and her date, Byron Hopkins, arrived at the Holiday City Centre on the evening of June 13 for the Corliss High School Senior Prom. Miss Robinson had been voted Senior Prom Queen, and Hopkins was named a prince in the queen's court. Rae Robinson is the daughter of Assistant Superintendent, Power/Control **Derrick G. Robinson**, and his wife, **Marjorie**. The North Central College-bound (Naperville) Miss Robinson plans to major in biology. Not only was she a Corliss academic success (3.3 GPA), but a fine athlete as well.

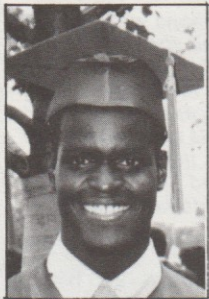
Carol A. Musto

Class of '86

More June Grads



TRINA COLEMAN
Proviso West H.S.
Frank Coleman
North Avenue



ERIC FORTUNE
Chicago Vocational
H.S.
Alice Wages
Control Center



MARIA SAN MARTIN
Madonna H.S.
Victor San Martin
North Park



VINCENT MORALES
Romeoville H.S.
Ramiro Morales
Archer



**CHRISTEEN
LYNETTE NICHOLS**
Harper H.S.
Levell Nichols
West Shops



VALERIE PORTER
Corliss H.S.
Jon Porter
Beverly



**RAE GENIECE
ROBINSON**
Corliss H.S.
Derrick Robinson
Control Center

INSIDE NEWS

Archer Garage

Congratulations to Operator **Paul Fung** who was married in May...Mr. and Mrs. **Alford H. Taylor** attended daughter Parthenia's second musical recital which was held at the Conrad Hilton on June 15. Parthenia is a student at Mayfair Academy...Operator **Charles Nelson, Sr.** will play in a tennis tournament, and son Charles, Jr. will participate in a little league tournament...Operator **Ignacio Villar** will run in the October 27 Chicago Marathon...Please don't forget about our co-workers who are ill. A telephone call or a card would certainly be appreciated...Condolences to the following families: Collector **Arthur Bradford**, who passed away; Operator **George Barber** who lost his brother, Roy; Operator **Ethel Wilson** who lost her sister, Martha Mallett, and nephew, James Mallett; **Joseph Freeman** who lost his wife, Adele; District 'B' Supervisor **Adolphus Martin**, and Supervisor **Leonard Perry** who both passed away.

Ollie Hoskins

North Park

Limits Instructor **Charles Clark** will be installed as Commander of American Legion Post #915 this September. Instructor Clark has been a member of Post #915 the past eleven years and served in various capacities as Sgt-At-Arms, Adjutant, Junior Vice-Commander and Senior Vice-Commander...**Victor San Martin's** daughter Maria graduates from Madonna High School (see Graduate photos)...Bet you didn't know that **Cookie Brown** is a volunteer at Thorek Hospital on her days off...Or, that the garage here at North Park has a do it your-selfer "C.B." enthusiast who rolls over the air waves with his own hand made \$7,000 set...Don't kick no sand dept...**Paul Meccia** is one of our new operators here at North Park and has been a body building enthusiast since 1981. Paul was one of 17 contestants at an Illinois State Championship body builders contest held in Hinsdale, Illinois, and came away with the 4th place award. And yes, that was Mr. Meccia working as an equipment technician at Columbus Hospital before he joined CTA...As you can see by the photo, nothing short of calamity will prevent



an operator from picking up that check on payday! **Ilda Waddell** sprained her foot at home but still was able to get to the station where we managed to snap this photo of her. Ilda also is soon to be a mother and have another set of little feet running alongside her son John and husband Robert... Welcome, welcome to our new #2 clerk, **Margaret Bernasko**. Ms. Bernasko is a former operator with service at the Beverly and 77th Street garages...Like daughter like father;



new operator **Yolanda Brown** can always ask her father for those winter survival tips this December. Dad is one of North Park's old timers. Most of us know Dad by the name "**L E**"... Superintendent **Kenny Czachowski** gave a nice impromptu hail and farewell greeting to another of our deserving gentlemen, retiring operator **Willard Frieb**, in the training room recently. Willard started his career w-a-y back in March, 1946 at the "Lincoln" depot which was around Lincoln and Wrightwood Avenues. Mr. Frieb also is the President of North Park's Credit Union and, for any of our other pensioners out there reading this, Willard and his wife Adelaide will reside here in Chicago in case you want to write him a line...H-m-m, another new operator, **Michelle Banks**, was formerly a licensed practical nurse (LPN) prior to joining CTA which just may come in handy for the hot weather this summer...Dusty's 'runnin' around with old LADIES!! It's

Service anniversaries in July

45 Years

Jeanette Ludmann, Investments

40 Years

Lois Jahnke, Revenue Accounting
John Schwartz, Howard/Kimball

35 Years

James Andriacchi, Distribution
Leroy Bush, Structure Mtce.
John Dilworth, Administrative Svcs.
Walter Gibson Jr., Archer
Levi Gipson, 69th Street
John McGhee, Kedzie
Herbert McKnight, Beverly
Jammie Morris, Howard/Kimball
Edward Reaux, Control Center

30 Years

Jonas Barnett, Kedzie
Claude Conwell, 69th Street
Mary Donohoe, North Section
James Doss, 77th Street
Donald Grant, Archer
Rufus Meeks, 69th Street
W. Moore, North Avenue
Douglas Price, Kedzie
Robert Ross, Kedzie
Willie Satterfield, Kedzie
L. Simpson, Kedzie
Donald Willingham, Kedzie

25 Years

Thomas Boldt, Mgmt Info Sys Dev.
Richard Bryar, Motor Vehicle Design
Donald Buegel, Douglas/Congress
Walter Collins, Howard/Kimball
Issac Dean, Bus District C
Gerald Guth, Signal Design
Elonzo Hill, Operations Trang Mgr.
Frank Lercara, Forest Glen
Charles McClellan, Agents West
Carl Meyer, Control Center
David Moore, Ashland/61/95
Gerald Mroz, Internal Audit
James Rizzuto, Support Services Bus
Kay Smith, Medical
Paul Sundblad, Engine
John Vidas, Mechanical B
Edward Willis, Bus Instruction

the Truth! Our guy in the credit union **Cedric 'Dusty' Wright** says he participates in 5 marathon runs a year and his most recent was the "Grandma's Marathon" held in Duluth, Minnesota a few months ago. P-s-s-t, did you manage to pass any of them females Dusty??...Our soon to be published author, **Eric Kyles**, was one of the marchers in Chicago's Viet Nam Veterans Parade and can now salute himself every time he turns on his TV. Eric was interviewed by two of our local TV stations at the parade, and managed to use his VCR at home to preserve his moment of prime time TV fame...Supervisor **Roy Ripka** and wife Iris will be z-o-o-ming down the highway in that sharp van of theirs to see their daughter Ismena who lives in Cleveland, Ohio. Ismena is going to present Mr. and Mrs. Ripka with their first grandchild in January sometime, and son Stephen will be graduating from Taft High School soon so maybe we'll see some pictures?...North Park Players, our "other" base ball team is looking for new members according to team manager **Eli Whooper**. And if you're unable to find Eli, look for other team members **Kevin Grayer**, **Fred Ragsdale** or **Louis Vasquez**...Supervisor **David Benson** is spending two weeks with his brother in Georgia...Box puller **Seymour Hoffman** and his Mrs., Florence, plan on



moving to Orlando, Florida upon his retirement. Operator Hoffman started at the North Avenue garage, then moved over to the Wilcox depot, Limits and finally to North Park, with nearly 38 1/2 years service to his credit. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman have a son Louis who is a special assistant to the Attorney General in Minnesota...Supervisor **Allen Lichter's** daughter Marci will become a bride in St. Louis, Missouri, when she marries Mark Thal...North Park Breezers Softball teams standing as of June remain, --

UNDEFEATED!! Hang in there Cookie!!...**Robert Williams** and **Rosemary Walker** were two of the operators from this garage seen at Limits lately in the Supervisor's class checking bus schedules on Clark Street under the direction of instructor **Joe Valtierra...Tom Morrison** and his Donna are on vacation and will drive to western Nebraska to see how the fishing is...in Nebraska Tom??...Your reporter spent some vacation time in Montego Bay, Jamaica and it's g-r-eat!...North Park's first family picnic was a big hit in more ways than one according to our operators. **Martin Johnson** was among the first to show up at 7:00 AM and start up his BBQ grill. The kids had awards given to them in their respective contests while their parents enjoyed plenty of carbonated and malt beverages along with plenty of food. It looks like we're going to have a 1987 North Park Family Picnic judging by this year's circus of events.

Mike Flores

Management Informa- tion Systems

Congratulations to proud parents, Carl W. Bowman and **Stephanie Miller-Bowman**, sr. systems programmer, on the birth of their first child, Jahmal William Joseph on April 23. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 9 oz. As



you can see, he's a real cutie...Congratulations to **Antonio Pedraza, Jr.** computer operator, and Eneida Garcia who were married on July 5. They drove to Mackinac Island and Niagara Falls to spend their one-week honeymoon. He said the weather was great and hated to come back. By the way, Eneida is a graduate of Northeastern Illinois University in Criminal Justice...Our condolences to the family of **James Stuckey**, supervisor computer operations who passed away suddenly from a heart attack on June 10. His funeral was held on June 14. Nobody knew the computer like Jim did. He certainly will be missed...On

July 29 M.I.S. held a picnic at Niles Forest Preserve. Systems Development challenged Operations to a 16-inch softball game. Operations won the game in the bottom of the 7th inning - 5 to 4. It was a beautifully played game despite the 95-degree temperature. Operations had an outstanding turnout and there were many 'stars' of the game. **Russ Smith**, Tech Support, was awarded Most Valuable Player honors for driving in the winning run of the game. A special thanks to all who organized this event.

Patricia Glines

Harlem Shop

Harlem Shop has another proud father. **Thomas Warchol** and his wife Nancy are the proud parents of a little girl, Jillian Amanda who weighed



eight pounds, seven ounces and was 21½ inches long when she was born April 2...After doing such a superb job aligning the Lake Street line, **Al Cranford** has been given the same assignment at Rosemont Shop, a task which could only be accomplished by a talent such as Crawford's. Good luck Al, we miss you here at Harlem...**Joe Milke** and **Tom Warchol** celebrated 12 years with CTA in April...Employees at Harlem also got new T-shirts which read "Harlem CTA Shop" on the front, and "Last Stop" on the back. After all, Harlem is the last stop...Eighth grade graduation for Dawn Reno, daughter of servicer **Dan Reno**. Dawn graduated from Elmwood School in Elmwood Park.

Mike McGuinness

Materials Management

Order control clerk **James Qualls**, and his wife Ernestine are the proud parents of a new seven-pound baby girl. Congratulations to the happy family...We extend our sympathy to the family of **Linda (Lundberg) Poetsch** whose father, the Honorable Judge John Grealis, passed away after an extended illness; to the family of **Jack O'Connor**, Director, Central Counting, whose father, retired Beverly superintendent **John J. O'Connor**, died; to the family of **William C. Platt**, retired director, Job Classification and to the family of **Harold Burda**, retired employee of Grant and Property Accounting...We are all glad to see **Rod Daugherty**, superintendent, Procurement Engineers, back to work after having surgery. Rod wants to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the many cards, calls and visits he received...Jean and **Louis Colosimo**, retired carpenter, South Shops, recently entertained this reporter as well as retired Carpenter's

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John Hester, Bus Personnel North
Robert McCarthy, Data Proc. & Off. Admn.

30 Years

Louis Barron, North Avenue
Elmer Chatman, Beverly
Elmer Domer, Building Wiring
Robert Heinlein, Control Center
Arliss Jones, Technical Services
Marvin Kocar, Bus Instruction
Eva Marcin, Administrative Svcs.
James McDonald, Kedzie
Daniel McRedmond, Stores, North
Patricia Newell, Law File Admin.
Frank Ramirez, Jefferson Park
Anthony Ritrovato, Claims
James Roche, Customer Assistance
Eli Russell, 77th Street
William Sparks, 61st Maintenance
Ernest Thomatis, Bus District A
Herbert Williams, Bus Personnel South
Leroy Wilson Jr., 77th Street

35 Years

Thomas Cook, 69th Street
George Ferguson, 69th Street
Richard Grajek, Vehicle Wiring
Carl Sims, Signal, Phone & Radio

25 Years

Robert Buergermeir, Mechanical Maint.
John Church, North Park
Leon Gary, 69th Street
Ben Jefferies Jr., Bus Instruction
President Laura, Beverly
Joseph Lococo, Forest Glen Maint.
Robert Mischke, Mechanical B
Terrance Muellner, Bus Garage-South
William Oliver, Bus District A
Larwin Riles, Bus Instruction
Arthur Springer, Beverly
Joseph Vareika, Archer
Bernard Williams, Rail Instruction
Alex Wilson, Rail Personnel North
Lester Wright, 69th Street

Union, Local 1922, steward **Sam Trombino** and his new bride Suzanne, in from California, and Delores and **Al Kasmer**, Business Representative, Chicago District Council of Carpenters and Northeast Illinois. Many memories were rekindled...Grant and Property Accounting had their own "Battle of the Network Stars" when **Ed Chorak**, Grant Accounting and son of **Tom Chorak**, West Shops, beat the "pants off" **Ed Murray** of Property Accounting, when they played 18-holes of golf...Congratulations are in order on two accounts for **Matthew Rago**, inventory expeditor, Warehouse 42. First, Matthew was engaged recently and plans to be married in November, and he is resigning to practice law in Park Ridge and downtown Chicago.

Arlene Zittman

General Office

In 1925, six-year old **Martha Kolniak Bleers** sang and danced in the school play at Chicago's St. Peter and Paul Church. Sixty-one years, nine children, and 24 grandchildren later, Bleers is back on stage, appear-



Bowlers observe silver anniversary

The 77th Street Operator's Bowling League marked its silver anniversary on August 29 as the 1986-87 season got underway at Evergreen Towers Bowling Lanes.

Veteran league members **J. C. White**, superintendent, 69th Street garage, retired, and **William "Billy T" Thompson**, director, Personnel Development, Operations, encourage bowling enthusiasts to join the league.

"Right now we are seeing a second generation of bowlers---sons of CTA bowlers, on the scene," said Thompson. "We welcome all who are associated with CTA either as an employee, retiree, or family member," he added. The team meets at Evergreen Towers each Friday at 9:30 p.m. and extends a welcome to newcomers..

ing in the St. James Catholic Church production of "Hello Dolly." The cast also included two of her grandchildren, 13-year old Nancy, and 10-year old Cathy Bleers. Martha was a CTA westside ticket agent from 1964 until her disability retirement in 1977. Her family includes **Mrs. Lucie Mullen**, confidential office assistant in CTA Treasury, and son-in-law **Jim Mullen** of the Pension department. He is the son of CTA Attorney **Frank Mullen**. ...**Norman K. Hall** and **Steven Roelofs** both received master of science degrees from Northwestern University on June 14. Hall (Strategic Planning) received a degree in Transportation after completing his thesis on *Developing Strategic Pricing Options for Transit*, and Roelofs (Operations Planning) received a degree in Civil Engineering following completion of a thesis on *Rapid Rail Technology: A Comparison of Conventional and Modern Systems*...Hispanic employees have formed a National Hispanic Transit Organization (NHTO). "The group was formed to address the issues of Hispanics at CTA and other city agencies," said **Omar**



Former Mayor Jane Byrne visited with the McStay family at Police Liaison Representative **Patrick McStay's** retirement party. Shown are (from left) daughter **Maureen McStay**, Mrs. **Jean McStay**, **Jane Byrne**, **Patrick McStay**, and son **Brian**.

Colon, NHTO acting president. NHTO is striving for parity in management and other CTA decision making positions, as well as educational and career training programs. NHTO welcomes all CTA Hispanic employees and retirees as well as other professionals and businessmen. Inquiries should be directed to the NHTO secretary, **Ana Maria Del Rivero**, at 348-3343 (Merchandise Mart, Ext 3583)...**Cary Morgen**, a new planner in the Operations Plann-

ing department, is a 1986 graduate of Loyola University and was recently honored by the Loyola management department faculty as its outstanding senior. He also received the Alpha Kappa Psi award for having the highest cumulative grade point average among graduating seniors in the School of Business Administration. He has aspirations for further education and is presently weighing a decision between Graduate school and Law.

IN MEMORIAM

Peter Anargyros, 92, Shops & Equip.,
Emp. 7-6-22, Died 5-4-86

Robert Z. Bagby, 64, North Avenue,
Emp. 2-27-22, Died 5-28-86

Bernard J. Berutti, 71, West Section,
Emp. 7-22-46, Died 6-1-86

Michele Bosco, 86, Constr. & Maint.,
Emp. 6-6-41, Died 6-30-86

Wallace R. Bradley, 79, North Park,
Emp. 10-26-28, Died 4-30-86

Raymond C. Brooks, 84, G.O.,
Emp. 9-14-26, Died 5-11-86

James A. Budford, 42, G.O.,
Emp. 10-5-64, Died 5-20-86

James H. Burklow, 64, G.O.,
Emp. 5-15-46, Died 5-19-86

Robert M. Butler, 72, South Section,
Emp. 8-14-46, Died 5-11-86

Martin Byrne, 97, Shops & Equip.,
Emp. 1-31-45, Died 6-4-86

Mitchell F. Bystrek, 71, North Avenue,
Emp. 9-12-42, Died 6-20-86

Patrick J. Conlon, 88, Stores,
Emp. 2-19-23, Died 5-11-86

Martin Conneely, 67, Rail Maintenance,
Emp. 6-12-51, Died 6-2-86

Charles Dansby, 75, Vehicle Maintenance,
Emp. 9-4-47, Died 5-15-86

Joseph R. Davidson, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 11-28-42, Died 5-15-86

Miles H. DeWitt, 75, Limits,
Emp. 10-16-35, Died 11-27-85

Helen M. Doherty, 56, South Shops,
Emp. 6-9-47, Died 3-12-86

John M. Donoghue, 86, North Section,
Emp. 5-15-42, Died 5-13-86

Peter Doot, 89, Shops & Equip.,
Emp. 6-8-36, Died 4-27-86

Joseph Dowd, 62, Vehicle Maintenance,
Emp. 1-19-51, Died 7-11-86

Patrick J. Drury, 91, District "D",
Emp. 1-22-23, Died 5-10-86

Edith M. Edbrooke, 86, Loop,
Emp. 6-8-25, Died 4-1-86

Raphael J. Edwards, 69, 77th Street,
Emp. 10-4-51, Died 6-3-86

Paul R. Ehmke, 80, Shops & Equip.,
Emp. 2-5-47, Died 4-1-86

Helen T. Guth, 73, West Section,
Emp. 3-30-63, Died 6-5-86

George C. Haak, 57, Keeler,
Emp. 11-28-41, Died 5-6-86

Harold Hansen, 87, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-8-24, Died 4-8-86

Clyde C. Hathaway, 83, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-17-36, Died 6-20-86

Earl E. Jackson, 63, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-31-51, Died 5-6-86

Joseph A. Jankauskis, 76, Vehicle Maint.,
Emp. 3-11-27, Died 5-17-86

Eddy Kaczmarek, 86, Constr. & Maint.,
Emp. 9-21-45, Died 5-8-86

John S. Kinder, 75, Vehicle Maintenance,
Emp. 8-15-59, Died 5-30-86

Harry J. Kucharski, 71, Maintenance,
Emp. 1-28-46, Died 6-28-86

Harold E. Kuehl, 81, West Section,
Emp. 2-17-43, Died 5-9-86

Roland W. Lawshe, 82, West Section,
Emp. 11-9-47, Died 5-26-86

John Lenihan, 100, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-8-30, Died 5-15-86

Mel J. McDonnell, 71, North Park,
Emp. 10-9-47, Died 6-14-86

Gustaf E. Melander, 75, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-5-40, Died 5-2-86

Fred Morgan, 68, Madison & Wabash,
Emp. 11-6-69, Died 6-6-86

Arthur M. Mulvaney, 71, North Section,
Emp. 10-23-41, Died 5-27-86

John M. Noren, 70, North Section,
Emp. 7-7-36, Died 5-20-86

John J. O'Connor, 81, Beverly,
Emp. 6-16-25, Died 5-26-86

John J. O'Shaughnessy, 75, District "A",
Emp. 4-22-37, Died 5-23-85

Lawrence D. Page, 64, 69th Street,
Emp. 2-5-53, Died 6-3-86

James H. Parry, 76, 77th Street,
Emp. 7-1-42, Died 6-16-86

Axel Peterson, 76, 77th Street,
Emp. 6-5-41, Died 5-11-86

William C. Platt Sr., 65, G.O.,
Emp. 8-25-39, Died 6-17-86

Astrid Platto, 93, G.O.,
Emp. 1-6-38, Died 5-11-86

Walter J. Pondel, 69, Forest Glen,
Emp. 11-27-45, Died 6-21-86

Edward A. Reilly, 72, Schedule Section,
Emp. 9-13-32, Died 5-3-86

Alois F. Rykaczewski, 68, West Section,
Emp. 8-5-53, Died 5-3-86

Tilman Shaw, 59, Lawndale,
Emp. 9-24-53, Died 1-8-86

Oswald E. Stampley, 69, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-14-58, Died 5-14-86

Ernest C. Tocci, 91, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-4-26, Died 5-20-86

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Oliver S. Wikrent, 79, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-29-43, Died 6-5-86

Frank A. Wimmer, 92, Logan,
Emp. 4-29-12, Died 6-30-86

Thank you, CTA!

Dear CTA:

Congratulations! In your first year participating in the March of Dimes WalkAmerica the Chicago Transit Authority has shown overwhelming support in our fight to prevent birth defects.

As a team, the CTA raised \$9,932.69 with a total of 44 walkers. Thus making you the winners of the city challenge against the Police Department, Sheriff's Office, Chicago Park District and the Fire Department.

We are also grateful for the Chicago Transit Authority's representation on our WalkAmerica Committee. The shuttle service the CTA provided was appreciated by many weary walkers.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Mary Flanagan
WalkAmerica Director

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