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Historic Area Residents Invited To Compete In Decorations Contest

Plans are now underway for the fourth Christmas Doorway Decorations contest, which is open to all residents in the Historic Area.

Visitors to the colonial city will judge the decorations and prizes will be awarded after all ballots have been tallied. The winners will receive a free dinner for two at any Colonial Williamsburg dining room or restaurant, plus a color photograph of the doorway.

All decorations should be in place by Tuesday, December 19, in time for the Grand Illumination of the city. The visitors will judge the decorations and cast their ballots in hotels on December 24 and on Christmas Day. Announcements of the ten best doorways will be made on December 26.

Materials used in the decorations should be those that would have been available in the 18th century. Wax or plastic fruits, plastic ribbon, and Christmas tree ornaments are not acceptable. Help from a florist may be obtained.

CW Film "Time To Begin" Receives "Chris Award"

Colonial Williamsburg has recently received a major non-theatrical film honor for its production, "Time to Begin," a 28-minute color film made originally for the 1966 Governor's Conference on Natural Beauty.

The "Chris Award" was presented by the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce and the Film Council of Greater Columbus (Ohio) at the 15th Annual Columbus Film Festival. The award, symbolized by a statuette of Christopher Columbus, joins two others for past CW productions.

According to Arthur L. Smith, director of the film and head of CW's Audiovisual Department, "Time to Begin" is a "visual statement of conditions and needs in the area of beautification throughout Virginia."

Arthur, along with CW's Gene Bjerke, cameraman-editor, traveled over 3,000 miles within state boundaries to film the scenes. Peter A. G. Brown, director of AARFAC and Special Projects, wrote the script for the film.

Plans are now underway to make prints of the film available on a rental basis through the Film Distribution Section at CW.



JUST ARRIVED AT AARFAC - The copper cow weathervane displayed above by guard Jerome Randolph is the Folk Art Collection's latest acquisition. Nearly five feet in length, the cow is the largest of AARFAC's 19th century weathervanes. Peter Brown found it in New York and judges it to be close to 100 years old.

CW Wins Host Of Compliments From Gridiron Club Members

On November 11-12 CW experienced one of its busiest and most exciting weekends as preparations were made for the annual Gridiron Club dinner held in Williamsburg this year.

As a result of the efforts put forth by employees here in carrying out the event, CW president Carlisle Humelsine has received letters from many Gridiron Club members and their guests expressing their appreciation and thanks. Excerpts from a few of those letters are included here.

"My most sincere and heartfelt thanks. Everything is in the word thanks, but for the great triumph of Saturday night it seems to be inadequate." -- Walter Trohan, Washington Bureau Chief, Chicago Tribune and 1967 president of the Gridiron Club.

"The food was excellent -- altogether it was such a Gridiron party as was never held before and, I'm sure, will never be duplicated." -- Marshall McNeill, Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance.

"All of us were greatly impressed by the splendid cooperation of the entire staff and by the thorough arrangements for the gala occasion. We are most appreciative." -- Ted Koop, Vice President, Columbia Broadcasting System.

"The many courtesies we enjoyed have left pleasant memories. And I think I can understand the complexities involved in the arrangements for our visit - although they were not evident in the thoughtful execution of the plans." -- B. H. McKelway, Edi-

(continued below, right)

Dual Ticket Program Postponed By CW

The dual ticket system planned for CW's exhibition buildings in 1968 has been postponed for at least another year.

The system was originally designed to present five new exhibition buildings to the public together with the current buildings and shops in two balanced but very different tours. The idea was prompted by rising attendance and the desire to broaden the educational and historic interpretation of Williamsburg.

Since the system was approved in 1965, a number of circumstances and considerations have been under study. Contrary to expectations, exhibition building attendance in 1967 was below that of 1966. In addition, the delayed start in constructing the new Conference Center auditorium, an important component of the dual ticket program, presents the possibility that it may not be ready for use in the 1968 summer season.

According to CW officials the 18th century buildings now being restored and furnished will be opened as scheduled this summer. Together with the current exhibition buildings, they will be presented on a combination ticket offering eleven buildings to the public. The ticket will allow the visitor admittance to the Capitol, the Governor's Palace, and the Christopher Wren Building. The remaining eight buildings will be offered in four groups of two buildings so that the visitor may choose one from each group to visit. In addition, tickets for each of the buildings may be obtained individually.

It is hoped that the ticket program planned for this summer will give CW officials an opportunity to conduct a more comprehensive study of attendance among all the exhibition buildings. Such a study will provide the information needed for final preparation of a dual ticket system for CW.

Wanted: CW Santas



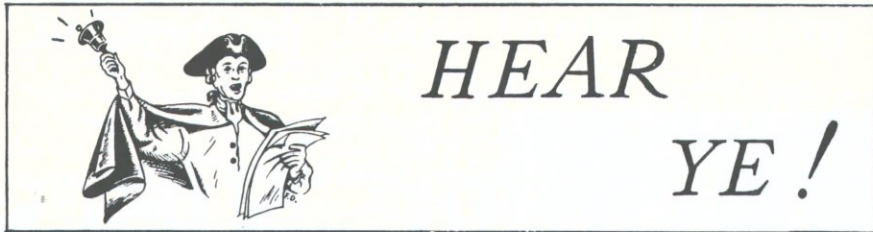
Last year during the holidays twenty-one CW departments with some 900 employees participated in the Williamsburg Community Council's Yule Basket Program by providing presents or food to make Christmas brighter for the less fortunate members of the community.

This year, the CW NEWS will once again act as a clearing house in cooperation with the Williamsburg Community Council. There are families with young children, elderly couples and many individuals who are waiting for CW Santa Clauses.

Call the CW NEWS, Extension 6227, by December 12 to find out how your department can give a happier, warmer Christmas to a family or to an individual in the Williamsburg area.

torial Chairman, Washington Star.

All CW employees who were involved in the Gridiron Club weekend may be proud to know that their efforts were so well received by such an important assemblage. A special host of compliments goes to Rudy Bares, Jr., vice president and director of VA&M, and to his staff who coordinated the event.

COSTUME SHOP - Kate Rock

Congratulations to Rick Piland, son of EDITH PILAND, on his recent marriage to Debbie Deck of Alexandria. The newlyweds will continue their studies at Virginia Tech where Rick is a member of Tech's football squad.

Home for the Thanksgiving holidays were the daughters of ODELL HOGGE, KATHRYN LEWELLEN and ALMA COLLEY. LYNN NEELY's husband is recuperating at home following surgery at Community Hospital. A recent guest of LOIS HUDGINS was her brother of Haddonfield, N. J., who was here to attend his 25th class reunion at William and Mary. THELMA McCLAIN spent the Thanksgiving weekend in Clarksburg, W. Va.

Costume displays were set up in November for the following groups: College Teachers of Textiles and Clothing, the school group from Buford Junior High, Charlottesville, and the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION - Dianne Britton

PAUL HURLEY is on vacation and is planning to do some hunting during this time. BILL PHILLIPS is, again, working with our department after being temporarily transferred from Architecture.

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Anne Campana

All of Public Relations experienced one of the most exciting and busiest weekends in recent memory when the Board Meetings and visits by the Gridiron Club and President Johnson coincided on November 10-12.

DON GONZALES attended the PRSA meeting in Philadelphia where he received a PRSA presidential citation for his work as a member of the Society's board of directors. MARGUERITE GIGNILLIAT and GEORGE WRIGHT attended the Sixth Annual New York Travel Luncheon sponsored by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce in New York on November 17. Governor Mills E. Godwin, Jr. was the principal speaker. NORM BEATY attended the Educational Broadcasters Meeting in Denver, Colo., and paid visits to travel editors in seven cities en route.

HUGH DeSAMPER's wife, Carol, just returned from a visit with her parents in Manchester, England, where her father is an exchange professor at the University of Manchester. She also visited the Continent. JOHN SOURS was recently honored by being selected to join the staff of the William and Mary Law Review at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. Our good wishes go with Marie McQuillen who joins her husband, Gary, who is stationed in Nuremberg, Germany, as medical corpsman. They expect to remain in Europe for a year.

LANDSCAPE - E. J. Raynes

ROLAND WALLACE went to Washington, D. C., on October 17 to attend a Fraternity Ball. While there he visited friends and relatives in Washington and nearby Maryland. DANIEL LOUDEN, DOUGLAS JOHNSON and THOMAS BANKS have re-joined Landscape for the winter months after having worked for Archaeology. THOMAS SMITH has utilized some of the material which he salvaged from the Wetherburn outbuildings to build himself an addition to his house.

BEN GILBERT is the first deer hunter to report his kill - a nice eight-point buck the first day. Other men who have taken vacations during hunting season are HOMER PURCELL, MATTHEW MEEKINS, MOSES ARMSTEAD, CHARLES SPENCER, HERBERT OTEY, THOMAS ROANE, GOODWIN COBB, ADDISON WALLACE and RICHARD STEWART. Ted Rogers, who is attending V.P.I. and who has been an employee for three summers, visited us during his Thanksgiving holiday.

INTERPRETATION - Frances Turney

ED ALEXANDER spoke to the administrators of the National Trust for Historic Preservation properties on November 8 in Washington.

Your reporter enjoyed having her son Bobby home during the Thanksgiving holidays. He is studying forestry at Wayne Community College in Goldsboro, N. C. Another son, Dickie, has arrived in Germany with the U. S. Air Force.

PURCHASING & ESTIMATING - Susan Page

Congratulations to PAUL EPLEY who recently became the grandfather of an eight pound, seven ounce boy, Brian.

Your reporter is back in town after spending the weekend with her family in North Carolina. Welcome back to ED WATKINS who has been in the hospital.

INFORMATION CENTER - Charlotte Farmer

LEANNE THOMPSON has recently visited Hawaii with her husband, Lt. Robert Thompson, who was on R&R leave from Vietnam. We welcome MARY MONCRIEF, PAUL FRAZIER and ALISON MATTOX to the Center Desk. ROGER TATUM is on vacation in Kentucky. We will miss Marilyn Hornback who is leaving us this month.

HOSTESS SECTION - Page Laubach

We are all sorry to see "Tina" King leave Williamsburg. LINDA PARKER is enjoying her nursing training and weekend hostess duties. JOYCE CURTIS, LINDA PARKER, LOUISE PARKER and your reporter helped celebrate the First Thanksgiving at Berkeley on November 19.

We welcome all new hosts and hostesses. They are: FAY ALEWYNSE, MARIAN BERGEY, MARY KATE DAVIS, RITA DOW, GIBSON GALLACHER, GRACE GREENWOOD, JANA HOLLIDAY, CHARLES HUXSAW, GAIL MAY, CAROLYN MCGREGOR, BOBBIE MOORE, EVELYN PIKE, EUGENIA PRUETTE, DONALD SCHRIEBER, JOAN STRONG and AUDREY WEILER. A special welcome back goes to former hostess LINDA SCOTT.

We have enjoyed seeing former hostess Percy Hicks Severn and meeting her English husband, Clifford Severn.

TREASURER-COMPTROLLER - Jo Waldrep

JIM and ELIZABETH MIKKELSON SPEAKE were married on October 14. After a Bruton Parish Church wedding, they left for a week's vacation in the Shenandoah Valley and Washington, D.C. Former employee Pat Schnyder was in town for the wedding, and she visited her friends in the accounting office. November 3 was the date of a departmental celebration. A birthday party for BOB EVANS was complete with the birthday song, ice-cream, and a large cake boasting three candles.

ROSE BARBER has been working in the Craft House accounting office since October 23. We look forward to her return to the Goodwin Building in late December or early January. LINDA and ARMOND CAMPBELL have moved into their new house in Norge. We wish them luck and speed at getting settled after the chaos inevitably created by moving.

The computer has finally arrived and is a constant reminder that we'd better say on our toes; we can be replaced!

MO&M - Editor

Our sympathy goes to FRED MAYFIELD whose mother died November 11.

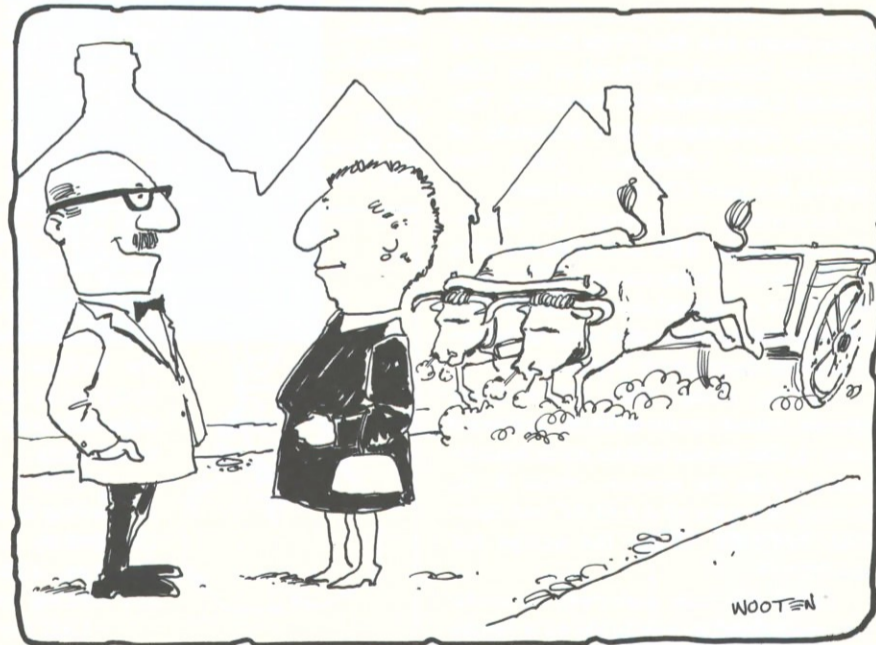
CAFETERIA - Elizabeth Robinson

We are glad that JANE PARRISH, ROBERT MCGILVARY and MOSES JOHNSON's mother are out of the hospital. Get well wishes go to CLARENCE BURREALL who is in Riverside Hospital.

Congratulations go to CHEF BONNER who has recently moved into his new home in Spring Field Terrace. JAMES JONES and JOHNNIE DARDEN spent quiet vacations at home while FLETCHER COTTON visited his family in Hampton. VIVIAN SHEPARD spent a few days with her family in Wilmington, North Carolina. EDNA ROBERTS spent the weekend in Tallahassee, Florida.

ARCHAEOLOGY - Margaret Williams

We extend wishes for a speedy recovery to our reporter, NORMA LINKOUS, who is out sick.



"... NONSENSE DEAR - YOU LOOK LOVELY IN RED!"

Clarence I. Taylor

The CW NEWS joins all employees in extending sympathy to the family of Clarence I. Taylor who died November 19 in an automobile accident.

Clarence was employed in 1963 as a waiter at the Williamsburg Inn. He had also worked for CW on a number of occasions from 1943 to 1962.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy O. Taylor, two sons, two daughters, his parents, two brothers and a sister.

Lyman Peters Tops 20 Years Of Service Here

Lyman L. Peters, director of Purchasing and Estimating in the division of AC&M, marked his twentieth anniversary of service on December 1.

A native of Massachusetts, Pete joined CW in 1947 as estimator for Construction and Maintenance. He worked later as construction superintendent and in 1953 he was named general superintendent of Restored Construction. Two years later he became director of Operating Services and in 1959 he assumed his present position as director of P&E.

Pete and his wife, Mary, have a daughter and two sons. His hobbies include golf and fishing.

Rudolph Bares Elected To VH&MA Post

On December 2, Rudy Bares, Jr., CW's vice president and director of VA&M, was elected president of the Virginia Hotel and Motel Association for the coming year. The action came during the organization's 31st annual convention held at The Homestead hotel in Hot Springs, Va.

At their recent meeting, the VHMA, representing 146 hotel and motel properties across the state, also singled out John D. Green, former CW vice president and director of VA&M, as the first recipient of the "Distinguished Service Award" for "outstanding contributions to the Virginia innkeeping industry."

John retired in 1964 as vice president of WRI after more than 40 years of experience in hotel administration. He was succeeded at that time by Rudy. John is a past president of the American Hotel Association which counts members throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean.

Suggestion Award

Alice B. Williams and Kathleen L. Dickerson, hostesses in Presentation, have each won cash awards for their suggestions of a helpful and practical nature.

Zennie Randall Retires After 14 Years Here

Zennie Randall, Inn kitchen helper in the Division of Visitor Accommodations and Merchandising, retired on December 1 after more than fourteen years of service with Colonial Williamsburg.

Zennie began working for CW in 1948 as a dishwasher and kitchen helper at the Travis House and King's Arms Tavern. She was transferred to her most recent position in 1953.

Zennie, who is a widow, has five daughters and four sons. Three of her children are CW employees - Rosalie Minkins, Edith R. Jones, and Elwood Randall.

Zennie is enjoying spending her free time with her children and her fourteen grandchildren.



Elizabeth Callis, presents the hostesses' coat of arms to Nancy Bozarth, CW hostess with the longest record of service here.

Hostesses Receive Coat Of Arms At Governor's Palace Ceremony

Five of CW's long-time employees in the Presentation division were on hand at the Palace last week as Elizabeth Callis, hostess training supervisor, presented the newly-framed and painted official coat of arms of the Colonial Williamsburg hostesses to Nancy Bozarth, the CW hostess with the longest record of service.

Nancy and Mrs. Callis, along with hostesses Muriel Spencer, Winifred Mackey and Minnie Pate, were present when the coat of arms was first presented to the group at their tenth anniversary dinner in 1944.

The coat of arms was originally designed for the 1944 occasion by the late T. Rutherford Goodwin, then in charge of the hostess corps. It was printed on the cover of a souvenir booklet commemorating that event.

The emblem's design consists of various symbolic objects which relate to the role of the hostess in Colonial Williamsburg. According to Elizabeth Callis, the bananas on the shield and the thermos bottles flanking the shield were necessary items for the hostess working here in the 1940's and before. She explained that the hostesses at that time did not have access to refrigerators so that fresh fruit and thermoses were popular among those hostesses bringing their lunches.

Frank Jacobs Tops Twentieth Year Here

Frank S. Jacobs, maintenance carpenter in the Division of AC&M, marked his twentieth anniversary here on September 29.

Frank worked on several occasions and in several different positions from 1941 to 1947 when he became maintenance carpenter apprentice with AC&M. One year later he achieved his present position of maintenance carpenter.

A native of Virginia, Frank is a member of the Lion's Club and of the Masons. His wife, Betty, also works for CW as receptionist in the Goodwin Building.

Proud Parents

James A. Kee, Lodge cook, a daughter, Carla Jeanette, born September 28, 7 lbs., 1 oz.

Joseph L. Jones, Landscape gardener, a daughter, Vickie Jolanda, born October 11, 4 lbs.

Robert Roy Tobler, VA Comptroller night auditor, a daughter, Angelina, born October 15, 8 lbs., 3 oz.

Carolyn M. Spraker, Personnel clerk, a daughter, Elizabeth Weddington, born November 3, 5 lbs., 14 oz.

Two CWers Celebrate 15 Years Of Service

Two employees recently topped their fifteenth year of service here. Pictured below are: Dorothy W. Williams, Costume Shop seamstress, November 24; Richard Austin, Building Maintenance labor foreman, December 15.



Bloodmobile Visit Slated Dec. 12

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be here December 12, at the Wesley Foundation Building next to the Methodist Church. The Bloodmobile will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The blood donated will be used in the making of life-saving serums and other derivatives - many of which are being used in great quantities in Vietnam. Blood donated to the Red Cross here will also go to meet the needs of local hospitals.



ABOVE, the official coat of arms of CW hostesses.

The hostess figure shown at the top of the shield holds a book in one hand and a key in the other hand. Mrs. Callis noted that the key symbolizes the hostesses' affiliation with the exhibition buildings while the book calls to mind the amount of studying that each hostess undergoes during her training here. The crossed knitting needles shown in the background represent one of the favorite pastimes of the hostesses.

Beneath the shield is the motto in Latin, "Always the Same," and below that is the identifying word "Hostess."

This coat of arms has been permanently hung in the hostesses' room at the Governor's Palace.

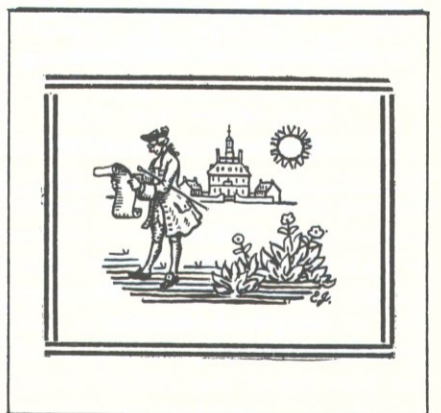
McCasky Elected To Honorary WWBF Post

Thomas G. McCasky, CW vice president and director of Development, was recently elected honorary vice president of the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace Foundation in Staunton, Virginia.

Tom was named to the post after having served two years as chairman of an advisory committee to help the Foundation develop a travel promotion program.

In Staunton on November 17, Tom spoke to some 300 members of the Woodrow Wilson association and outlined a program of development for 1968. David Lawrence, the well-known columnist, and Senator Willis Robertson also spoke on the program.

David K. E. Bruce, U. S. Ambassador to England, was elected honorary President of the Foundation.



"20 Plus Club" Holds Annual Meeting

The third annual reception for the "20 Plus Club," whose members have served Colonial Williamsburg 20 years and more, was held November 27 at 3:30 p.m. in the Virginia Room at the Williamsburg Lodge.

Service awards were made to all employees who became eligible for 30 and 20 year awards in 1967. They are listed below. Those who achieved 25 years of service in 1967 were also recognized at the meeting.

CW president Carlisle Humelsine, who presented the awards, noted that with the addition of this year's 22 new members to the club the group represents a combined total of 4,002 years of service to Colonial Williamsburg.

After the presentations, Mr. Humelsine talked briefly on two phases of CW operations. He explained the dual ticket program and the reasons for its postponement after which he made some comments on the overall structure of financing CWI and WRI.



TWENTY YEARS

- Tearussell Burrell
- Archie M. White, Sr.
- Howard D. Brindle
- Frank S. Jacobs, Jr.
- Irving J. Wright*
- Nathan Talcott
- Homer Purcell*
- Henry G. Page
- Lyman L. Peters
- James Douglas
- Ralph Carter
- Louise White
- Lola Larson
- Samuel R. Thomas
- Rebecca Daniel
- Viola Melvin
- Rosalie Minkins
- Talmadge Alphin
- Sallie Alphin
- Gertrude Ball
- Bonnie Brown
- Raymond R. Townsend
- *not present

THIRTY YEARS

- Arthur P. Ward
- John W. Shepperd, Sr.
- James Jones, Jr.
- Bruce B. Hardy
- James M. Knight
- William Thomas Wallace
- Ethel Kelly
- Fred Crawford
- James E. Wallace
- Cue Willis
- Roosevelt D. Harris
- Mildred Layne
- Minnie Pate
- Virginia Holmes

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