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## Voice of Democracy Workshop To Bring Students, Teachers

Key high school students and teachers from communities throughout the state will gather here on the week-end of February 17-19 to discuss democratic principles of today and of the 18th century when the first Voice of Democracy Workshop gets underway.

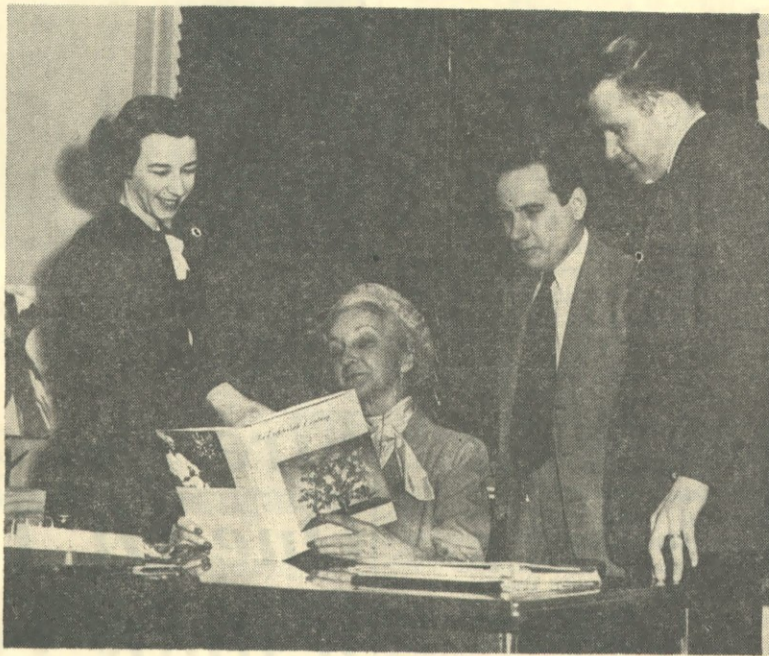
The Democracy Workshop, developed by Ed Alexander and the Interpretation and Public Information departments will be held in connection with the prize-winning visit to Williamsburg of the four national winners of the Voice of Democracy Contest. The four national titlists will participate in the Workshop along with local winners and possibly other key students from all over Virginia with their teachers and sponsors. The Junior Chamber of Commerce has fostered the national contest, and many Jaycee chapters in the State are sending local winners of the contest to the Workshop as part of their prize.

### Group Schedule

Included on the week end schedule for the group will be panel discussions on "Democracy in Eighteenth-Century Virginia," and "Our Democratic Faith Today," the showing of special films on democracy and despotism, as well as the Williamsburg orientation program, tours of Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown, and ceremonies with the four national winners highlighted by the broadcast from the House of Burgesses Chamber of the Capitol on Monday, February 19. Last year the VOD winners were addressed in Williamsburg by General George C. Marshall and John D. Rockefeller, 3rd.

The Workshop is designed to provide an inspiring and informative appraisal of our democratic principles, from the point of view of their original conception and their present day application, for the key students and their teachers to carry back to their classrooms and to their communities.

This year's broadcast will feature a G.I. wounded in Korea and Mr. Rockefeller as speakers.



**HAPPILY INSPECTING** the first copy of Mrs. Fisher's **Eighteenth-Century Garland**, are (l. to r.) Casey Miller, the author Tom Williams, and Bev Chaney.

## Newest CW Publication Coming Out Next Month; Produced By Teamwork

Colonial Williamsburg is tentatively planning a party in honor of Mrs. Louise B. Fisher which will take place a few days before the publication of her long-awaited book *An Eighteenth-Century Garland: The Flower and Fruit Arrangements of Colonial Williamsburg*. The exact time and place of the pre-publication party are to be released when final plans have been made. Employees are to be invited.

Mrs. Fisher has been in charge of the flower arrangements in the Exhibition Buildings for many years. When the flower arrangements in these buildings became the subject of intensive study, Mrs. Fisher was placed in charge of this work. She had previously

love of fine flowers as decorations in their homes. **About the Book** Mrs. Fisher's book is about flowers and fruits and their use in the restored buildings and in the modern home. She recounts the rewarding discoveries she made when, as part of her work for Colonial Williamsburg, she set out to learn what flowers were known to eighteenth-century Virginians and in what manner (Continued on page 2)

## Duncan, Wallace, Rhoads Elected To WRI Board

Robert A. Duncan, Williamsburg banker, Robert P. Wallace, Williamsburg businessman, and Webster Rhoads, Richmond department store executive, have been elected to the Board of Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., it was announced here today by John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, Chairman.

Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., is the business corporation responsible for the operation of Williamsburg Inn, the Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg Theatre, Craft Program and the business properties. Whenever profits are made from these operations, they are turned over by Restoration to Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., its sole stockholder, which uses them to maintain Colonial Williamsburg and further its educational program.

### Action Described

Mr. Rockefeller described today's action as "a recognition of the Restoration's growing need for the sound counsel of men who can bring the point of view of business experience both in the community and in Virginia at large to our operating problems here."

The election of Mr. Duncan, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Rhoads brings to nine the directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc. Other members are John D. Rockefeller, 3rd., Kenneth Chorley, Vernon M. Geddy, Winthrop Rockefeller, Vanderbilt Webb, and G. S. Eysseil.

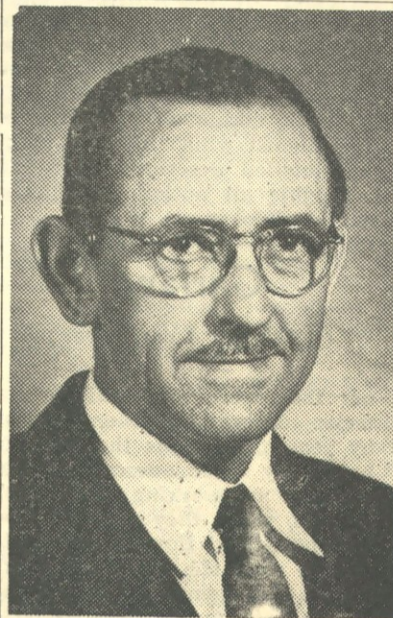
### Local Businessmen

Mr. Duncan is president of the Peninsula Bank and Trust Company of Williamsburg and prior to his coming to Williamsburg he was connected with the Massanutten Bank in Strasburg, Virginia. He attended the College of William and Mary. Active in civic affairs, Mr. Duncan is president of the Williamsburg Chamber of Commerce, past president and secretary of the Rotary Club, a member of the Williamsburg School Board and is treasurer of the Jamestown Corporation.

Mr. Wallace, a businessman and resident of Williamsburg since 1913, is owner of the College Shop and President of Madison's Inc. He is a graduate of the College of William and Mary, former secretary of the Alumni Board and holder of an Alumni Medalion for outstanding service to the institution. Chairman of the first Community Fund Drive last year, he also is past president of the Williamsburg Chamber of Commerce and a charter member of the Williamsburg Rotary Club.

### Richmond Executive

The third new member of the Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., Board of Directors, Mr. Rhoads is president of Miller & Rhoads, Inc., of Richmond. He attended the University of Virginia and has served as president of the Richmond Retail Merchant's Association, is First Vice-President of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Vice-Chairman of the Richmond City Planning Commission, and was Chairman of the Richmond Area Community Chest Campaign for 1946. He also is a member of the Board of Mary Baldwin College and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.



DUNCAN



WALLACE



RHOADS

**Victor G. Page, labor foreman in CW's Maintenance Department, passed away on January 6 at Dixie Hospital in Newport News. Vic had been employed by CW off and on since 1928. He had been sick for only a short time and his untimely death has been a shock and a great loss to his many friends and associates.**

## Directors, Trustees Increase Annuities

### Benefits Payable Under Revised Annuity Plan Will Average One-Third Larger Than Formerly.

At their meetings in December, the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees voted to increase the benefits payable to employees under the Colonial Williamsburg Annuity Plan. Benefits in general after January 1, 1951, will be one-third larger than the previous benefits.

The increased annuity benefits will cost Colonial Williamsburg about forty dollars more per year for each employee in the plan whereas the additional cost to the employee himself will be no more than six dollars per year. A formal announcement of the revised plan is being sent to all employees by Dick Talley, Director of Personnel Relations. Incorporated in this announcement are figures prepared by the Treasurer's office giving estimates of each employee's annuity purchased through the 31st of December, expected annuity to be purchased from January 1st, to age 65 and estimated Social Security benefits. The total of these three items will approximate the employee's expected retirement benefit.

To obtain the increased benefits the insurance company requires that each employee sign a card which will be attached to the formal announcement. Mr. Talley requests that these cards be signed and returned promptly to the Personnel Office.

Those few eligible employees who are not now members of the annuity plan will recognize this as a valuable opportunity to plan for the future security of themselves and their families. Any employee eligible for the CW Annuity Plan who wishes to become a member may do so by contacting the Personnel Relations Office in the Goodwin Building.

## Safety Reminder

As we enter into the new year, a year that could possibly bring the greatest stress on manpower in the history of this organization, it seems fitting that we briefly review the past year and see how CW manpower was treated, to see how we treated ourselves during 1950.

The employee average of CW last year was 1127. In that period we had reported 245 on-the-job accidents. This means that we averaged 2 accidents every 3 days for 1950, counting every day of the year. It means that slightly over 21 per cent of our employees suffered the pain and inconvenience of injury on the job. It means that the same percentage of employees operated at varying degrees below full efficiency during 1950.

To get a true picture of these figures we must realize that a large percentage of CW employees perform duties of a non-hazardous nature. However, we all have one great arch enemy, whatever our assigned duties. This enemy is CARELESSNESS. Let's get rid of him.

For every member of CW we wish a safe, healthy, and happy 1951.

—CW Safety Committee.

## Date Changed

The Community Square Dance Group will meet February 10 at 8:00 p. m. at the Lodge. All CW employees, their wives or husbands, or friends, are invited to attend. This dance was originally scheduled for February 24.

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG  
NEWS

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It might be worth mentioning that this is an excellent time of year for a review trip through some of the Exhibition Buildings. Washingtonians are notorious for never having visited the Capitol, Library of Congress, Lincoln Memorial and many other attractions in the capital city. It is reasonably safe to assume that there are some among us who have not made the rounds right here in Williamsburg, and with the January slack in visitors, the time could not be better for some good old sightseeing right in your own front yard.

We were happy to see the Fire Marshal instructing employees on the use of fire extinguishers, but hasten to add that we hope no one will have to make use of their knowledge. Remember the old lines about an ounce of prevention? They certainly hold true where fires are concerned.

UNDOUBTEDLY many of you are familiar with the company services and discounts available to CW employees, but for the benefit of those who may not know of them, let's have a quick look. CW's laundry offers laundry and valet service at popular prices, the same service which is afforded guests at the Inn and Lodge. This service, at a nominal cost, is as fine as any in town and is yours for the asking. Pick-up and delivery service, however, is not available and, one who wishes to take advantage of the employee rates must be his own delivery man.

Employees are also entitled to a 20% discount on any articles they purchase at the Craft House. The Lodge offers a coupon book, worth \$10.00 in food at the dining room, for only \$6.00.

## Harper Wins Award

Francis L. Harper of C & M received \$10.00 last month for his suggestion that a light be installed by the fire exit ladder at the second floor of the Inn west wing.

In 1777 Jefferson's celebrated Virginia Bill for Religious Freedom, which so effectively expressed the theological and legal basis of what has come to be the peculiarly American concept of complete separation of Church and State, was introduced into the Virginia Assembly at Williamsburg.

## Food For Thought

Recently a Boston salesman who was visiting Williamsburg heard one particular Virginian boasting about the heroes of Yorktown who defeated the whole British army.

"I'll bet you never had anybody so brave 'round Boston," challenged the Virginian.

"Did you ever hear of Paul Revere?" asked the Bostonian.

"Paul Revere?" answered the Virginian, "Isn't he the fellow who ran for help?"

## Meet The Staff



Betty Jo Fletcher, who shares an apartment with accountant Joyce McCoy on South England Street, graduated from Virginia Intermont College in Bristol. She worked as secretary in the Office of the President there before coming to Williamsburg. Since her arrival here in May of 1949, she has been secretary to the Curator. Currently she is taking on the duties of Accessionist which involves making detailed descriptions of and cataloging all antique purchases, gifts, and loans.

## Garland

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ner they were combined for interior decoration. Then, season by season, she tells the story of her busy year, describing her methods of working with fresh flowers, when they are cut, how the short-lived flowers are treated, the steps she follows in making an arrangement, and how she adapts each to the place it is to fill. In the section devoted to "Winter's Pleasant Ornaments," she tells how one may have floral arrangements throughout the winter season. It gives full instructions for gathering materials and for drying them without loss of form or color. Brief biographical notes on eighteenth-century horticulturists, an essay on sources, and an index to plants giving the varieties grown by CW complete the book.

### Photographic Work

Photographs for the book, including eight color pictures, were taken by Tom Williams. He had to use imagination and the skill of his profession to capture the mood of the book. This was done by the use of appropriate 18th century settings and props in photographing the arrangements. It was necessary, also, for Tom to be on the spot when an arrangement was ready for him, since delay in taking the pictures may have detracted from their value. He has done a masterful job in the portions of the book for which he was responsible. Jack Turner deserves laurels too for the processing of the color pictures which is a very exacting job calling for the highest professional skill.

### Publication Details

Casey Miller and Bev Chaney of the Publications Department have handled (and continue to handle) the many details connected with the production of a publication. Bev is responsible for the sale of the book to bookstores here and throughout the country, arranging for autographing parties, and the publicity and reviews of the book. The Public Information Department has helped him in this last matter. Casey has worked tirelessly on editorial revisions, organization of the front matter, bibliography, notes, index and proofs.

With teamwork from all, a highly useful and worthwhile product has come forth, and sales are expected to reflect the recognizable value of the book.

Patrick Henry, later known as the "firebrand of the Revolution," made his famous "Caesar-Brutus" speech in the Capitol at Williamsburg, Virginia, on May 30, 1765.

## British Army Papers Filed In CW Vault

The manuscript records of British Army Headquarters in America during the Revolution contain official notes of General Thomas Gage, Sir William Howe, Sir Henry Clinton, and Sir Guy Carleton as commanders-in-chief. The papers were removed from New York at the time of the British evacuation in November, 1783. They were turned over to the Royal Institution at London in 1804.

The British Headquarters Papers remained in the keeping of the Royal Institution for 125 years, and in 1929, Dr. Rosenbach of Philadelphia purchased them. (The Royal Institution, at that time, needed forty thousand pounds to repair the old building in which the papers were housed, and in order to raise the money they sacrificed the Headquarters Papers). In 1930, Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., purchased the collection from Rosenbach and presented them to Colonial Williamsburg in 1935. From 1930 to 1936, the papers were deposited in the New York Public Library and in 1936 they were removed to Williamsburg.

### Many Originals

More than half of the collection in the possession of Colonial Williamsburg falls in the period of Carleton's command, 1782-1783, and these are originals. For this reason, in Great Britain these were occasionally called Carlton or Dorchester Papers, for Sir Guy later became the first Baron of Dorchester. There are also contemporary copies of papers for the previous commands, originals of which are in the William L. Clements Library at Ann Arbor Michigan.

The collection consists of 10,434 manuscripts embracing 28,052 pages, bound in 107 volumes, including two special boxes and two long cylinders. Volume I contains papers dated 1747 through 1775. Thirty-four volumes are devoted to the years 1776-1781, and sixty-five volumes cover the years 1782-1783.

### In Manuscript Vault

The papers were housed in the vault of the Capitol at Williamsburg from April 1936, until November, 1946, when, in the custody of the Archivist of Colonial Williamsburg, they were removed to the Treasurer's vault in the Goodwin Building. In April, 1950, the papers were placed in the manuscript vault adjacent to the Archives Department Search Room in the Goodwin Building.

Positive photostat copies on linen paper were made by the New York Public Library and bound in buckram. These were sent to Williamsburg in December, 1938, and are available in the Colonial Williamsburg Library. Negative bromides of these photostats are available in the New York Public Library. Permission to use the original papers, or to have reproductions made in either Williamsburg or New York must be obtained from the Archivist of Colonial Williamsburg.



CW VOLUNTEER FIREMEN (l. to r.) Hugh Hit-chens, Monier Williams, Bill Landon and Fred Mayfield, with Fire Marshall Jayne and Engineer Frank Epperson on the driver's seat.

## Fire Department Is One Of The Finest Within The State

(Second in a Series of City Government Articles)

The history of the Williamsburg Fire Department goes back to the pre-Revolutionary period when the first organized efforts to prevent and fight fires took place in 1772. At that time legislation was enacted to provide a watch "to consist of four sober and discreet persons" whose duty it was to patrol the streets from ten o'clock in the evening until daylight the next morning. Along with other duties, they were "to be ready, in case of accidents-by-fire, to give their assistance toward extinguishing the same." Since that early beginning, the Department has advanced through numerous stages of development and a goodly number of fire chiefs to its present state as probably the finest Volunteer Fire Department in the State of Virginia.

## Wedgwood Exhibit

An exhibition of famous Wedgwood pottery opened at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts last Friday, January 13. The showing will last through February 25 and is termed the most comprehensive exhibition which has ever been on tour in this country.

On loan from the Wedgwood Museum at Barlaston, England, the exhibition offers a panorama of Wedgwood wares across three centuries and represents the visual history of the accomplishments of ten generations of a single family whose name has become a household word.

Hensleigh C. Wedgwood, President of Josiah Wedgwood & Sons, Inc., has participated in each of the Williamsburg Antiques Forums held in recent years and at the 1951 Forum he will speak at each session on successive Thursday nights.

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## FIFTEEN-YEAR SERVICE PIN

is presented to Mrs. Imogen Etheridge by Bela Norton while Ed Alexander and Rose Taylor look on. Mrs. Etheridge completed fifteen years of service on December 28th.

The present Fire Marshal of Williamsburg is Elliott W. Jayne who came here from New York in July of 1950. His fire fighting began back in 1936 when he joined the Stony Brook, New York, Fire Department where he remained until 1942. At that time he was employed as captain at the Fort Totten Fire Department, and during the following year he went to Halloran General Hospital in New York City as chief. During the war he headed one of the stations at Sampson (New York) Naval Training Station, thereafter returning to Halloran. In the period before his arrival in Williamsburg, he was Fire Chief and Safety Engineer for the Lockheed Corporation at MacArthur Field, and also found time to teach basic fire fighting to volunteer companies in New York, a job for which he was employed by that state.

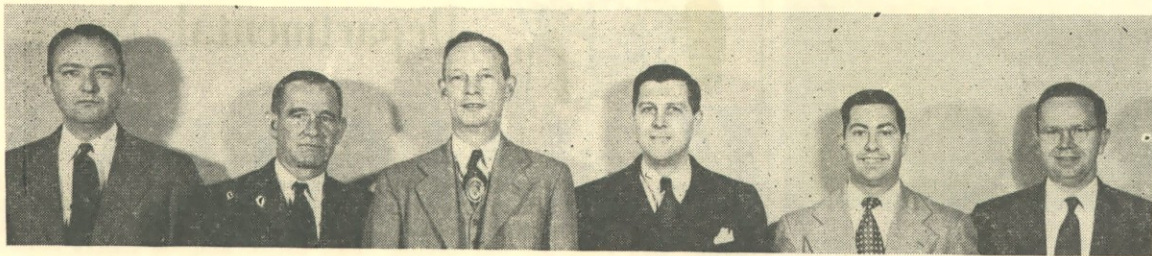
### New Features

Williamsburg was fortunate in securing the services of a man so eminently qualified to serve as its Fire Marshal. Since his arrival here he has done much to improve the department. He has established a training program for firemen in which they study all phases of fire fighting, rescue, salvage, prevention, the chemistry of fire, hazardous liquids and gases, and fire laws and administration. He has increased the active membership of the volunteer group from fifteen to forty, attendance at fires from eight to twenty-three; new equipment has been purchased and old equipment repaired and put back into service, providing a total of twenty-four complete working outfits; much public relations work has been done to make the citizens of Williamsburg more fire-safety conscious; he has made tours of Eastern State Hospital, the College of William and Mary, and Colonial Williamsburg, and has given reports and suggestions for their improvement in fire safety. These are a few of the many improvements which Fire Marshal Jayne has undertaken and carried out since his appointment.

Williamsburg has, in addition  
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**FIRST HALF BOWLING CHAMPIONS,**  
Bob Evans, Rod Jones, Ollie Amon, and Billy Humphrey.

accounting team, are (l. to r.) Gilly Grattan, W. J. Blackwell,



**New Start,  
Alley Cats  
Top League**

With the recently revised bowling team schedule barely underway, the proud team which appropriately prefers to call itself, "The Alley Cats" has climbed into a leading but still precarious place. The "Cats," captained by Barbara Bishop and composed of Joyce McCoy, Lorraine Evans, Angie Koch, Betty Toler and Frances Amon, beautifully meow of their five victories and purr inwardly of their one defeat. The latter was at the hands of the number two team, "The Sad Sacks" captained by Lois Churchill. The "Sacks," now without in grasping position of the No. 1 spot, have pulled no punches in their efforts to "Sack" the "Cats."

The other two teams are the "Killers" led by Grace Raiter and the "Bowling Belles" of Ann Neblett.

All four teams are relatively untested as yet but certainly it appears that when the bowling season is concluded the judges can award prizes to any of the teams on the basis of their selected team titles.

Team	Won	Lost
Alley Cats	5	1
Sad Sacks	4	2
Killers	3	3
Bowling Belles	0	6

Team High Set, "Killers" 1301  
Team High Game, "Killers" 460  
Ind. High Set, Angie Koch 307  
Ind. High Game, Lorraine Evans 117.

Note: The Killers and the Bowling Belles didn't have enough players out on 1-10-51 to make it legal. Let's come and support our teams.

**English Speaking Union  
Seeks To Establish A  
Branch in Williamsburg**

The English-Speaking Union is a service organization which was begun in 1920 and which now has 15,000 members and thirty-six branches throughout the United States. It is a group of persons who desire to do something concrete to further good will and cooperation among the English-speaking peoples of the world, a sort of promotional society for international friendship. During the war, the ESU did much to make evacuees feel more at home on our shores, and conducted a variety of war relief programs.

Currently, the Union has a number of programs underway which help to span the ocean and knit the English-speaking peoples of the world more closely together. Among them are programs for educational exchange, hospitality

**Perfect Attendance**

The following employees passed another service anniversary during December with a perfect attendance record for the preceding year:

Robert H. White, Exhib. Bldgs. Nouvelle Green, Exhib. Bldgs. James W. Jones, C and M. Walter Martin, Jr., C and M. William T. Shannon, C and M. Clyde Wallace, C and M.

Charles Moore, Inn and Lodge. The name of Adra Moody, Inn and Lodge, should have appeared in last month's perfect attendance column.

**Service Recognition**

Hostess Imogen Etheridge recently received a fifteen-year service award (see cut). Milton Betts, top left, bellman at the Lodge, received his ten-year service award on January 4th. Also pictured is Willie Meekins, of C and M, who was unavailable for photography at press time in December when his ten-year service recognition was mentioned.

His ten-year anniversary took place on the eleventh of November.

(for foreign visitors to the U. S. and for American visitors to the British Commonwealth), "pen friends," books across the sea, lecture series, and publications.

Dr. J. Blair Buck of Richmond is President of the Virginia Branch of the ESU, and at his suggestion a meeting was held last Friday at the Lodge in order to determine whether or not a branch of the organization could be established in Williamsburg. (Often there are foreign visitors to Virginia who wish to come to Williamsburg and other points of interest on the peninsula.) At present, the only member of the Union in Williamsburg is Chris Gillespie, secretary to Ed Alexander, who belonged to the ESU before coming here to work. Present at the meeting were a number of national officers of the Union who came to Williamsburg at their own expense from New York to speak about its aims and programs.

Any who wish to learn more about the ESU and how they can help in extending hospitality to visitors from the British Commonwealth should contact Miss Marguerite Wynne-Roberts, Dean of Women at the College of William and Mary, who is sparking the drive for a branch in Williamsburg.

**Fire Department**

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to Jayne, two other paid employees in the Fire Department, Engineers Alvin Robertson and Frank Epperson. One of the engineers is on duty at all times.

In years past, Williamsburg has had an average of 85 to 100 fires per year, something less than two fires a week. This average has decreased somewhat in the past six months, and during the month of December, the only loss by fire was a chair. The Fire Marshal attributes this favorable record to the publicity which served to make citizens more conscious of the possibility of fires during the Christmas season with the resulting added caution by all.

**Modern Equipment**

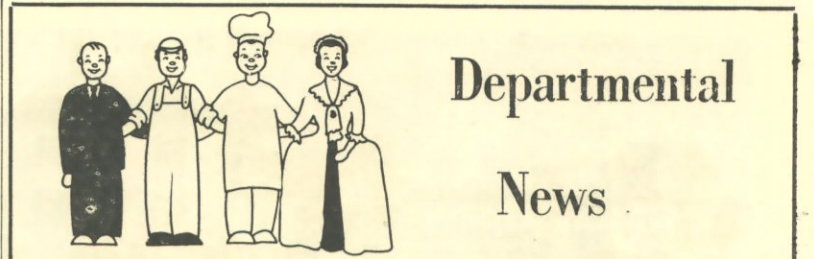
The main equipment, of course, for any fire department consists of its engines. Williamsburg has two excellent engines, plus an ambulance, and a recent model Ford for the Fire Marshal. One of the engines, purchased in 1942, is an Oren 500 gallon pumper (500 gallon per minute capacity). This has a 300 gallon booster tank, carries a total of 1900 feet of hose varying from one to two and a half inches in diameter. It also has other necessary items of equipment including aluminum ladders and fog nozzles. In 1949 a heavy-duty Mack fire truck was purchased by the city. This engine is capable of pumping 750 gallons per minute, is fully equipped, and is the latest word in modern fire engine design. The maintenance of ambulance service by the Fire Department was recently brought under the protective financial wing of the Community Chest, as it had been maintained previously by the volunteers themselves and there was danger of losing the service because of lack of funds. All volunteers are required to take first-aid instruction.

On a typical call, the siren atop the fire house sounds off to let all volunteers know that there is a conflagration. The truck or trucks leave immediately for the scene of the fire while the car awaits any volunteer firemen who can get to the fire house in a few minutes. Then it also goes to the fire. Here in Williamsburg, firemen can call the operator to find out the location of the fire, and then they are expected to get there via any means available to them.

**Reorganization**

The reorganization of the fire department, which is still in progress, will provide two engine companies, one ladder company, and one for salvage work. Men may come up through the ranks from privates to the officer grades of lieutenant and captain, and then may run for assistant chief. A time limit is set for officers, two years being the longest period that any one rank may be held. Jayne believes that any man can become a good fire fighter if shown the results he can achieve with modern equipment. He holds that it is a case of gaining confidence in one's self through experiences with fire fighting. Among the crew of active volunteer firemen, CW has a number of representatives. They are John Bailey, Charlie Hackett, Melvin Haynes, Hugh Hitchens, Bill Landon, Floyd Martin, Fred Mayfield, Ralph Wightman and Monier Williams.

An award is waiting in the Personnel Office for the employee who submitted unsigned suggestion No. 5234.



**Departmental  
News**

**ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT**

The department is delighted with the new shelving which arrived two weeks before Christmas. The records room is now rearranged and all the records are accessible again.

We were fortunate to have ERNEST PRIEST, a former member of the department, with us during his Christmas vacation to assist us with shelving the records and rearranging the records room.

LESTER and DOROTHY CAPPON have as guests their mothers, MRS. JESSE CAPPON from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and MRS. E. J. BERNET from La Crosse, Wisconsin. . . . BEVERLEY and LOUISE CHANEY spent Christmas in Baltimore, and New Year's in New York. . . . JOHN and MARY KENT CREASY spent Christmas in Richmond.

**DIVISION OF INTERPRETATION**

Things are humming in this area in anticipation of two very successful weeks of the Antiques Forum. DICK SHOWMAN is busy nowadays on a special training program on which Colonial Williamsburg is collaborating with the Army. . . . BILL GEIGER was home for Christmas and New Year's and visited the office. He reported back to Fort Hood, Texas. . . . BILL BOEHLING left us the first week in January to take a job with the Department of Sanitation in his home town, Richmond. . . . After having commuted from Yorktown these many months, ESTHER JONES has decided to make her headquarters in Williamsburg. . . . CHRIS GILLISPIE spent New Year's weekend visiting friends in Philadelphia. . . . BOBBIE LEE PAYNE began working the first of January in the Photographic Laboratory. She is from Prague, Oklahoma, and her husband is now stationed at Fort Eustis. . . . ALICE FEHR spent her Christmas vacation at home in Austin, Texas. . . . PEGGY HITCHCOCK is now an authority on train roomettes. She traveled to Connecticut for Christmas, back to Williamsburg. . . . JACK TURNER visited in Washington, D. C. over the holidays. . . . BEV CHANEY leaves the middle of January for an extensive trip to promote Mrs Fisher's book and to act as ambassador of good will for Colonial Williamsburg. Northern cities will include Philadelphia, New York, New Haven, Hartford, Springfield, Worcester, Boston, Providence, Stamford, Wilmington, Baltimore, and Washington. On his Southern journey he will stop at Nashville, Chattanooga, Birmingham, Atlanta, Charleston, Savannah, Winston-Salem, and Raleigh.

**CURATORS DEPARTMENT**

MARY VAN BUREN spent New Year's week-end in Baltimore visiting relatives. . . . LUCILE FOSTER was in Norfolk visiting over New Year's week end. . . . HALLIE CARPENTER visited with her family during the Christmas holiday. . . . NELLIE NEESE spent New Year's week end in South Hill. . . . DOROTHEA JENSEN had as her guests during the Christmas holidays her sister and nephew from New York. . . . ROSE LEATHERBURY of Pescagoula, Mississippi joined our staff on January 1 as secretary in the Curator's Department. Her husband is stationed at Fort Eustis. . . . FLEMING and SUE BROWN have returned to their duties at the Palace after enjoying a vacation. . . . CORNELIA TAYLOR made a recent trip to Washington due to the illness of her sister.

**INSTITUTE**

MARGARET KINARD spent the Christmas holidays with her family in Clemson, South Carolina. . . . DR. and MRS. ADAIR and family spent Christmas holidays in Monclair, New Jersey with her family. They both saw MR. CARL BRIDENBAUGH, former Director of the Institute in Chicago. He is on the faculty at the University of California at Berkeley and likes it very much. They also saw BROOKE HINDLE, former Research Associate of the Institute. BROOKE is an assistant-professor at N. Y. U.

**GAOL AND GUARDHOUSE**

With the firing of the salute to the New Year on New Year's Day, the Guardhouse and Gaol crew settled down to its winter schedule. . . . DUDLEY WILKINS has returned from a two weeks vacation, having twice interrupted his leave to supervise the firing of the guns on Market Green. . . . About six hundred more people visited the Gaol last year than in 1949. . . . Visitors to the Magazine more than doubled those in the six months for which records were available for 1949. . . . Guardsmen and Gaolers were enjoying the fine samples of tobacco sent from the Apothecary Shoppe by NORMAN MARSHALL.

**CRAFT HOUSE**

There was a general exodus of Craft House staff for the Christmas holidays. Most members visited their various families in almost as many different directions. . . . CATHARINE DORRIER went to Scottsville, PAGE FOLK and CLARA OLIVER to the Eastern Shore, and CAROLINE COCHRAN visited in Ashland. Two of our members went farther afield—BETTY CAHALL to Gambier, Ohio and CLARA CHARLTON to Sweetwater, Alabama. JEAN GIESELMANN spent the holidays with friends in Pennsylvania, and ANNE READ flew to Cazenovia, New York to spend New Year's. . . . EDITH and BUD ODELL gave a delightful Christmas party for Craft House and needless to say everyone had a marvelous time. . . . BETTY CAHALL has accepted a position in Washington, D. C., and leaves Williamsburg on January 15th, to assume her new duties.

**RECEPTION CENTER**

We all had a merry Christmas, and are looking forward to a happy New Year. . . . We were entertained beautifully by MR. and MRS. SHOWMAN at their open house party. Everything was delicious, especially the egg nog. We would secretly like to have recipes of the cookies and tid bits that were served. Mmmmm! . . . A new addition has just been added to our staff. CHARLES WALLACE is our new janitor. . . . GENE CROW left to enlist in the Air Corps. Our best wishes go with him. . . . BOB STACKHOUSE is planning on moving to Norfolk soon. Sorry to lose Bob, but we know he will be happy in his new job with a law firm. . . . ANN and BILL BIPPUS had quite an exciting week end at the Chamberlin Hotel. That's a good way to start the New Year off. . . . BETTY TOLER had a marvelous time at the gala New Year's party held at Williamsburg Lodge. She was one of many late for work the next day but promises to do better as the year progresses. . . . VIRGINIA FIELDS reports she and BUD FIELDS had a grand Christmas in Maine. "Not much snow, but plenty cold." . . . A little late, but congratulations to MR. and MRS. WALTER THAXTON on the arrival of their newest heir who is now two months old. . . . MR. and MRS. NICHOLAS of New York, recent guests at the Inn, entertained our VASHTI STEINWACHS at dinner while visiting here. . . . We have been terribly worried about ROSE BROOKS. She slipped on a rug in her home and had a slight head injury. However she is much better now and will be with us again during the Antiques Forum. She and her husband just spent a very enjoyable time visiting the Smithsonian Institute in Washington. . . . JAY (Hot Lips) BALL is still tooting the trumpet and DICK WITHINGTON is playing the beat of the drums for the Kashouty orchestra. . . . After our exciting activities of the Christmas holidays, we are settling down with new interest and enthusiasm toward making the guests of the Restoration welcome, and telling them the many interesting things they should see.

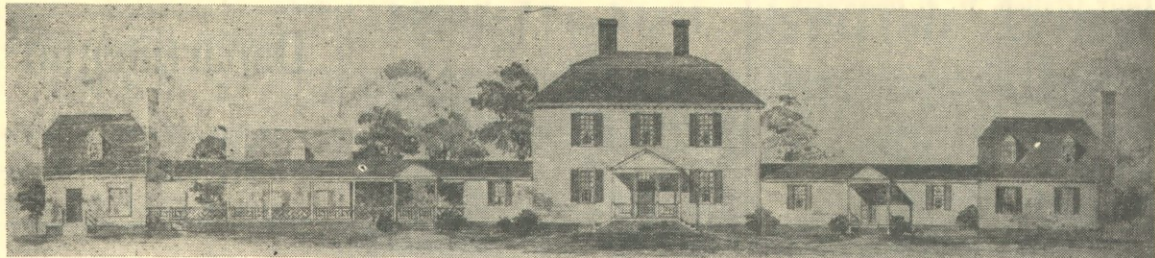
**Dance Statement**

Here follows a statement of the Employee Dance held December 8, submitted for publication by the Dance Committee:

Expenses	
Orchestra	\$125.00
Ballroom Rental	25.00
Doorman	5.00
Juke Box	1.00
Beverages	6.07
Tax	21.08
Total Expense	\$183.15

Receipts	
Total Receipts	\$124.00
Balance from previous dance	62.25
Total Receipts	\$186.25
NET BALANCE	\$ 3.10



## FURTHER RESTORATION

struction of the shop (far left), kitchen (behind covered-way, left), and quarters (right) in addition to the covered-way connecting the front flanking buildings and other garden and outbuilding reconstruction on the rear portions of the property.

## Carter - Saunders House Will Under-Go New Changes

Further restoration of the Carter-Saunders House on Palace Green to the way it looked at the maximum development of the property in the 18th century is due to get underway shortly.

Plans and working drawings for the additional restoration work have been completed by the architectural department under the direction of Ernest Frank with landscape work handled by Alden Hopkins and now merely await scheduling in Charlie Hackett's busy construction program.

The work which will return the Carter-Saunders House to its late 18th century elegance as one of the most interesting and handsome residences in the city includes garden restoration and reconstruction of several outbuildings along with covered-ways connecting the two flanking buildings on the front property line with the house.

The additional restoration has been made possible by the archaeological excavations conducted under the direction of Jimmy Knight on the south side of the house after the non-colonial Foster House was removed from the site two years ago. The excavations revealed the foundations of the long covered-way, kitchen and other outbuildings which had been indicated when the main house was restored in 1932 but which could not be completed then. At that time the main house was restored along with the ancient brick outbuilding since the full development of other features could not be carried out on property not then owned outright.

The covered-ways, closed on the north side and open on the south with a traditional railing showing the Chinese influence, will be the principal features in the new restoration work along with the two outbuildings facing the street and the new porch at the front door in accordance with old designs and archaeological evidences. Dr. Kenneth McKenzie's shop, built about the mid-18th century while he owned the house, will be reconstructed at the south end of the covered way and the old kitchen with its outside oven will be reconstructed slightly behind the covered-way between the house and shop. To the rear, the Meat House, Chariot House, Stable and Kitchen Garden will be reconstructed. On the other side of the property next to the Palace, a frame outbuilding which probably served as servant's quarters will be reconstructed at the north end of the covered-way and directly in front of the existing brick outbuilding. Further garden restoration includes landscaping and an orchard.

Numbered among the occupants of the Carter-Saunders House during the 18th century were a royal governor, a colonial chancellor, a treasurer of Virginia, a surgeon-apothecary, and a President of the College of William and Mary, Robert Saunders. Governor Dinwiddie lived there from 1749-1751 while the neighboring Governor's Palace underwent repairs.

## Salute Speight

Charles Speight, Headwaiter at the Lodge, was recently selected as **Outstanding Worker** and an article about him will appear in "The Better Worker" at some future date. This publication regularly carries a column in which one particularly top-notch worker is saluted in each issue.



## JOHN ALLGOOD,

Blacksmith at the Deane Forge, turns out a wide variety of 18th-century articles by hand, following the trade of his colonial predecessor.

## Blacksmith Is Ex Georgian

Seventeen years ago John Allgood began working in the granite quarries of his native Elberton, Georgia as a stone cutter. He was sixteen years of age and worked only in the summer months until he had finished school. Soon after graduation, John went to work full time in the quarry but noticed that the stone dust had a marked bad effect on the health of some of the older men who had spent years at the trade. He resolved then and there to choose another field for his career. Since the granite quarry had its own force of blacksmiths who made and repaired the cutting instruments used there, this seemed like the most logical and convenient choice. In the years that followed, John Allgood became a very fine blacksmith.

### War Work

When the war came along, John went to work for the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company. He remained with them until about fourteen months ago when he was brought to the Deane Forge at Williamsburg. His work here is different in that he is turning out only 18th-century products rather than modern tools and equipment. Among other things, John makes all the shoe buckles for the 18th century type shoes worn by costumed employees. He also fashions such items as candleholders, trivets, toasting forks, andirons and small souvenir horse-shoes for visitors. At present, John is working on twelve candle-stands for the King's Arms Tavern.

### Bird's Eye View

By his contact with the many visitors who call at the Deane Forge, he gets a real bird's eye view of the American people. Many of them ask if he is really working or if he is just pretending, and when he answers that he is working they wish to know where he learned the trade, one which nearly passed into oblivion with the invention of the horseless carriage.

John is very fond of his work and gets great satisfaction from turning out items by hand. He feels that the atmosphere of Williamsburg is something to be absorbed rather than observed by those who live here.

## Mobile Blood Unit Arrives Here Feb. 5

The Mobile Blood Unit of the American Red Cross will be at the Bruton Parish House on February 5 to receive donations from persons in Williamsburg and the surrounding area. The 1951 quota for this area for each of the three trips made here during the year by the unit is 175 pints while the quota for the 1950 campaign was only 125 pints for each trip. The need for blood during recent months has increased since much of it is going to Korea and because a stockpile of plasma is being developed for civilian defense purposes.

Through cooperation with the Red Cross in the donating of blood, citizens of the Williamsburg area will have the privilege of using blood from the supply at Eastern State Hospital. There will be no charge for blood thus obtained. In the event that a certain type of blood is not available from the laboratory supply at Eastern State, any type may be obtained in a few hours from the larger Red Cross supply at Norfolk. Although the blood itself can be had at no cost, a doctor may make a nominal charge for laboratory and type-matching work in connection with its administration. An arrangement has also been made with Richmond hospitals to supply free blood for patients from the Williamsburg area.

Donations of fresh blood can be kept for a limited time only, about three weeks, but by converting it to plasma by the removal of cells it can be kept in stockpiles for an almost indefinite time. Plasma in fact can be used in some cases more effectively than fresh blood. Blood derivatives are also used in certain specific cases. Plasma is very effective in cases of burns and radiation sickness, the very cases which would be most common in the event of an atomic bomb attack. It is not likely, of course, that Williamsburg would be selected as a good target for an attack, but the Naval Operating Base at Norfolk, the Navy Yard at Newport News, the Naval Mine Depot at Yorktown, and the Naval Supply Depot at Cheatham Annex are all possible targets. Should these strategic points come under attack, it would be necessary for those outside the bombed area to lend assistance, and the citizens of Williamsburg would be logical candidates to extend the helping hand.

Those wishing to make blood donations should contact the local Red Cross Office, Dr. Granville Jones at Eastern State, Russ Carneal, or Monier Williams.

## Antiques Forum Will Begin Next Monday

The Third Annual Williamsburg Antiques Forum will get underway next Monday, January 22, with the arrival here of antiques lovers, students, collectors, and experts from all parts of the country for the first of two five-day sessions. The second session will begin on the following Monday, January 29.

During each of the two sessions, registrants will hear lectures on a variety of subjects related to colonial furniture and furnishings, and on colonial lighting, early American tools, English silver and furniture, paintings, and American folk art. In addition to the morning lectures, there will be discussions between the experts and the



## Departmental News

### HOSTESS SECTION

Once again, Christmas and another year have gone into the discard. In spite of war tensions and the unsettled world conditions the season was one of the brightest here in many years. Perhaps the reason was that the old saying "Eat, drink and be merry"—never seemed better followed. . . . There were many small, informal egg nog parties with a very extra-special one given by MRS. EDWARD ALEXANDER and MRS. RICHARD SHOWMAN at the home of MRS. ALEXANDER on Thursday following Christmas. We hostesses turned out en masse for this one and it was delightful. As always, family reunions were high on the list of satisfying enjoyment. MRS. PHILIP DEWING had all of her family with her, coming from Baltimore, Washington and Annapolis. MRS. H. M. STRYKER'S daughter, EVELYN, was here from New York City, and MRS. T. C. EAST'S daughter, MARY ANNE, came from Ward Belmont College, Nashville, Tennessee. MRS. TOM PEYTON'S son, LT. HENRY PEYTON drove down from New York for a week. . . . Some of the hostesses journeyed to distant places for the holidays: MRS. FRANK ADOLPH to sunny Florida and MRS. A. G. TAYLOR to snowy Indiana. MRS. RUSSELL WING spent Christmas week end with her sister in Baltimore and MRS. M. E. GREEN visited family and relatives in Baltimore and Washington. . . . The JOHN SMITHS went to Fort Monroe, Virginia for several days with MRS. SMITH'S parents. MRS. H. H. WERMUTH spent Christmas with her sister in Richmond. MRS. EMMETT ATKINSON left soon after Christmas for a visit with her daughter in Lynchburg, Virginia. MRS. J. O. MACKEY has been added to the grandmother list. Her son, JIMMY, and wife have a daughter born in Richmond on December 13, where MRS. MACKEY spent most of her Christmas vacation. . . . Now things are slowing down, we are enjoying the quiet days but are looking forward to the Antiques Forum which is the next bright spot on the Restoration calendar.

### C & M

ROBERT MILLS, records clerk with ED WATKINS, recently resigned to accept work at Cheatham Annex. He is succeeded by JAMES F. FOARD of Newport News. NEAL HICKS, automotive section, left the past week for army enlistment. SID GARDNER is back at his signs after a reportedly pleasant vacation trip in his new Ford. New members of Goodwin Building janitorial staff are SALLY KATE ROSSER and BERNARD ROSSER of Harpersville, Va. JAMES MOORE field engineer, is back on the job after a minor operation. WALTER STEWART, landscape, recently returned to work after a brief illness. We are glad to have him back. . . . FRANKLIN G. TEMPLE is a newcomer with NORMAN HARMON in carpentry shop. JOHN ANDREWS, paint section, returned last week after a pleasant vacation. MAURICE E. DUKE is a new CWER in automotive section. JAMES WALLACE, JR., is back at his window washing. He reports a pleasant vacation. We extend our sympathy to EWELL JONES, whose wife recently died after a long illness. DAVID WALLACE expects to move into his new home in Highland Park at an early date. DOUGLAS JOHNSON, construction, and RICHARD JONES, landscape, have returned from recent vacations. BOB WILLIAMS left CW last Friday and will report at Camp Meade, Md., at the end of this week. Good luck Bob.

### PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Norwegian ship, Fernficrd on which ALMA LEE ROWE made her Mediterranean trip this summer came into Norfolk over the past weekend. Captain Aksel Kristensen and Mrs. Kristensen and young daughter, Chief Mate Arne Skadberg and Chief Engineer Waldemar Wenner visited Mrs. Rowe and viewed the exhibition buildings while they were in port. . . . HOLMES and MARY ELLEN BROWN visited New York City and Schenectady over the holidays. While in New York they saw "Call Me Madam." . . . MARY LEE FITZGERALD visited FRANCES DIEHL in Roanoke over New Year's. . . . BOB HOKE went to Washington where he conferred with newspaper, magazine and syndicate representatives. . . . TOM MCCASKEY spent several days in New York helping to put the finishing touches on our new travel brochure. . . . We were glad to welcome DON PIEDMONT back after a week's illness. . . . We are happy to scoop the society columns of the local newspapers by announcing the engagement of ANN NEBLETT to Edward Grimsley. Ed will graduate from William and Mary at mid-semester.

### I & L

Christmas, along with its usual gaiety, brought many of our friends and former co-workers home for the holidays on furloughs. Among them; MCKINLEY TABB, PAUL ORANGE, PLATO MORROW, JR., EDDIE LEE PALMER and HOLLIS ROSS. JAMES TABB, waiter at the Lodge was lucky enough to get his vacation during the holidays and spent most of it in the woods trying to bag his third deer of the season, but with no luck. CORNELIUS PALMER started his two weeks vacation January 1st, and is spending the time at his home. his hme and get in some more shooting before the deer season ends. JAMES WALLACE is also on a two weeks vacation. The vacation came at a good time following the holiday rush. The Williamsburg Cavaliers lost their first game of the season to the Hampton Pace-makers by a score of 56 to 49. CUE WILLIS, JR., waiter at the Inn left on January 8th to be inducted into the Army. He will be missed by all, including the Cavaliers. JOHN ROBERTS, waiter at the Lodge, volunteered for duty with the Armed Forces. JOHN TOMLINSON, a former cook at the Lodge, is now stationed in California. During the Christmas holidays, the Bruton Heights Choir rendered a program at the Lodge which was enjoyed by our guests. WILBERT WALLACE, formerly a waiter at the Lodge, was home for the holidays from Virginia State College where he is a member of the senior class.

registrants over afternoon tea, trips to the Exhibition Buildings and craft shops, as well as the opportunity of a tour of Shirley Plantation on the James River, thirty-five miles from Williamsburg.

### Employee Attendance

It is recognized that many employees are interested in the Forum and will desire to attend some of its sessions. However, in permitting employee attendance, CW must be careful that there is no imposition on the privileges of paying guests, some of whom will have come from great distances. Employees have a work responsibility that may, in many cases, conflict with their desires to attend the sessions. Where the work load of a department warrants, the department head may permit an employee to absent himself from his duties for a portion of the day to attend a session of especial interest or benefit to him. Requests should be made of your department head unless the session you desire to attend is held at a time

when you are not scheduled to be at work. Employees may gain admission to the day or night sessions by merely presenting their Employee Passes at the Reception Center at the time of the session. Wives or husbands of employees may attend the evening session free of charge, by the presentation of the employee's pass.

### Special Arrangement

Local non-CW citizens will have the opportunity to attend the sessions of the 1951 Antiques Forum at a special local rate which takes into account the fact that such citizens will not be staying at the Inn or Lodge. A twenty-dollar registration fee will permit local enthusiasts to attend all of the sessions of the Forum. Should they desire to go to individual sessions, or to all the sessions of one day, this may be accomplished by paying \$2.50 each for morning and evening sessions, or \$5.00 for a whole day. Interested persons may purchase identification badges at the Reception Center at the time of the session they wish to attend