



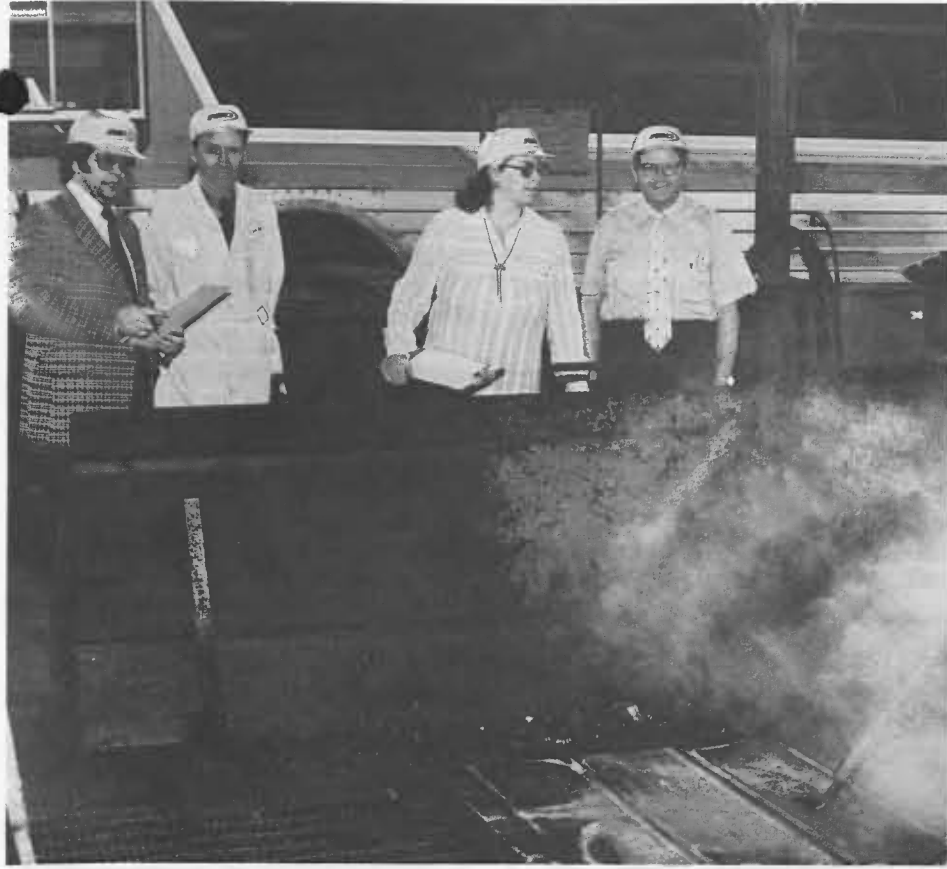
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Southern California Rapid Transit District

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Employees pitch in to conserve water, energy



AUTOMATIC SHUT-OFF valves have been ordered for steam cleaners such as this one located at South Park in an effort to conserve water and energy. Members of the employee conservation committee were led on a tour of South Park's facilities by Bob Falvey (second from right), superintendent of South Park Shops. From left are Pete Alatorre, accounting; Falvey; Donna Hockenbury, marketing; and Max Zollman, bus facilities engineering.

To help save energy in concert with the current national conservation effort, the District has reinstated the energy conservation program which proved so successful in 1974 during the height of the energy crisis.

In order to provide a broad spectrum of expertise and guidance for this program, an employee energy conservation committee was appointed. The group was appointed by the executive staff for the purpose of developing, monitoring and evaluating the District's energy conservation efforts.

To date the results have been encouraging, according to Bill Weaver, director of safety. Using January 1977 as a base period, to date through March with those consumption bills received, RTD has registered a 15.4 per cent reduction (7,698 thermal units) in gas consumption, a 16.9 per cent (157,603 kwh) reduction in electricity and a 17.4 per cent (157,100 cubic feet) reduction in water.

"In February members of the committee visited all separate operating locations to identify specific areas where energy waste was occurring and to recommend solutions," Weaver said. "Recommendations for proper water, gas and electrical use and normal main-

tenance activities, such as repairing leaking faucets, turning out lights and adjusting hot water, heater and air conditioning thermostats were made to the appropriate manager. High natural gas users were identified and an engineering study is currently underway by the Gas Company to recommend ways to reduce consumption in these locations."

The evaluation of the Headquarters Building revealed that light levels were too high. As a result, Weaver said, the light level was reduced to 80-100 footcandle power in actual working areas and 40 footcandle power in hallways. "More than 700 fluorescent light tubes were removed where they weren't necessary," Weaver added. "And specific monitoring procedures were instituted to insure that all lights and copy machines are turned off when not in use."

Pursuant to the public declarations by the Governor of California and the Mayor of Los Angeles that a water shortage was imminent, a State Assembly resolution requested all agencies to review their water usage and to advise the Department of Water Resources of water conservation practices placed into effect.

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Computer memory bank to aid RTD telephone information operators

The District's telephone information operators will soon be adding words like "terminal, mode, and input" to their vocabulary.

These words will form an integral part of their training in how to operate a new computerized passenger information system which the District will soon install, thanks to a \$1.1 million grant from the federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration.

The grant is for the purchase and installation of supplemental computer equipment and includes funds for the first stage of the telephone information system.

Over \$100,000 of the grant will be used to establish a pilot program serving the San Fernando Valley portion of the District's service area. The RTD will be the first transit agency in the country to set up a program to use computers in giving bus service information to the information operators.

In Philadelphia, the information services use a computer-assisted microfiche system to aid their operators. However, the RTD's passenger information system is the first of its kind.

In the test program, six to eight of the RTD information operators will use "typewriter-like" computer terminals with video screens at their stations to feed callers' questions into the District's computer.

Answers to bus service questions will then be retrieved from the computer's memory bank, printed and shown on the video screen.

Retrievable information will consist of the fare a passenger will have to pay on a specific route, how an RTD passenger can travel from point A to point B, what is the route of a line and alternate route suggestions.

At present, a typical phone call to RTD for information takes up several minutes of an information operator's time and involves the use of schedules, maps, or route-change bulletins in order to answer the caller's questions.

With the new information system, operators will be able to give answers to a caller's questions in just a fraction of the time it now takes.

According to Jack R. Gilstrap, RTD general manager, the completed system is expected to lower the cost of handling bus service information calls by more than 15 per cent and increase the volume of incoming calls by more than 10 per cent.

Chief of Telephone Information Barbara Hagen states "With the new system, we hope to improve the quality of information given out and increase the number of patrons we can efficiently and accurately serve."



Video display will replace many of operator's reference materials

S.D. Clark: Long drive to RTD's No.1 operator

When Sherland Clark first started working in March, 1937, little did he know that one day he would be the number one employee on the driver's seniority list.

Clark, known as S.D. by his friends, has been a driver for 40 years, longer than any other active operator. He has devoted four decades of his life driving for the RTD and its predecessor agencies, and although he worked one year at another job, Clark admits, "L.A. public transportation is the only real job I've ever had."

A native of Iowa, Clark became an operator six months after moving to Los Angeles. "Since I learned my way around the city by driving the bus, I had quite a bit of trouble at first directing passengers," he said.

Clark has had few difficulties driving buses since then. "Credit should go to good instruction given during training," he said. "Even today, it's available at any seniority level."

He first decided to drive a bus because it was regarded as an above-average job which offered permanent employment. He admits his wife was also influential in his decision, and they still laugh about

the time when he first started driving a bus.

"We were the poorest of the poor. My wife used to joke with me saying if I ever found a job that pays



S.D. Clark, No. 1 in seniority

well, she was going to move," he said. After the first day of training, I came home and found a note on the door saying, 'I've moved.'"

Working the maximum 11 hours and 45 minutes a day, Clark says he enjoys the hours. "I've always worked the maximum hours. I'm glad of the opportunity. I don't get as tired of it as my wife," he laughed. "My wife has been extremely understanding with the amount of time I've spent on the job."

Presently working Line 770 out of Division 10, Clark remembers

when there was only one division. "There wasn't any choice of divisions for the operators to transfer. We didn't even have a union."

After four decades of driving, he still doesn't get bored

(Editor's Note: This article was submitted by Sharon Boyd, a journalism student at Cal State Los Angeles.)

He also remembers the days when he drove streetcars. Tokens were used as fare; four for twenty-five cents. "Women were streetcar conductors during World War II. They were called conductorettes." He thinks women operators today do a good job.

Clark prefers buses to streetcars, however. "Buses have better safety control and can be re-routed without problems," he said.

He prefers to stay on the 770 because he's well acquainted with traffic patterns. "I don't get bored

with the routine," he explained. "Every job, regardless of the type of work, has some sort of routine."

Clark is not all work, though. For relaxation he likes to swim. "We have a pool at home. I'm not a Mark Spitz, but I manage to stay afloat."

Most of the operators with his seniority have already retired, but he has chosen to stay until his mandatory retirement date in January, 1979. He said he'll miss the job because it's been a part of his life since he was 22 years old.

He plans to devote time to the things he's always wanted to do after retirement. "I'll divide my time into three parts: Service to God, entertainment and work." By work, Clark refers to his household duties. He and his wife have bought, renovated and sold property since 1940.

If he could relive those 40 years, Clark would rather be a division manager with the District. He said a manager's position would give him an opportunity to be more involved with the agency.

His advice to new operators is to take advantage of all instruction given during training. "You'll have a better foundation if you decide to go into other fields," he said.

Wells named to top M&E Post

George Wells has been appointed to the position of General Superintendent of Maintenance & Equipment, replacing the retired George Powell.

Wells has been with the District and its predecessor agencies for more than 31 years, having advanced through various levels of supervision in the department.

Wells' previous position was that of Deputy Administrator for Operations Equipment, which involved the specification and acquisition of all types of new machinery and equipment.

Bowling sign-ups

Interested in joining a bowling league? Employee Relations would like to hear from you if you are.

Possible locations and times are Java Lanes in Long Beach on Saturdays at 5 p.m., Cerritos Lanes in Cerritos on Fridays at 9 p.m., or Crown Bowl in Long Beach on Tuesdays at 9 p.m.

Call Betty Sconce on 6580 and let her know which location you prefer.

'Save Our Bears'

Break for the SOBs!

The Southern California SOBs (Save Our Bears) is an organization of CBers and California Highway Patrolmen joining together to try to make the freeways and highways safe and to give a helping hand to those motorists in need of help.

The first CB break will be at 12 noon on Sunday, July 17 at Baldwin Park Moose Lodge, 14233 Morgan Street, Baldwin Park.

Join the SOBs on Sunday, July 17 for hot dogs, cokes, coffee and prizes. If you want further information about the Southern California SOBs, contact Ray Hart, "RTD Minibus #1," at 358-0989 or write to P.O. Box 5451, El Monte, CA 91734.



PARTICIPATING in the awards ceremonies are (from left) Jay B. Price, director; Tom Tegtmeyer, maintenance manager, Division 8; Content; Jim Cenderelli, transportation manager, Division 3-10; Tyler; Robert Williams, manager of customer relations; and Cook.

Employees of month saluted

The Board of Directors recently honored three employees for their outstanding service to the District and to the riding public.

Juanita Cook was presented with the Information Operator of the Month award. She has earned the nickname of "Speedy" because she handles more than the average number of calls and her caller commendations specifically note her speed, efficiency and courtesy. On top of that, Cook was also complimented for the patience and helpfulness that have made her such a valuable asset to the District.

John Tyler of Division 3 was selected as the Operator of the Month, and was cited for his outstanding skill and dedication. Tyler, who has been an operator for 30 years, has received more than 40 passenger letters of commendation, and has not had a single missout in more than 15 years. The Board feated him as one of those special people who form the backbone of the District's operation.

Vincent Content, Division 8 mechanic, was honored as the Maintenance Employee of the Month. As a 30-year employee, he was complimented for his consistent dedication to duty, day in and day out. His professionalism has earned the respect of his fellow employees, as a mechanic and as a person.

Ham operator classes offered

Classes for obtaining a novice license in amateur radio (ham) operation will be offered at Division 8 on Thursday evenings.

Bob Arkow, Division 8 operator, will be teaching the classes. Arkow states the classes will prepare anyone for the examination to obtain licensing from the FCC. The test will be given at the Division at the end of the course.

Anyone wishing to prepare for a higher class license than novice can benefit from these classes, Arkow reports.

For further information on start dates of the classes, call Bob Arkow at 989-4320.

Off-Road results

The results are in on the Memorial Day weekend Off-Roaders rally! The event held at Pop's Oasis in Las Vegas was run on the Mint 400 course, which is known as the toughest off-road course in the world.

Rubin Carbojal, Division 12 operator, and his co-driver Dan Dine, also an operator from Division 12, placed third in the 4 x 4 Division.

Juan Cardoza, Division 12 operator, Jerry Champagne, Division 11 operator and Lonnie Anderson, Division 1 operator, entered the race, but were involved in accidents and were not able to finish.

Champagne, president of the Off-Roaders, reports this event was the first time RTD did not finish in the top places of an event.

Anyone interested in Off-Roaders is invited to a get together on July 16 & 17 at North Fork above Highway 39 in Azusa. Or call Jerry Champagne at 771-3859 (days) or Lonnie Anderson at 294-3920 (evenings) for more information.

Layover Zone

Sharon Knapp has lots of talent in Reserve

Editor's Note: The Layover Zone is a column dedicated to you, the employee, and your leisure time activities. The following article is the first, we hope, of many articles describing what you do with your "layover" time. Please submit your articles describing your special hobbies, activities and/or interests to the Headway editor, 425 So. Main St., Los Angeles.

Sharon Knapp loves people. She has volunteered to raise funds for various community activities, such as the March of Dimes and the City of Hope, and she loves crafts, camping and traveling. At the moment, though, her primary leisure hours are spent with the U.S. Army Reserves.

Although there is an old adage which says that man cannot serve two masters, there are still many people in the District who split their time between the RTD and Uncle Sam.

Sharon Knapp, telephone information operator, spends one weekend a month and a minimum of two weeks each summer in training for the United States Army Ready Reserve.



IN HER TRAINING AS an Intelligence Analyst in the Army Reserves, Sharon Knapp is learning how to determine if the information spys bring back to the U.S. is correct. After a recent "tour of duty" in Marketing & Communications, Knapp is returning to work on the telephone information switchboard as her full-time endeavor.

Knapp joined the Army Reserves through the Civilian Acquired Skills Program (CASP) a year ago. The CASP program allows a recruit to enter the Army at a rank much higher than the average entrance rank. "It takes advantage of the fact that you have skills and education," Knapp said.

Assigned to the 734th Military Intelligence Company in Pasadena, Knapp will be attending the Sixth Army Intelligence Training Area School this summer.

"We'll be studying the weaponry, planning strategies and staffing of foreign armys," she explained. "This is training to become an Intelligence Analyst—being able to determine if information spys bring back to the U.S. is correct."

Upon completion of the school, Knapp will be qualified as an Intelligence Analyst and be promoted to Specialist 5 rank.

"I'm intrigued with military intelligence," she added. "It is really different from anything I have been involved with to date."

Knapp serves as a unit clerk, a job which entails lots of paperwork and filing. She also serves as the

Public Information NCO, and is a member of the Race Relations/Equal Opportunity Council.

"We don't have any race problems," Knapp said. "However, there are not that many women in the Army now and most of us are feeling our way through."

Improving the image of the WACS is vital. "Most of the guys are chauvanists. They feel either that they have to do all the carrying and heavy work or that women get away with murder. My role on the Council is to promote the women as intelligent human beings. Women are not joining the Army just for something to do."

In basic training, Knapp explained, women undergo the same intensive routine as the men recruits. "There was lots of marching. . . marching everywhere. . . lots of polishing boots, shining brass, even tear gas training. The roughest part, though, was pitching tents on the rocky Alabama slopes."

The Army Reserves turn Sharon Knapp's leisure hours into hard work. But she insists that she wouldn't have it any other way.

District Toastmasters receive charter and install officers

It's official! On June 15 the RTD Toastmasters Club was presented Charter No. 1063 by District Governor Rudy Valle at a dinner meeting at Luminaria's Restaurant during festivities planned for the occasion.

There were 37 guests including Directors Byron Cook, who spoke to the group, and Director Gerald Leonard, who visited with some of the members.

Paula Salido, secretary in the Administration Department and newly elected club president, acted as Toastmaster for the evening. She introduced the guests and explained the objectives and programs of Toastmasters International, a club dedicated to self-improvement in communication and leadership.

At each meeting, the members will undertake various responsibilities, including: Toastmaster, who makes the introductions and provides a connecting thread throughout the meeting; Table Topics Master who provides each

of the members with a subject to speak on extemporaneously for a maximum of two minutes; Speaker, who delivers a five- to seven-minute speech which he has prepared in advance according to guidelines provided in the Toastmasters Communication and Leadership manual. Following the speech, an Evaluator gives constructive criticism to the speaker on what the high points were and how he might improve his technique, thereby learning to listen as well as speak. A General Evaluator critiques the entire meeting and a Timer announces the time of each speech. At the end of the meeting, an award is given to the best speaker of the evening. Members practice parliamentary procedures throughout the meetings.

Director Byron Cook told the audience about his first experiences in Toastmasters which he joined several years ago. After some practice he won his Area, District and Regional speech con-

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR Rudy Valle (left) congratulates Paula Salido, Administration Department secretary, on her installation as president of RTD's chapter in Toastmasters International. At right is Director Byron Cook who served as a guest speaker.

Recreation News

Olympics and RTD day with Dodgers on tap in July

With the Summer Olympics almost here, we could use more contestants. If you overlooked sending in your entry blank, you can still enter your favorite events on the day of the meet. All you have to do is be at Cal State L.A. at 9 a.m. on Sunday, July 17, and be ready to participate. Remember to bring or wear soft-soled shoes as spike shoes are not allowed.

Sunday, July 24, is the annual RTD Day at the Dodgers with the Dodgers taking on the New York Mets. As an additional treat, every kid 14 or under will receive a Dodger helmet. The price this year is still \$3 so plan to bring the whole family.

Looking ahead to August, you'll

want to remember several big events. On August 6 and 7, the second annual Bus Rodeo eliminations will be held at Santa Anita Race Track parking lot. The 14 Divisional winners of that event will be competing on September 11 for the chance to represent the District at the Nationals in Atlanta, Georgia. If you missed last year's Rodeo for some reason, you'll not want to miss it this year. Operators from all over the system will be doing what they do best for the chance to represent their Division and nothing would make them happier than to see their family and friends cheering for them.

Also in August will be a return engagement of the exciting stage

production "The Wiz" at the Ahmanson theatre. We have arranged for a Friday night, August 12, performance at the discount price of \$13.25 each. Call Betty at Ext. 6580 for information and tickets.

Prior to that we offer Debbie Reynolds starring in Irving Berlin's "Annie Get Your Gun." RTD employee seats are located in the orchestra section of the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion at the discount price of \$12.25. The date will be Wednesday, July 20, at 8:30 p.m. You won't want to miss this show.

Rounding out the happenings for August will be the first really big, old fashioned, family-pleasing picnic. We've gone all out to arrange for a day you'll remember all year. Plenty

of mouth waterin', finger lickin' food in addition to games, fishing, hay rides, swimming, pony rides and much, much more. And would you believe that you get all this plus bus service to the picnic for an incredible two bucks each. Tickets and information are available by calling Betty at Ext. 6580 or sending your check made out to RTD for the number of tickets you want. Because a large portion of your picnic costs will be paid for out of the Employee Recreation fund we must limit ticket sales to employees and their immediate family, and to retirees and their immediate family. Please, no neighbors, friends, relatives or acquaintances.



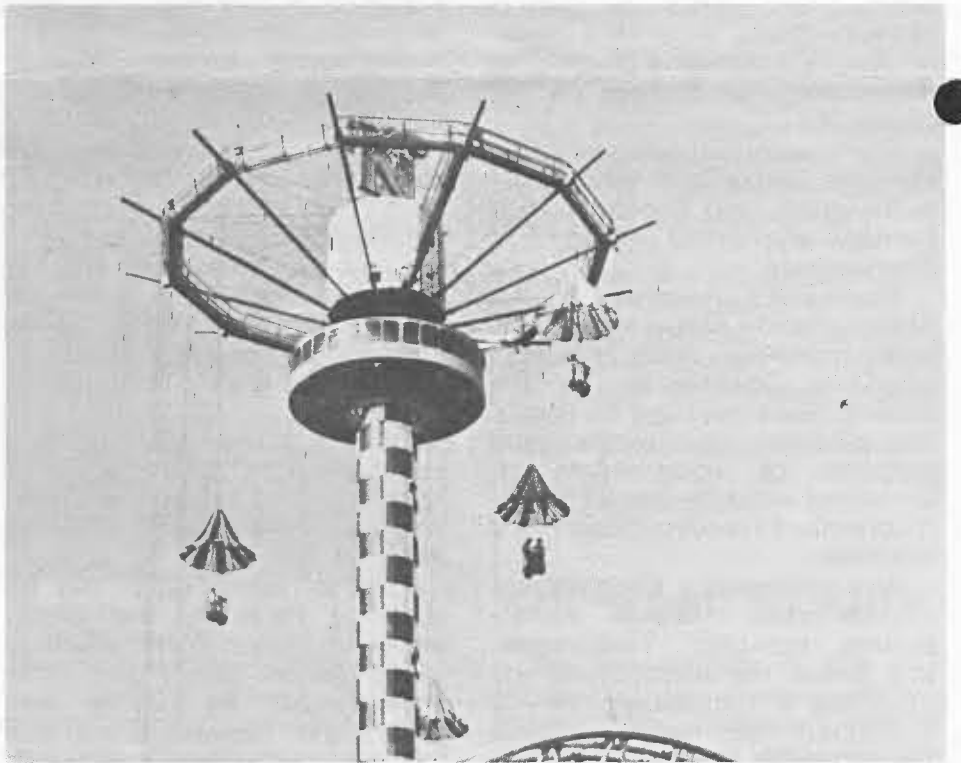
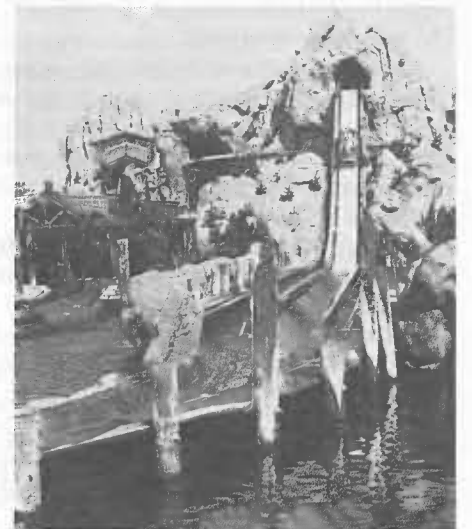
Discount day at Knott's

A total of 1,500 tickets were sold for the RTD Family Fun Days at Knott's Berry Farm June 18 and 19, and the turn out was as gratifying to the program's organizers as it was to those families that attended.

Knott's Roaring Twenties amusement area, Fiesta Village and Old West Ghost Town provided RTD families with all the excitement and entertainment they could possibly stuff into a single day.

The District's Employee Recreation Fund was utilized to subsidize \$1.25 of the \$4.75 group rate tickets, so each family member got unlimited use of Knott's rides and attractions for just \$3.50. The group rate already represented a \$7.95 value.

The next big event sponsored in part by the fund will be the annual employee picnic August 28 at Calamigos Picnic Ranch near Malibu. The tickets will be discounted from approximately \$6 to just \$2, with free tickets for all children under 10. Complete details are listed in the box below.



Who, what, when, where, why and how of employee picnic

WHEN: SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 1977
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Calamigos Picnic Ranch — Malibu, California

WHY: Just Plain Fun!

WHO: Married employees, their spouse and children -
Single employees, their children, and/or date -
Retired employees and spouse
NOTE: The \$2.00 admission price is limited to immediate family members. Friends or relatives are not included.

COST: \$2.00 per person, children under 10 free (No admittance without a ticket)

STUFF TO EAT: Chuck Wagon-Style BBQ Dinner including: BBQ Beef and Chicken, served with baked beans, potato salad, buffet of cold luncheon meats and cheeses, fruit salad, tossed green salad, relish platters with pickles, olives, carrot and celery sticks, rolls, coffee and

dessert. SECONDS and THIRDS available. . . PLUS soft drinks, ice cream and popcorn.

STUFF TO DO: Games and Contests with Prizes for all Ages / Music for listening / Mechanical Kiddie Rides / Ponies to Ride / Giant Moon Bounce / Hayride / Swimming / Boating / Fishing / Sports Activities / Ballgames / Horseshoes / Frisbee Golf Course / Barnyard Animals.

STUFF TO REMEMBER: Sorry No Pets Allowed / Fishermen, bring your own Equipment / No admittance without a ticket / Bring your Drawing Ticket / Caps required for long haired swimmers / Bus service from most Divisions.

PLUS: Drawing for 200 Dodger Baseball Tickets. Bus Service available from most of the Divisions (Call 6675 for exact information). Buses are scheduled to leave for the picnic area at 9:00 a.m.

TICKETS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM BETTY AT EXT. 6580
(Make all checks payable to RTD)



TO HELP FIND WORK for some of the District's laid off employees, the Personnel Department recently arranged for recruiters from the Los Angeles Unified School District to address employees affected by the layoffs concerning openings for Heavy Bus Drivers, and a number of clerical and administrative positions. Bob Peck (above) detailed the requirements and procedures and accepted applications for drivers at a meeting of more than 100 former RTD operators.

RTD's vital statistics

Moving up

Name	Div/Dept.	Classification	Date
Fennell, Theodore A.	3299	Assoc. Eng. Trans. To Supt. of Divisions	6/8/77
Bryant, Ollie J.	3306	Utility "B" To Utility "A"	5/15/77
Coleman, III, Joseph E.	3110	Mopper-Waxer To Lead Mopper-Waxer	3/28/77
Fields, Lila Rosella	3318	Information Clerk To Stock Shop Clerk	6/5/77
Gero, Jr., Andrew	3307	Information Clerk To Stock Shop Clerk	5/29/77
Kendall, William D.	3399	Personnel Analyst To As to Gen Supt M & E	6/6/77
Polanco, Narciso	3212	Op.-Ex. Div. Disp. To Operator	5/15/77
Reeves, Joseph H.	3298	Radio Dispatcher To Chief Radio Disp.	6/12/77
Richardson, Shirley D.	7300	Typist Clerk To Key Punch Operator	6/7/77
Shelter, Howard K.	3399	Mechanic "A" To Equip. Maint. Supv. I	5/8/77
Thomason, Jr., J. Harold	3399	Equip. Records Spec. To Equip. Records Coordinator	5/22/77
Zevely, James A.	3399	Mechanic "A" Leadman To Equip. Maint. Supv. I	5/8/77

Retired

Name	Div./Dept.	Classification	Began	Retired
Adams, Urey Virginiaus	6201	Former Operator Transferred to Ind. Leave 4-1-77	7-10-47	6-8-77
Avery, Peter John	3210	Operator	11-8-44	5-19-77
Belk, Fenton H.	3202	Operator	6-3-47	6-3-77
Brown, Thomas Robert	3299	Superintendent of Divisions	5-18-39	6-6-77
Crawford, Charles Henry	3221	Trafficman	5-18-59	5-21-77
Gliottone, Carl G.	3202	Operator	6-3-46	6-15-77
Gutierrez, Geronimo	6201	Former Mechanic "B" Transferred to Ind. Leave 5/15/75	3-8-22	5-9-77
Ross, Donald Harrison	3212	Operator	12-11-51	6-11-77
Walker, Fagan K.	3209	Operator	10-17-44	5-1-77
Warren, Leslie George	3202	Operator	7-25-46	5-1-77
Whitehurst, Charles Wilkerson	7300	Storekeeper	11-5-46	6-3-77

In memoriam

Name	Div. Dept.	Classification	Deceased
Annis, Lyle K.	3212	Former Division Clerk Retired 5-1-68	5-31-77
Brucker, Earl	3314	Former Mechanic "A" Retired 1-20-67	5-11-77
Dallas, Clyde McBeth	3218	Operator	6-4-77
Geno, Harry M.	3206	Former Operator Retired 9-1-67	5-24-77
Glenn, James Ivy	3204	Former Operator Retired 6-1-68	4-13-77
Junkins, Ira	3299	Former Lead Janitor Retired 7-1-57	10-28-76
Lafin, Charles F.	7300	Former Storekeeper Retired 1-7-47	4-24-77
McDougall, Helen	7100	Former Payroll Clerk Retired 6-9-72	5-30-77
Pratt, Harold W.	3212	Former Operator Retired 10-4-76	5-10-77
Washington, Henry T.	3299	Maintainer "C"	6-2-77

Yellow Cars relived in print

A new book is available, "The Yellow Cars of Los Angeles," which pays tribute to the trolleys which ran from the early 1890s until 1963 on the Los Angeles Railway. Yellow was the primary color on LARY's cars and buses until it was sold to Los Angeles Transit Lines in 1945, which kept yellow on the vehicles — it was to disappear after that operation became part of RTD's immediate predecessor, the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority, in 1958.

Facts concerning the development, operation and demise of each type car (some were known

by such nick-names as "Sowbellies", "Maggies" or "Standards") are supplemented by 552 photographs through the 320-page volume. Anyone who worked on or rode the cars will recognize scenes that bring back many memories. One fact noted in the book is that at one time, over 1,000 yellow cars plied the streets (long before automobile ownership and free-ways proliferated).

Copies are available from the publisher for \$29.15 (which includes tax and postage). Write to Interurbans, P.O. Box 6444, Glendale, CA 91205.

Toastmasters charter

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tests and went on to become finalist in the Toastmasters International Speech Contest held in Houston that year. He believes Toastmasters to be one of the best clubs a person can belong to since its purpose is educational self-improvement.

Rudy Valle, a very inspiring speaker, presented the Charter to club president, Paula Salido. Bill Suter, Toastmaster Area Governor, installed the officers: Sergeant-at-Arms, Robert E. Camareno, Utility B at Division 9; Secretary, Doris Darby, secretary in Customer Relations; Administrative Vice President, Judy O'Donnell, secretary in Personnel; Educational Vice

President, Howard Lindenmeyer, club mentor.

Their term of office lasts six months in order to give other members the opportunity at leadership. Plans for their summer program include exercises in parliamentary procedures and one or two joint meetings with other established clubs to provide added competitive incentive to the members.

The club meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room of the Headquarters Building. Employees are welcome and encouraged to visit and join. If anyone has any questions about Toastmasters, call Paula Salido at Ext. 6491.

RTD vehicles to be auctioned

Nineteen used district vehicles will be sold at public auction on Sunday, July 24, 1977 by Ken Porter, Auctioneer.

There will be 14 automobiles, 4 trucks and one three-wheeled motorcycle.

Location: 2425 Enterprise St., Los Angeles. (under Santa Monica Freeway. Use Santa Fe Ave. offramp to Hunter Street and left on Enterprise.)

Sale Time: 10:30 a.m.

Viewing: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Saturday, July 23
8:30 a.m. to sale time on Sunday, July 24.

Water, energy conservation

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As a result of this review, bus washing was reduced to once a week instead of every other day at all divisions except El Monte. At this Division bus washing water is recycled, making it unnecessary to reduce the number of bus washes per week. The cutback in bus washing has had a direct effect on consumption of water at divisions.

In order to insure the safety of RTD passengers, maintenance employees are continuing to wash the front and rear windows manually as well as removing graffiti and excessive road film from the side windows daily. Previous procedures at all divisions included the washing of the front and rear of the bus by hand before sending it through the bus washer. The elimination of the bus washer results in a savings of approximately 30 seconds per bus washed per night. This equates to a manpower savings of approximately 1 hour per night for a division of 230 buses. This savings

of manpower is consumed through the cleaning of side windows and intensified interior cleaning. The bus washing system in use at El Monte is being incorporated into the reconstruction plans for Divisions 3-10, 5, and 7.

"We must recognize that with the high level emphasis on energy conservation by President Carter, numerous programs will evolve," Weaver noted. "Our reaction will be one of cooperative evaluation and application to accomplish the national goal."

The members of the Employee Conservation Committee are Pete Alatorre, Accounting; Ray Garcia, Marketing; Jack Gerhardt, Operations (Vice-Chairman); Frank Larson, Safety; Elmer Markles, Planning; Bill Weaver, Chairman; Bill Weimer, Employee Relations; Max Zollman, Facilities Engineering. The alternates are Donna Hockenbury, Marketing, Joe Lyle, Planning, and George Caria, Operations.

Making Headway...

Information Operator Hope Asay and her husband, Jerry, announce the arrival of Paul Maurice on May 12. Paul weighed in at 7 lbs., 11 ozs.

Harriet Parker, Utility B at Division 2 and husband, Jim, ATU representative for Maintenance, will celebrate their ninth wedding anniversary on August 24.

Graduating from Moorpark College with an AA degree is Dennis D. McCain, Division 8 operator. McCain is the son-in-law of Ronald D. Neal, Division 15 operator, and Elena Neal, steno at Division 15.

Laura Ann Vester, daughter of Norma Hinrichsen of the Schedule Department, was recently chosen Flag Twirler for Workman High School in La Puente for the 1977-78 school year. Laura, a straight-A student, is entering her senior year at Workman and is planning on becoming an attorney.



Ed Dubrutz, Division 15 operator, tied for first place in the Downey Chess Tournament, held in April of this year. Dubrutz says one of the reasons he bid into Division 15 was to study under chess master Willie Seitz, and has benefited greatly from his expertise instruction. Ed's other hobbies are playing pool and motorcycle riding.

Guest cartoonist

The cartoon strip on the right is the creation of Monica Orozco, daughter of Alvino V. Orozco, Division 9 operator.

Monica has been interested in art, and especially cartooning, since she was a little girl, reports her father.

A junior at Long Beach State, Monica is also doing ad work for the K-Mart stores.

Look for more of Monica's cartoons in future issues of Headway.

A note from Harold V. Kelley, building services supervisor: "To my fellow coworkers: You demonstrated a true friendship with the many cards, flowers, phone calls, visits, and concern you expressed about my health, through my wife, during my stay in the hospital, and convalescence at home. May God bless all of you."



Granville A. Raphael, Division 7 operator, graduated with a Ph.D. on June 6 from the California Graduate School of Theology. A native of Panama, Raphael became interested in the ministry through the missionaries and hopes to teach.

Paul Feickert, supervisor/extra radio dispatcher, and wife, Janet, have a new addition to their family. Born on May 23 was Douglas Paul, who weighed in at 8 lbs., 5 ozs. The Feickerts also have a daughter, Sandra Denise, 2½ yrs. old.

Jeffrey Beasley has made his father very proud. Otis Beasley, Jr., leadman at Division 1, reports his son, graduating from Inglewood High School, received a \$200 scholarship to the University of Kansas music camp. A very talented percussionist, Jeffrey has

received many honors including Most Valuable Musician, Who's Who Among Music Students, All-American Hall of Fame Band Honors, and Outstanding Music Student commendation.

Born to Division 8 Operator Billy R. Chumley and his wife, Tonya, on June 11 was a daughter, Rosalyn Rene. The Chumleys have two other children, Deana, 12, and Steven, 9.



Two sons of Division 9 Dispatcher Doomin Jones competed in the Valley Conference Track and Field Finals held at the College of the Canyons in Valencia on June 5.

Doomin Jr., 11, won a silver medal in the 440 yard relay and placed fifth in the 100 yard dash.

Edwin, 7, (pictured) won gold medals in the 100 yard dash, the

220 yard dash, the long jump and ran anchor on the winning 440 yard relay team. Edwin also set conference records for the 100 yard dash, the 220 yard dash and the long jump.



Pictured is Juan Arellano, Division 9 operator, winner of the Pong Tournament held recently at the headquarters building. Second place went to J. R. Campbell, Division 7 operator and third place was shared by Ralph Wilson, Staff Assistant, and Tommy Ramos, Division 9 operator.

A surprise baby shower was held at Division 2 June 17 for clerk typist Stella Gomez. In attendance were Harriett Porter, Kazue Yoshitomi, Jack Walker, Charles Proctor, David Biehm, Sam Singer, Jim Thomason and Ben Loony.

Classifieds

FOR SALE: '65 Chevrolet, 4 door hard top, power steering, air conditioning. Formerly mechanic's car in excellent condition. Asking \$495. Call Jaye at 762-3892.

FOR SALE: '64 Jaguar XKE 3.8 litre engine, grand touring coupe. Runs and looks great. Over \$2,000 spent in last three years. Rebuilt engine, new clutch in last 38,000 miles. New radials, wire wheels, new battery, complete service manual. Asking \$2,500. Call (805) 527-9888 evenings only.

FOR SALE: '69 Dodge custom Sportsman camper van with bubble top. Has low mileage. In excellent condition. With 3 burner stove, oven, refrigerator, air, elect. sink. Sleeps 4. Many, many extras. \$4,000 or best offer. Call 894-3223.

FOR SALE: '71 Continental Mark III. Beige with white vinyl top. Mint condition. Tilt wheel, power windows, power door locks, power antenna, power seat, cruise control, AM-FM stereo, inside mirror adjuster, new Firestone 4-ply polyester tires. Selling for \$3,700. Call Tom at 679-3801 in evenings.

FOR SALE: Beer tapper, Beverageaire, roll around, self contained with tanks and 2 sets of keg heads. Holds up to 15 gal. keg or larger if remove glass shelf. Top sliding door for cold glasses. In excellent condition. Cost \$885, Sell for \$650. Call Bob Morgan at 344-7042.

FOR SALE: '74 Yamaha MX 250A, approx. 16 hours, premix kit installed, race tuned. Bought brand new Feb. '77. Asking \$700 Firm. Call Instr. Anderson at 869-8829.

LOOKING FOR A GOOD HOME for male dog, 12 weeks old, Spaniel and Cocapoo cross and female dog, 10 weeks old, Daschund and Beagle cross. Housebroken. Must go fast. See Jim Martin, # 131 working 8-846 or call 997-1109.

FOR SALE: '72 Honda 750, clean. \$1,000. Contact Tony at 994-2587, evenings.

FOR SALE: Gold Bulova Accutron watch with gold band. One year old. Asking \$100. Call Mark Gomez at 341-5679.

FOR SALE: '73 Honda ST 90. 3,000 miles — like new 40 m.p.h. + 80 m.p.g. Asking \$325. Call 893-3369 after 6:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: Gas range, harvest gold, less than one year old. Call Janet at 746-2526.

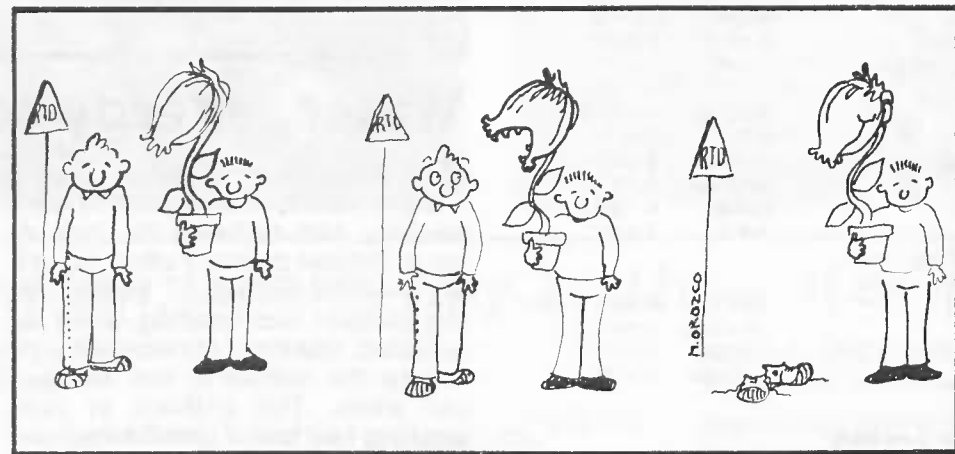
FOR SALE: Dokorder 1140 reel-to-reel tape deck worth \$1,300. Will sell for \$810 (firm). Call Mark at 787-4505.

FOR SALE: Kustom III-L Amplifier with one 15" bottom, 100 watts rms. Still under warranty. Asking \$350 (firm). Call Mark at 787-4505.

FOR SALE: Fender Bassman amplifier 50 with two enclosures, 50 watts rms with 4-15" speakers. Sell for \$475 (firm). Call Mark at 787-4505.

MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL REUNION, Class of 1957. Call George at (714) 522-1873.

FOR SALE: Jack LaLane Spa Contract with 3 years and 6 months left. Will sell for \$250. Savings of approximately \$90. Call Sharon at 257-7904, evenings.



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