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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL MANAGER

This is my last note for Intercom in my capacity as General Manager. It has been an honor to serve IEEE and a privilege to work with you. To each and every member of the staff I wish to express my personal appreciation and thanks for your support.

As 1978 draws to a close, it is easy to conclude that IEEE will have had another good year—good because of many successful programs in all Departments. The two simplest indicators of IEEE activity are the financial statements and monthly membership counts. We have exceeded the budgetary expectations, and I assure you that the Board of Directors is aware of the staff contributions to this success. Also, most of the membership is aware that IEEE has been able to hold the line on dues for another year only because of the successful performance in all major areas.

It is appropriate that we look ahead to 1979. There will be growth and changes, which are natural in any living organization such as IEEE. With Eric Herz as our new General Manager, we will be starting both a new year and a new era. The combination of his leadership and your dedication and skill promises a great future. We may be justly proud to be an integral part of IEEE, and I am sure you will join me in making the transition to 1979 with no loss of momentum.

Thanks again for your wonderful cooperation. Best for 1979 and the years ahead.

# What Does Christmas Mean?

The dictionary explains Christmas as a feast commemorating the birth of Jesus. The name "Christmas" itself means Christes Masse—the Mass of Christ.

To some, Christmas means getting gifts from Santa Claus, from members of their families and friends; a time for parties and fun.

To others, it is a remembrance of the birth of Christ—a time for a new light to shine forth in this world—a time of forgiveness—a time for each of us to start anew.

Christ has given us this day so that all of us can start a new life each year just as that Baby Jesus, reborn in the stable, starts His new life. This day gives all of us a new hope in our dismal lives.

It's joy, beauty, inspiration, and renewal in the hearts of men—this is our everlasting heritage of the Christmas season. Majesty and simple charm are blended, casting for a time a bright spell over the worn old face of the earth.

Carolyn A. Yankoski

# What is Christmas?

Christmas is a feast commemorating the birth of Jesus, observed by most of the Christian Church annually on December 25. The name is derived from the medieval Christes Masse, the Mass of Christ.

In the 5th century the Western Church ordered the feast to be celebrated on the day of the Mithraic rites of the birth of the sun and at the close of the Saturnalis, as no certain knowledge of the day of Christ's birth existed. Jesus' birth was considered the "Light of the World."

Many of the customs now associated with Christmas were not originally Christmas customs, but rather were pre-Christian and non-Christian customs taken up by the Christian Church.

Saturnalia, a Roman feast celebrated in mid-December, provided the model for many of the merrymaking customs. Elaborate feasting is one example. Burning of candles is another since it also relates to Jesus as "Light of the World." Giving gifts at this time is another example—we keep this tradition of giftgiving also as a sign that the Three Kings presented gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to Baby Jesus.

The Teutonic yule feast provided the custom of the yule log and wassail bowl. The origin of the Christmas tree was not in wide usage until the 18th century. The Saxons made use of ivy, holly, and mistletoe in such festivities. Navitity plays became an early part of the Christmas celebration, and about the 13th century merry songs on religious themes (carols) became an important part of Christmas activities. The representation in church of the creche is said to have been begun by Saint Francis.

The sending of Christmas cards by way of friendly greeting and remembrance has grown up since the middle of the 19th century. In the United States the customs and traditions of many nationalities and faiths have gradually blended into common usage, forming a new tradition.

Carolyn A. Yankoski

# Chanukah — The Festival of Lights

Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, begins on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev and lasts for eight days. It celebrates the victory of the Jewish Nation over the Hellenist Syrians in 165 B. C. E.

The Greek Empire ruled the entire Mediterranean area following the conquests of Alexander the Great, and Hellenist Syria held Israel in harsh political subjugation. Judaism as a religion was threatened with extinction by the pressure of Hellenic cultural, political, and military influence.

Judah Maccabee, his brothers, and their followers revolted against their Syrian overlords and won, although they were outnumbered, poorly trained, and inadequately equipped. After the battle they entered the Holy Temple in Jerusalem and found that it had been defiled by the Syrians. The Maccabeans cleansed the Temple, and in preparing to rededicate it to the service of God, found only enough undefiled oil to light the lamps for one evening. They lit this small amount of oil, and it burned for eight nights, thus giving them time to prepare new oil fit for use in the Temple.

This was part of the miracle of Chanukah, which is the Hebrew term for "dedication." The other part was the miracle of victory over overwhelming odds.

The Maccabean War is considered by historians to be the first war for religious freedom and, as such, symbolizes more than a military victory. This victory enabled the Jewish nation to strengthen the religious and spiritual life that would see the Jews through centuries of persecution.

Chanukah is observed by lighting the Menorah, or Chanukah lights, accompanied by saying the appropriate benediction and singing of hymns. The first night, one candle is lighted, and on each succeeding night one more is lit, until the eighth night, when eight lights are burning. A ninth candle called the "servant" is always lit first and is used to light the others.

Some of the customs surrounding the celebration of Chanukah are the eating of potato pancakes and playing with the "dreidel." The dreidel is a top having the words, "A Great Miracle Happened There" written on its four sides. Children play a game by spinning the top and betting pennies on which side it will land. The pennies are usually given out as gifts by parents and relatives.

Lila Teitelbaum

#### **Restaurant Review**

The Golden China is a Chinese-American restaurant located at 1697 Oak Tree Road (next to the Edison Country Club) in Edison, NJ. For those who enjoy Chinese food, it is an excellent choice for a relaxed, casual, and good meal.

The menu is moderately priced, with dinners ranging from about \$3.25 to \$12.00 depending on your preference. Some of their better dishes are Pepper Steak, Shrimp Chow Mein, Egg Foo Young, and Butterfly Shrimp. All dinners include soup, fried rice, and dessert; some also include an egg roll. Mixed drinks are extra. The restaurant has a large carry-out service as well as dinners.

The Golden China's atmosphere is casual and the service is good. As the restaurant is rarely crowded, dining can be as relaxed and leisurely as you wish.

Catherine Uffer

#### **Trading Post**

#### For Sale:

Never used G.E. hair dryer

One year old Conn organ, excellent condition, used for 2 lessons. Excellent buy.

Blender, one year old

Call Shelly, ext. 186.

## **Special Announcement**

U. S. Savings Bonds: We now have the ability to make payroll deductions towards the purchase of bonds. If interested, please contact Kim Sullivan in the Payroll Office on extension 115.

#### Retraction

In the October/November 1978 issue, it was erroneously reported in the "NJ News Notes" that Sharon Barasky of Member Services named her new baby Lisa Jeanette. Sharon did not have a baby. It was Janet White of Member Services who named her new offspring Lisa Jeanette.

Sorry, Sharon!

# An IEEE 25th Anniversary Millie Smith: A Mini Profile

Millie Smith joined IRE on December 13, 1953, as a Clerk Typist in what was then known as the General Office. In this position, her work tasks included subscription billing, membership card typing, and letter writing. A few years later, she was promoted to Assistant Supervisor to Mary Halsey in the Research Department. In 1964 Millie was promoted to Supervisor of the Coding Department, which at that time handled all changes to member records. In 1967 she was promoted to Administrative Supervisor of both the Single Copy Sales and Subscription Departments. Millie joined the staff of Field Services, December 10. 1973, as Administrative Assistant. In this capacity, she services requests from the various IEEE Regions, Councils, Sections, Subsections, and Group/Society Chapters for addressing services such as listings, labels, standing orders, and materials to be printed for meetings, as well as billings to the various units.

Millie states, "In all my 25 years, I have met many wonderful people and some not so wonderful, and I have built many lasting friendships." She has developed close working relationships with many of the IEEE Officers.

Millie has been married for 33 years. In 1967 and 1968, when she was traveling to IEEE Conferences, her husband never knew if she would be home or off on an airplane somewhere. She and her husband have a daughter, Eileen, and two granddaughters. Eileen, by the way, used to work at IEEE.

Congratulations, Millie, on your 25th anniversary at IEEE!

Dolores Riker

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# **Audrey Van Dort Honored**

On June 8 in Moscow, Audrey van Dort was presented with the Honorary Medal of the Institute of Radioengineering and Electronics of the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences. The award was an acknowledgment of her efforts in arranging exchanges between Soviet and IEEE representatives.

Ms. van Dort is retired from IEEE. She was the Staff Secretary of the former IEEE Intersociety Relations Committee and later Administrator of TAB's Transnational Relations Committee.

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# **Power Engineering Society**

The Power Engineering Society Special Activities Department is located on the 15th floor of New York Headquarters. The Manager, Carolyn Karpinski, coordinates the publishing, meetings, and some general activities of the Society and is aided by four very capable women. Nancy Heitmann, Supervisor, organizes the Assistants' work flow and performance and writes much of the correspondence on behalf of the Manager. Kathy Lavin is Secretary to both Carolyn and Nancy, coordinating special projects as required. Pat De Angelis and Andrea Moore serve as Assistants who process the numerous manuscripts and discussions for both the pre- and post-conference phases.

The PES sponsors two general meetings a year, every summer and winter, with the staff working vigorously throughout the year to produce technical papers emanating from these meetings. In addition, there are four other Special Technical Conferences which require support from the PES office.

If you have any questions about PES, Carolyn and her staff can be reached at extension 7893.

Audrey Bickel



Nancy Heitmann (Supervisor)

Kathleen Lavin (Secretary)

> Pat DeAngelis (Assistant)

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# Profile: Carolyn J. Karpinski Power Engineering Society By: Audrey Bickel

The Power Engineering Society (PES), one of IEEE's largest technical divisions, is the only such Society to house a permanent staff at Headquarters in New York. Carolyn J. Karpinksi, Manager for PES Special Activities, has been with the Institute for 4½ years, first as an Administrative Assistant to Dr. Richard M. Emberson, and then moving into the activities of the PES. In her current position, Carolyn is responsible for coordinating support to the Society's meetings, publications, and technical operations. She implements the policies and activities for the many publications produced by the members of PES, as well as overseeing a staff of four persons.

Carolyn attended Queensborough Community College and Queens College, majoring in classical philosophy. During her years in school, she held a variety of jobs. The most notable of these was working in a "bee-catching" company. Carolyn has a number "stinging" stories to relate about her adventures with apiarists (which Webster's defines as "people who keep bees"). Ms. Karpinski's unusual occupation gave her the opportunity to meet Johnny Carson when he interviewed her boss on "The Tonight Show." She subsequently formed her own such business and, armed with the appropriate clothing and nets, could be seen battling a swarm at a monastery in Queens or high atop a roof in Staten Island.

Carolyn resides in Syosset, Long Island, with her husband of three years, Bob. She believes in keeping things all in the family—Bob is a Power Engineer who is very enthusiastic about his wife's work and frequently accompanies her to major PES meetings. They are the proud 'owners of a dog, nicknamed M. Trinkie Pone, a bird, and fish.

Asked for a list of her favorite things, Carolyn rattled off the following: porcelain and impressionistic art, Mickey Mouse, water skiing, Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata, and the short stories of Leo Tolstoy. She did not include "killer bees" on this list,

and we can therefore conclude that should those creatures ever hit New York, Carolyn will protect the staff of IEEE.

# The Invasion of New York

With a leap and a bound the IEEE group piled into a rented 12-seat van in front of the IEEE Service Center building on a beautiful, warm Friday evening with poor of Louie at the wheel to drive 12 happy, giggling ladies to invade the Big Apple. Our first stop was "Top of the Sixes" where a robust meal was had by all.

The group then somehow split up and, lo and behold, those following the "little big leader" walked in the wrong direction and didn't realize it until they were  $2\frac{1}{2}$  blocks out of the way. So, about face we went, almost running so as not to be late for the theatre, and wondering what happened to the other half of our crew. We finally found them, waiting in front of the theatre looking for the big deals that got lost

Finally, we were all seated at the theatre to see "Annie," which was a smash hit with us.

The next fiasco was called "hide the van, find the van." Again, the "little big leader" pulled off the hunt very well??? With swollen, blistered feet, we ran from one parking lot to another looking for the van which Louie parked exactly where he had been told, "right next to the theatre." But, of course, as our "little big leader" said, we made a right and that is why we could not find the van to take us back to New Jersey. After walking, running, laughing for 10 blocks, the resourceful group decided the van must be parked in the opposite direction, which it was, right next door to the theatre. We finally piled into the van and our capable van driver, Joyce Farrell, carefully drove all 12 ladies back to New Jersey, blinding other drivers-not with our dazzling group, but with the high beams which no one could figure out how to

A good time was had by all, and we plan on doing this again. All those interested in joining our next invasion, see Shelly.

> Shelly Tennenbaum Cathy Ferrere

# **New Jersey's Roving Reporter**

As the holiday season approaches us once again, for many it becomes a time of introspection about the past and renewed hopes and dreams for the future. Recently, the question was posed at random to various IEEE employees: "If you could have one holiday wish, what would it be?" Their reactions and responses are as follows.

Annmarie Matseur—Member Services: "A perfectly happy Christmas Day."

Dotty Rodriquez-Inspec: "Health and happiness for my family and friends."

Edward Spatarella-Data Control: "Peace."

Peg Riker—General Accounting: "That IEEE would have a Dental plan."

Ann Brinkofski-Inventory Control: A trip to Hawaii...that would be my wish...for a year!"

Jack Williams-Printing: "Peace on earth."

Donna Aiello-Member Services: "A real cure for cancer."

Angie Puzzelento-Data Control: "Peace."

Joyce Farrell—Single Sales: "I just want everybody to be happy and cheerful like my family is, especially, the underprivileged children."

Ed Donahue-Warehouse: "Money."

Marie Atkins—Cafeteria: "Health and happiness." Ed Jackson—Office Systems: "Three more holiday wishes."

Dee Suydam—Inventory Control: "I wish that I could put a Mercedes Benz in front of my house for my mother for Christmas because that's what she jokingly says she wants."

Elise Waxman—Single Sales: "My holiday wish is for all of my family and friends to enjoy good health in the upcoming year."

Mamie Chapman-Inspec: "To be President of my own company."

Bill Van Der Vort-Office Systems: "A week's vacation."

Jean Wichowski—Data Processing: "A happy holiday with my family."

Ceil Flesher-Subscription Sales: "Good health and peace in the world."

Donna Rodriguez—Purchasing: "There is one thing I really want, and that is for my uncle to get well; he is very ill with cancer."

Werner Tuppatsch—General Accounting: "Peace and harmony in the world and everyone appreciating their good."

Marie Hogan—Mailing: "If I could have one holiday wish, I would like to see every child with a smiling face...and peace, happiness, and contentment at Christmas time among all."

Well, now that you've read all their responses, how about making a holiday wish of your own?

Kathryn Creighton

#### **Holiday Recipes**

#### Potato Pancakes

4 potatoes

1 onion

1 egg

cooking oil

salt and pepper

flour or matzo meal

- 1) Grate or put through food processor potatoes and onion.
- 2) Add egg, salt, and pepper to taste and mix.
- 3) Drain off excess liquid.
- 4) Heat oil in skillet.
- 5) Add flour or matzo meal to thicken batter slightly.
- 6) Drop batter from tablespoon into hot oil and fry until golden brown on both sides.
- 7) Drain on paper towel.

May be served lightly salted, lightly sugared, or with a side dish of applesauce or sour cream.

Lila Teitelbaum

#### Bubbeh's Latkes (Grandma's Potato Pancakes)

A traditional dish for Chanukah

- Peel and grate 3 medium potatoes and 1 small onion. Grate by hand, as it gives the best texture. Leave liquid in with gratings—do not drain.
- 2) Beat in:

1 egg

1/2 teaspoon salt

dash of pepper

1/2 teaspoon of baking powder

- 1-2 tablespoons of flour
- Add bread crumbs to make a thick batter. It should drop from a spoon in thick sheets.
- 4) Melt shortening in a skillet. When the shortening is hot, drop batter with a spoon into it. Cook as you would pancakes. Turn when brown.
- 5) Serve with sour cream.

Carol Sragg

#### Gin Punch Recipe

2 large bottles of Tom Collins Mix (10 oz.)

2 small packages of frozen strawberries

2 small cans of orange juice (6 oz.)

1 large can of pineapple juice

1 pint of gin

1/2 pint of raspberry sherbert

Since there are no carbonated beverages in the punch, it can be put in the refrigerator and served at another time.

Charlene Mattis

#### Cape Cod Cranberry Pie

2 c cranberries 1½ c sugar 2 eggs ½ c nuts 1 c flour ½ c marg, melted

Spread cranberries over bottom of greased 10" pie pan. Sprinkle with ½ c of sugar and nuts. Beat eggs well. Add remaining 1 c sugar gradually and beat until mixed well. Add flour and melted marg. Beat well. Pour over cranberries. Bake 325 for 1 hr. Tastes best warm with vanilla ice cream.

#### **Cranberry Pecan Pie**

3 eggs
1 c dark corn syrup
2/3 c sugar
4 tbsp. butter or marg. melted dash salt
1 c fresh cranberries, chopped
1 unbaked 9" pastry shell
1 c pecan halves

In bowl, beat eggs with fork just until blended. Stir in corn syrup, sugar, butter or marg. and salt. Sprinkle cranberries in pastry shell, then arrange pecan halves on top. Pour syrup mixture carefully over pecans. Bake in 325° oven for 50-55 minutes or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool.

Hint: If edge of pie browns too quickly, cover with a strip of aluminum foil.

Nancy Bennett

#### Cranberry Cheesecake

1½ c graham cracker crumbs
¼ c sugar
½ tsp. cinnamon
⅓ c melted butter or margarine
3 pkg. cream cheese, room temp.
1 c sugar
5 eggs
¼ tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla
1 tbsp. cornstarch
½ c sugar
½ c water

1½ c fresh cranberries

Mix graham cracker crumbs, sugar, and cinnamon. Stir in butter. Press mixture firmly onto the bottom of 9" spring form pan. Beat cream cheese until soft. Gradually beat in sugar. Add eggs and beat until smooth and well blended. Beat in salt and vanilla. Pour mixture into lined pan. Bake in 350° oven 45 minutes or until formed and slightly puffed. Cool cake in oven. A crack in cake is characteristic. Remove from oven and chill. In saucepan, mix cornstarch, sugar, and water until smooth. Add cranberries. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture bubbles and thickens. Simmer while stirring for two minutes. Cool. Spread cranberry mixture on top of cheesecake. Chill until ready to serve.







## **News Notes**

Cash Processing welcomes back Monica Brensinger and Annette Daubert for the winter season. The new addition to their temporary staff is Kathy Kolb.

Member Services welcomes Eileen Lawson back to their staff.

Ginni Kohler of SSU has moved to a new apartment in Bridgewater and is working very hard to decorate it.

Congratulations to Tom Filocco of General Accounting. On August 24 he became the proud father of Erica Bethany. Erica's mother, Elaine, was formerly a Cash Processor in SSU. We are happy to hear that Tom and Elaine are adjusting well to parenthood.

The Accounting Department is happy to welcome Barbara Giuffre as Assistant Payroll Clerk.

Mary Sidders of the Accounts Payable Department will be leaving us on December 28, to await the arrival of her baby during the month of January. After the big event she will return to IEEE. We all wish Mary and her new baby the best of everything.

Werner Tuppatsch of General Accounting has been attempting to transform a green poinsetta into a beautiful Christmas plant. Thus far he has failed, and Ed Rosenberg can't give any advice about plants because his green thumb has turned blue.

Donna Ann Rodriguez has joined the Purchasing staff as Linda Rizzo's Secretary. Donna Ann's hobbies include twirling and dancing. Good luck, Donna, and welcome to IEEE.

If you've seen tracks in the parking lot, don't be alarmed. They belong to the new Volkswagon Rabbit of Ruth Jordan from SPSU. Ruth enjoys her new

diesel-powered car, but notes that it takes a little longer for that type of engine to warm up.

Joyce Farrell of SPSU is off to warmer skies. She leaves with her husband and her sister's family on December 16 to help Mickey Mouse celebrate his birthday at Disney World in Florida. She plans to arrive home on Christmas Eve.

Lynn Markovitch of SPSU has just returned from Chicago; she flew out there to visit her mother over the long Thanksgiving holiday.

Congratulations are in order for Donna Longuillo who became officially engaged on Thanksgiving Day to Kevin Fraschilla of East Brunswick. Donna works in SPSU.

The Shipping Department welcomes David Branch as the Postage Meter Clerk. Dave is married and has a little girl, Yakima, who is four years old and a little boy, Dawud, who is four months old. His favorite hobby is playing football every Sunday afternoon.

Jorge Rivera, Supervisor of Shipping, has just returned from a vacation in Santo Domingo and is on his way to another vacation in Puerto Rico.

Shelly Tennenbaum of Publication Inventory spent a lovely six days in Acapulco.

EDP Operations welcomes Louis Donaruma and Gary Gryswinski. Louie transferred from the Shipping Department to Operations. He enjoys reading and salt water fishing. Gary is the third shift Computer Operator and his hobbies include tennis and golf.

The Keyprocessing Department is happy to welcome back Annick Arcand and Leona Elro to help ease the crunch of processing the 1979 dues bills.

# N.Y. HOTLINE

Jeanne Mohr is the new Secretary for the General Managers' and Public Relations Offices.

Elaine O'Halloran has been employed as Secretary to Dud Broderick of the Marketing Department.

Patsy R. Posch has recently joined IEEE as Assistant in the TAB Conference Activities Department. Patsy's previous employers were Bankers Trust and American Express. She resides in Yonkers, NY, and considers herself the "domestic type" who enjoys cooking and sewing. Welcome to TAB, Patsy!

The Intercom staff joins with all IEEE employees in wishing Millie Smith a "VERY SPEEDY RECOVERY."

On November 16, Marge Stephan of the Publishing Services Department received a telephone call from Mercy Hospital which changed her life. She learned that her daughter had given birth to a 6 lb 12 oz baby girl, Marjorie Michelle. She was "overwhelmed" by the happy event. When asked to comment upon her new status as grandmother she quipped "I waited a long time for this!"

Jodi Danow has joined our staff as a Proofreader. She's a recent graduate of Rider College where she gained experience in the publishing field as a journalism major. In addition to her academic pursuits she was copy editor of her school newspaper and editor of the yearbook, the latter of which was a paid position. She also worked in an advertising agency and with the Delaware United Way.

Mary Grangeia, our new Editorial Assistant, commutes to Manhattan by ship! This may seem unusual to some, but not to those from Staten Island. Mary majored in both English and film at New York University. In her spare time she enjoys painting, drawing, and still photography.

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Shelly Tennenbaum would like to thank all her coworkers for their best wishes during her recent hospital stay.



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### Sagittarius November 23-December 22

Friendly, tolerant, good-natured, optimistic, and talkative, you are fun to have around and you make an excellent companion.

Travel is one of your more enduring enthusiasms: you are always ready to pack a suitcase and leave for faraway places.

A nervous, high-strung type, you hate to sit still; you want and need action.

Your sign is considered to be lucky, often to the disgust of people who work hard and see you walk off with the prize. This ability is a great help to you, so be glad you have it.

Being a Sagittarian, you are compatible with Leo, Aries, Libra, Aquarius, and Gemini. You like the outdoors, dogs, horses, and having new experiences. You dislike being bored, confinement, and greed.

# Capricorn December 23-January 20

Ambition is the keynote of your sign—a strong urge to achieve financial security and to raise yourself in honor and prestige in the eyes of the world.

You are a planner, one who looks ahead to the next step on the success ladder and works out ways to take that step.

You will work very hard if necessary, even at dreary routine chores, but basically you are an excellent organizer who plans large-scale ventures and delegates the actual work to others.

Being a Capricorn, you are compatible with Taurus, Virgo, Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces. You like being punctual, traditional, and conformity. You dislike carelessness and unexpected changes.

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