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## DISTRICT DOINGS

### LAKE SHELBYVILLE

Labor Day weekend visitors totaled 81,232; a 9% increase over Labor Day 1981.

Campground programs began to wind down. A total of 66 activities were presented an audience of 1,883. Special request programs began to increase as schools started their fall sessions.

Humboldt 6th grade spent an evening at Okaw Bluff Environmental Learning Center learning about bees and snakes from Larry Gutzler.

Windsor Junior High met at Camp Camfield Environmental Study Area on two occasions to study trees and insects with Pete Woelkers, Pam Killbreath and Rachel Garren.

Jerry Parker assisted in the rescue and first aid treatment of a critically injured boater.

National Hunting and Fishing Day activities drew a crowd of 400 visitors who participated in casting contests, muzzle loading exhibitions, the duck-calling contest and a variety of other events.

Al Lookofsky met with 20 members of the Prairie Peninsula Archaeological Society to tour the lake's archaeological sites. These sites revealed a great deal of information on the Kaskaskia Valley's early inhabitants.

Paving work was completed on roads leading into Lithia Springs and Opposum Creek Recreation Areas.

The Seabees completed two more bridges on the backpacking trail from Lone Point Recreation Area to Eagle Creek State Park.

Tom Bloor talked to 18 members of the University of Illinois Recreation Class on the Corps' role in recreation resource management and employment opportunities with the Corps.

### REND LAKE

Highlight of the month was the National Hunting and Fishing Day Celebration at the Visitor Center. Approximately 300 visitors participated in turkey shoots, dove shoots, fishing contests and saw demonstrations on archery and blackpowder shooting. Bill Seibel, outdoor writer for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, led a fishing clinic for anglers, while other craftsmen gave carving exhibitions and talks.

Lee Jones, Tractor Operator, at Rend Lake since 1967, retired on 30 September 1982. Good luck, Lee, during your golden years. We will all miss you!

Commercial fishermen at Rend Lake have netted 242,430 pounds of rough fish during the first 24 days of operation. This should have a favorable effect on fishing next season.

Preparation work has begun for \$140,000 shoreline revetment work on the Gun Creek, Ina Boat Ramp and North Marcum areas.

Groundwork has been laid for a new brood pond to be built in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Conservation at Wayne Fitzgerrell State Park.



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## DISTRICT DOINGS (Continued)

### MARK TWAIN LAKE AND CANNON DAM

National Hunting and Fishing Day Celebration. The first formal celebration of National Hunting and Fishing Day at Mark Twain Lake was a great success with approximately 1,350 visitors. Park Rangers Wayne Williams and Steve Austin, Park Technicians David Spriggs, Terry Schaefer, Clark Dietzschold and John Cannon, and Park Aid Bobbi Michener worked at the event which was held at the M. W. Boudreaux Visitor Center. Nineteen exhibits including a local bow hunting group, the Missouri Department of Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, a gunsmith, taxidermists, and various other sporting and conservation groups demonstrated silhouette shooting, bass fishing, duck hunting, and hunter safety. Films and slide shows by State and Federal agencies were shown in the theater throughout the day.

Cannon Dam Association Picnic. Nearly 500 members of the Mark Twain Lake and Clarence Cannon Dam Association had the opportunity to hear Colonel Beech speak about the future of the project at the annual association picnic. The picnic was held at the M. W. Boudreaux Visitor Center on 12 September 1982. Several nearby communities distributed brochures and set up displays to show their support for the future project. Films and slide shows concerning the different aspects of the project were shown in the theater throughout the afternoon.

Otto Steffens addressed the Quincy, Illinois, Exchange Club and gave 50 members an update on the construction at Cannon.

### CARLYLE LAKE

The Labor Day activities really topped off a successful summer. Approximately 200 participants and spectators were involved in the Water Safety Carnival which was held on Sunday, September 5. In addition, a Sand Sculpture Contest was sponsored in which each contestant depicted a cultural or natural feature of the lake.

The Carlyle Lake Interpretive Van, including two fifty-gallon aquariums, were transported to the Alton Fall Festival. Mary Lois Horton, Maggie Briggs, Robert Iski, and district employee Beth Pitrolo were on duty throughout the week to answer questions (over 100,000 people attended the fair).

The lake staff sponsored a Hunting Safety Course on the evenings of 22 and 23 September. Forty-two students received certification. The course is required for youth who wish to obtain hunting licenses. On 25 September a National Hunting and Fishing Day Celebration was held. Bow Hunting expert Junious Richards, Duck Caller Harry Kleber, and Tom Wright from the Shiloh Valley Black Powder Club demonstrated their skills. The youths who attended also competed in a casting contest for distance and accuracy.

Margaret Briggs has transferred from the Assateague National Seashore, Maryland, Virginia, to join the staff! She'll be working on Interpretive/Recreation planning projects. Steve Trebs from Lake Shelbyville has also joined the staff to fill the vacant Park Ranger position. Brenda Wynne, who formerly held the position, has accepted a job with Defense Air Readiness Command in St. Louis.

Courtesy Boat Sanitation Inspections were offered in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Conservation at the Dam West and Keyesport boat ramps on Saturday, 25 September.

The two nursery ponds at Carlyle were drained last month in a cooperative effort with the Illinois Department of Conservation. A total of 31,800 fingerling largemouth bass (average length, 4.3 inches) were released into the lake. The survival of the fingerlings is expected to be much greater than if the fry, (average length, 1 inch) which were stocked in the ponds earlier, had been released directly into the lake. Winter Wheat has been planted in the ponds to provide food and cover for the fry that will be stocked next spring.

### AROUND THE DISTRICT

Claude Strauser lectured at a Rivers and Harbors class at the University of Missouri-Rolla on comparisons between the Mississippi and Yangtze Rivers.

The St. Louis District had an exhibit at the Alton Exposition again this year. Hosts for the occasion were Bill Jones, Jerry Rue, Milt Walters, Gary Hendrix, Jim Gardner, Ken Kruchowski, Leonard Busen and Clyde Wilkes.

A group of 100 Brazilian farmers toured Locks 27.

Terry Norris spoke to the Webster Groves Lions Club about "Archaeology of Metro St. Louis."

○ L&D26 and L&D26(R) construction site received lots of attention last month.

Bill Sutton gave a construction update for 30 folks from the Carboline Corporation, Division of Sun Oil Corporation. Bill also spoke to the Scott AFB S.A.M.E. group about the project.

Jim Fogilphol gave a briefing for 20 engineer tech students from Florissant Valley Community College. The group then went to the construction site where Sandy Hoelscher and Len Ross gave them a tour and briefing.

Major Glen Petrina hosted a group of 60 Illinois farm managers, and later went to the Wood River Moose Lodge to update the East Side Riverman's Association.

Farrell Burnett gave tours and briefings for 10 American Soybean Association members and Japanese Oil Importers, and then he and Roger Hoell hosted a group from the National Association of Wheat Growers.

A group of students from Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield, Illinois, toured the old and new L&D26, and then traveled to Cannon Dam for a tour and briefing and an overnight campout.

### **WAPPAPELLO LAKE NOW PART OF ST. LOUIS DISTRICT**

On 1 October, Wappapello Lake became part of the St. Louis District. We are happy to welcome aboard the Corps people who staff the lake. Although the lake is new to the District, it is far older than any of our other lake projects. Construction began in September 1938 and was completed in June 1941.

Wappapello Lake, named after a Shawnee Indian Chief who made the area the home of his nomadic tribe, is an 8,400 acre lake on the St. Francis River. It has more than 180 miles of shoreline. The lake is 15 miles north of Poplar Bluff and 150 miles south of St. Louis. It is the key element in the massive St. Francis Basin Project, a complicated series of flood control works which protect the rich agricultural basin from frequent flooding by both the Mississippi and St. Francis Rivers.

Wappapello Lake is characterized by an irregular and wooded shoreline—a beautiful setting which lends itself well to outdoor recreation such as boating, fishing, picnicking and camping.

○ Maps of the lake are available in the Public Affairs Office.

## **INCENTIVE AWARDS SECRETARY**

### **PROMOTIONS:**

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Louis Hurd, OD-PB,  
Welder, WG-3703-10

Kenneth Allensworth, OD-PB,  
Structural Ironworker, WG-3807-10

William Hill, OD-NC,  
Deckhand, WG-3507-6

Terry Myers, OD-PB,  
Structural Ironworker, WG-3807-10

Donna Kavanagh, PB,  
Management Asst (Typ), GS-344-5

Joseph Kellett, ED-HD,  
Hydraulic Engineer, GS-810-11

Paul Galey, ED-FM,  
Drill Rig Opr, WG-5729-11

Mary Lawson, ED-DG,  
Clerk Typist, GS-322-4

James Mills, ED-DA,  
Structural Engineer, GS-810-11

Dru Butterfield, OD-RS,  
Park Technician, GS-026-5

Robert Frederick, ED-SM,  
Civil Engineering Technician, GS-802-9

Michael Navin, ED-FG,  
Geologist, GS-1350-11

John Dierker ED-DC,  
Spvy Civil Engineer, GM-810-13

Earl Ehlers, ED-DS,  
Civil Engineering Technician, GS-802-9

Mark Jelinske, ED-DM,  
Student Trng Mech Engr, GS-899-5

Regina Pucel, SD-C,  
Procurement Clk (Typ), GS-1106-5

W. L. Potts, OD-NC  
Striker Steam-Elec, WG-4742-9

James Singleton, OD-NC,  
Striker Steam-Elec, WG-4742-9

John Metz, OD-NL,  
Electrician, WY-2805-11

John Vieira, OD-RJ,  
Park Ranger, GS-025-9

Willard Waltemate, OD-NC,  
Striker Steam-Elec, WG-4742-9

## **INCENTIVE AWARDS SECRETARY (Continued)**

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Shirley Hamilton, OD-B,  
Clerk, GS-303-4

Dennis Williams, OD-NL,  
Lock & Dam Oper, WY-5426-8

Robert Lockhart, OD-NL,  
Lock & Dam Oper, WY-5426-8

Frederick T. Norris, PD-A,  
Archeologist, GS-193-12

John C. Scanlon, ED-DG,  
Civil Engineer, GS-810-9

Vanessa E. Alexander, AC-O,  
Civil Engineer, GS-810-9

Dennis P. Woolsey, SO,  
Safety & Health Specialist, GS-018-9

Joan Guilfoyle Basman, OD-RR,  
Park Technician, GS-026-6

Paul S. Hobgan, OD-NC,  
Launch Operator, WG-5723-7

### **EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE:**

Thomas Quigley, ED-DA  
Alan Berman, ED-DA  
Carol Hilderbrand, AS-W  
Debbie Lanier, ED-S  
Joan Schick, SD-C  
Joseph Bisher, SD  
Benjamin F. Odom, OD-NC  
Wilford A. Myers, OD-NC  
Floyd P. Zerwig, OD-NC  
Eura G. Joyce, OD-NC  
Isaiah E. Mitchell, DC-F  
Jean M. Kuethe, DC-F  
Elmer H. Berhorst, DC-F

### **EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE/ QUALITY STEP INCREASE:**

Michael D. Skinner, OD-RS  
Jo Ann Moritz, SD-P  
Norris W. Davis, BC

### **EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE/ SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD:**

Robert Bragg, ED-DM  
Kathryn Crossley, PA  
Stevenson Ellis, OD-NL  
Bernard Von Hatten, OD-RC  
William Ross, OD-RC  
Stephen Austin, OD-RJ  
Kenneth Kruchowski, PA

### **HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE:**

Richard Roland, ED-PB  
Melbourne Stohl, ED-DA  
Bruce Plummer, OD-R  
Edward Riiff, ED-DA  
Theresa Jenkins, AS-W  
John Helfrich, ED-DA  
Charles Meyer, ED-DA  
Jack Vizer, ED-DM  
Douglas Van Dorn, OD-RC  
Riley Pope, ED-DA  
Michael Mertens, ED-DM  
Walter Wagner, ED-DM  
Dennis Gould, ED-DM  
John Cullen, ED-DM  
Lee Robinson, ED-DM  
Gary Jones, ED-DM  
Henrietta Creel, OD-PE  
Charles Turlin, ED-S  
Laurel Nelson, RE  
Paul Lingle, OD-RR  
James Keim, ED-FI  
Juanita Jarrett, RE-M  
Earlan Greer, RE-M  
Donald L. Chrismore, CD-CC  
Thomas J. Leicht, ED-DA  
Dario Franzi, ED-DA  
Francis J. Opfer, ED-HE  
Lenard H. Ross, CD-CC  
Jacqueline, J. Becker, DC-F  
Kenneth L. West, OD-RS  
Sherry K. Snyder, SD-P  
Linda M. Wichlan, ED-F  
Kathy A. Engelmann, PD  
Warren L. McCoy, RE-A

### **HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE/ SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD:**

Judith Shoreack, ED-FM  
Evelyn Grote, OD-P  
Billie Sanna, OD-NL  
Max Williams, OD-RS  
James Slechta, OD-RR  
Frank Clark, SD-P  
John Kilker, OD-F  
Thomas Furdek, ED-HQ  
Ronny Singleton, AC-S  
David Cusack, ED-DM  
Karl Tilkens, OD-RR

### **SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD:**

Edward E. Middleton, ED-D  
Michael Brazier, ED-DW  
James Cronin, ED-DA  
Gordon Davis, ED-DG  
James Luther, ED-DM

## **SPECIAL ACT/SERVICE AWARDS:**

Clifford A. Mahin, Environmental Engineer, Design Branch, Engineering Division, was presented with a Special Act Award in the amount of \$750 for outstanding performance of duties in assisting the Project Officer and Coordinator's Office, Lock & Dam 26(R) from Jul 81 to Aug 82.

## **TANGIBLE SUGGESTIONS:**

Diane M. Jones, Acquisition Branch, Real Estate Division, received an award of \$38.00 for recommending a fill-in form be used for expediting relocation assistance claims in the Real Estate Division. The suggestion is partially adopted and was implemented 1 Jul 82, with the first-year savings in the amount of \$375.

Lloyd H. Hartenberger, Lock & Dam Section, Navigation Branch, Operations Division, has received an award of \$78.00 that recommended low speed ceiling fans be installed in the maintenance building at Kaskaskia Lock and Dam to reduce energy costs. The suggestion is adopted totally with tangible first-year benefits in the amount of \$775.

Donna R. Schofield, Structural Section, Design Branch, Engineering Division, received an award in the amount of \$47.00 that recommended workload Analysis Sheet Form LMS 208a used in Design Branch, be made for a 4-week period instead of the present 2-week period. Suggestion was implemented in Aug 82 with first-year tangible benefits in the amount of \$475.

Messrs. Fendler, Goeden, Tabit, Heard, and Mesko shared an award in the amount of \$260.00 for recommending a gas powered brushwacker be purchased to clear heavy undergrowth between target pedestals and control monuments at all projects. The suggestion was implemented 30 Sep 82 with first-year tangible benefits of \$1600. Intangible benefits are considered to be of moderate potential value with extended application. The above mentioned employees work in the Instrumentation and Evaluation Section, Foundation and Materials Branch, Engineering Division.

The Comptroller of the Army is searching out ways to: (a) improve the timeliness of collection of debts (i.e., account receivable) owed the Army by the public, (b) reduce these debts, and/or (c) prevent these debts from occurring. SLD is soliciting suggestions from both civilian and military personnel. It is anticipated that millions of dollars can be saved as a result of improvements made in debt management systems. Those suggestions which are adopted will make the military/civilian suggester eligible for cash awards based upon the tangible/intangible benefits resulting from their ideas. OK SLD LET'S GOoooo.

## **HYDAR'S HAPPENINGS**

### **THE LONG AND THE SHORT**

King Louis XIV ruled France for 72 years while King Louis XIX ruled France for 15 minutes.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt held the office of the President of the United States the longest length of time from January 1933 to April 1945. He was elected 4 times. William H. Harrison held the office the shortest length of time - one month.

The world's smallest country is the Sovereign and Military Order of Malta (SMOM), a walled enclave about half the size of a football field. Located in Central Rome at 68 Via Condotti, it is the only nation in the world small enough to merit a street address. The largest country is the Soviet Union, 8,650,000 square miles.

John Adams and Herbert Hoover lived the longest of all the Presidents. Both attained the age of 90. John F. Kennedy, the youngest. He died at the age of 46.

Theodore Roosevelt was the youngest elected president at the age of 42. Ronald Reagan was the oldest elected at the age of 70.

Methuselah was said to have lived the longest of any person on earth, 969 years (Gen.5:27).

## **LETTER OF THANKS**

EDITOR'S NOTE: SLD personnel and friends who attended the farewell party for Colonel and Mrs. Dacey, in August, presented Mrs. Dacey with a framed montage of St. Louis landmarks as a souvenir of her stay here. We recently received the following:

Dear Friends,

The number of days since leaving St. Louis has not dimmed my deep-felt appreciation of the gift given to me. The picture is hanging in our new home and is a reminder of all the well-remembered city landmarks. More than that, it reminds me of the District people who were so kind and generous in giving me such a lovely souvenir of happy days.

I thank you so very much.

Most Sincerely,  
*Rosalyn Dacey*



## National Year of Disabled Persons

*By the President of the United States of America*

### A Proclamation

The 1981 International Year of Disabled Persons, a celebration of the achievements and strengths of disabled persons the world over, has now concluded. In that Year, we were made aware of the many accomplishments of disabled people, and we rejoiced at the number of lives that were made richer and more productive through education, rehabilitation, and employment.

The impetus gained during this celebration must not be lost. We must seize the opportunities afforded by the International Year of Disabled Persons to increase our national awareness of what remains to be done in order to assure all disabled Americans full and active participation in our society.

I call upon my fellow citizens in both the public and private sectors to join in mutual efforts to pursue the long-term goals set forth during 1981.

NOW, THEREFORE, in keeping with the aims of Senate Joint Resolution 134, and in order to continue the momentum developed in the International Year of Disabled Persons, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the year 1982 as the "National Year of Disabled Persons."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th. day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixth.

*Ronald Reagan*

## GOLF LEAGUE NEWS

Forty-eighty SLD golfers sloshed through the rain-shortened Fall Tournament held this year at Clinton Hills on 14 September. The 2 men teams and individual winners in each of the 3 flights were:

### AAA Flight

- 1st — Mel Baldus/Dave Harley
- 2nd — Harold Stemmermann/Jim Baker
- 3rd — Rich Siemons/Joe Doherty
- Least Putts — Mel Baldus
- Closest to the pin — Bill Meldrum
- Tournament Low Gross — Mel Baldus

### AA Flight

- 1st — Dee Sherbine/Gary Dyhouse
- 2nd — Paul Olson/Fred Bader
- 3rd — Mike Houser/Bill O'Herin
- Least Putts — Walt Snow
- Closest to the pin — Dick Pearce

### A Flight (14.76 + handicap)

- 1st — Bob Maxwell/Denny Gould
- 2nd — Fred Niermann/Larry White
- 3rd — Charlie Holmes/Everett Pate
- Least Putts — Tom Furdek
- Closest to the pin — Bob Maxwell

Awards earned during the 1982 regular season were presented to the following individuals and teams at the post-tournament banquet:

- Most Valuable Player — Bob Maxwell
- Most Improved — Jack Eckles
- Low Handicap — Rich Siemons
- 1st Place Team — Duffers (Paul Olson, Capt.)
- 2nd Place Team — Sandblasters (Vic Behrmann, Capt.)
- 3rd Place Team — Scramblers (Paul Roberts, Capt.)

The newly elected golf league officers also were announced at the banquet and are:

- President - Rich Siemons
- Secretary - Mike Houser
- Treasurer - Ken Koller

## ST. LOUIS SWEEPS LMVD GOLF TOURNAMENT

Led by Rich Siemons' dramatic sudden-death playoff victory over Willy Jones of Memphis, the St. Louis District golfers claimed top honors in each of four flights at the first Annual LMVD Golf Tournament. The tournament was held in Memphis on 17 and 18 September 1982. A total of 56 golfers representing St. Louis, Memphis, and Vicksburg enjoyed the 2-day, 36-hole tournament.

In addition to Rich Siemons' (ED-DW) victory, Dave Harley (PB) won the 1st Flight Championship, Bill O'Herin (OC) was Co-champion in the 2nd Flight, and Ed Ewing (PD-U) was Co-champion in the 3rd Flight.

Plans already are underway for next year's tournament which will be held in St. Louis. Dave Harley, Bill Sutton, Paul Olson, Paul Roberts, Elmer Huizenga, and Ed Ewing have been named by Rich Siemons, SLD Golf League President, to handle organizing details.

The SLED Golf League is open to all active and retired employees of the St. Louis District Corps of Engineers. All Those interested in playing the game or in improving their old game through fun-loving competition are encouraged to join one of the eight golf teams in the league. For more information regarding the golf league or the 1983 LMVD Golf Tournament, contact any of the team captains, league officers or tournament committee members.



*On his return home from a dinner Harry's wife asked, "How was your talk this evening?"*

*"Which one?" retorted Harry. "The one I was going to give, the one I did give, or the one I delivered so brilliantly to myself on the way home?"*

## TO RUN OR NOT TO RUN?

A recent article in the Council's *Occupation Health Nursing Newsletter* should give would-be runners and joggers pause.

Dr. Saul S. Haskell, an orthopedic surgeon at Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago, says that jogging is not the best exercise for many. "It's hard on the feet, arches, knees, hips and back because of the constant pounding. A 150-pound jogger imposes an impact load of 240 tons per mile on these structures."

If you do run or jog and find yourself in pain after a session, you could be suffering from the "overuse syndrome." To avoid the overuse syndrome, a person should meet five criteria, says Haskell.

1. Be sure your weight-bearing structures are in perfect alignment.
2. Wear proper shoes.
3. Run on a reasonably resilient surface.
4. Use proper training and warm-up practices.
5. Be sure you have no pertinent medical problems.

"Most people cannot meet these five conditions," Haskell observes. "The normal person has imperfect alignment of toes, feet, ankles, knees, and hips, just as many normal people have imperfect vision and need glasses. Even minor variations of alignment are magnified by overuse. That means the small disorders that ordinarily go unnoticed can become major sources of pain and discomfort.

Good quality footwear with custom-made orthopedic inserts can remedy slight abnormalities. However, you may want to look into alternative aerobic activities, such as walking, swimming, cycling, or even roller skating.

## EEO CORNERSTONE

### FEDERAL WOMEN'S PROGRAM

A warm WELCOME to Janet Eversgerd, BC, as member of the FWPC.

The week of 10-16 October has been proclaimed FEDERAL WOMEN'S WEEK by Mayor Vincent Schoemehl and County Executive Gene McNary. On 15 October the St. Louis Metropolitan Federal Women's Program Council will present the FY 83 Awards Program. This year the District has a nominee in the Managerial/Supervisory category. The Program will begin at 1100 at Musial & Biggies. For further details contact Irene, FWPM at x5037.

## FINANCING A COLLEGE EDUCATION

Students who can't afford to go directly from high school to college, find that the Army offers a practical alternative. In the Army, soldiers can *study while they serve*, taking advantage of the Army Continuing Education System (ACES). Soldiers at virtually all major posts can attend vocational, technical or college classes during off-duty hours, in nearby schools or even right on the base. And the Army pays up to 75% of their tuition for approved courses. In addition, they may also earn college credit through:

- examination and certification programs
- correspondence and independent study courses
- credit for life and work experience programs.

And for the future—the Veterans' Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) is a basic savings plan for continuing education. A soldier who chooses to participate may contribute up to \$2,700. In return, the government will match each dollar at a ratio of two-for-one, for a total saving of up to \$8,100.

Even more—the Army College Fund, based on participation in basic VEAP, offers qualified soldiers an education bonus of \$8,000 for a 2-year enlistment, \$12,000 for a 3-year or 4-year enlistment. Thus, the Army College Fund could amount to as much as \$15,200 after two years; as much as \$20,100 after three or four years.

## FOR SALE

Intellivision Video Game. Contact Tony Meier, 394-2425.

## BACK TO SCHOOL

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for school-age children, according to the 1981 Edition of *Accident Facts*, published by the National Safety Council. With schools due to open soon, now is the time to talk to your children about safe pedestrian and cycling habits.

Teach kids to cross only at corners, and not to dash out between parked cars. They're safer if they cross at signalled crossings, or corners where a crossing guard is stationed.

Children are also generally safe if they walk to and from school in groups. Discourage your children from walking alone, or taking short cuts through strange neighborhoods.

If your children ride buses, teach them not to rough-house while boarding or alighting. If possible, meet them at the bus stop and walk home with them.

Make sure that your children understand the rules of the road for bicycles. Check your child's cycling skills before letting him or her cycle home.

Dress kids in light- or bright-colored clothes on gray days. If they must be out after dark, look into purchasing reflective clothing or tape. Supply each child with a flashlight.

Here are a few other tips for safety on the streets for children.

Emphasize that kids shouldn't talk to strangers on the street. Make sure that they know to report to you any person who approaches them on the street.

Cute though they may be, clothes with the child's name on the outside are not a good idea. Too many children respond trustingly to adults who call them by name.

Make sure your children know their complete names, address, and phone number.

If your child carries his own house key, don't mark it with your name and address. If it's lost, the finder has all the information needed to enter your house at will.

Your local police department may have a safety training program for children. Why not see if a session could be held at your child's school.

**The best reasons for  
using seatbelts are  
always getting buried**



## NOSTALGIA

Retiree Bob Maxwell, formerly Chief of the Personnel Office, has presented to the District the first competitive athletic trophy won by employees of the St. Louis District. The trophy dated 1934-35 was awarded to the only basketball team to represent SLD. Members included:

N. W. Amos  
J. Blasor  
J. Sturm  
G. Hanssen  
G. Antilla  
R. Kelley  
M. Tieman  
J. Barnaba  
J. Pollak  
G. Hoffman  
R. J. Maxwell

The trophy's new home is in a case on the 8th floor.



# ACCIDENT SUMMARY

## SEPTEMBER 1982

### **VEHICLE ACCIDENTS FOR AUGUST 1982:** One

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1982: Four

An employee at Carlyle Lake backed into another government vehicle on Saddle Dam No. Three.

Total vehicle accidents for CY 1981: One

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### **PERSONAL INJURIES – CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES – SEPTEMBER 1982:** None

Total accidents for CY 1982: Four

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### **PERSONAL INJURIES – GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES – SEPTEMBER 1982:** One

Total accidents for CY 1982: Seven

An employee on the Dredge Ste. Genevieve was injured when he slipped and then fell down some stairs.

Total accidents for CY 1981: Nineteen

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### **LAKE FATALITIES FOR SEPTEMBER 1982:** None

Total lake fatalities for CY 1982: Four

Carlyle Lake – 3

Lake Shelbyville – 1

Total lake fatalities for CY 1981: Six

Carlyle Lake – 4

Lake Shelbyville – 1

Rend Lake – 1

### **SAFETY REMINDERS:**

1. All employees should make sure the way is clear before backing their vehicle.

2. The Safety Office would like to know when defensive driving techniques used by our employees may have prevented an accident. Also, they would like to know when someone has performed an act which may have prevented a serious accident of any type, whether on or off the job.

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