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NEWS ABOUT MUELLER CO. EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES





CAPS AND JACKETS

Carolyn Carnahan and Walter Morganthaler model samples of new jackets and caps.

A great many people have suggested that Mueller Co. have a jacket and cap program similar to that offered by other companies.

We now have this program ready to go. The jackets are bright red nylon with white flannel lining. They have snap closings and elastic wrists as well as a bottom drawstring. The caps are available in two styles, one has all red polyester panels and the other has two back panels of white nylon mesh. Jackets are available in adult sizes, S, M, L, XL and XXL and youth sizes S, M, L and XL. The caps are adjustable and one size fits all.

Both jackets and caps will have the Mueller emblem embroidered in gold, red and black on a white panel. This panel will be sewn on the front of both jackets and caps.

Prices are as follows:

Cap with emblem*\$ 2.76 each Jacket with emblem*

adult size 11.27 each Jacket with emblem*

youth size 10.22 each (Includes Tax)

Jackets and caps will be paid for by the payroll deduction method only.

See Jack Malone in the Personnel Department to order your jackets and caps. Mr. Malone has jackets available to try on to determine the proper size to order.

*Caps and jackets are not available without the emblem.

FOREMANS CLUB SELECT OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Foremans Club on Lake Chickamauga, the following officers were selected for the 1978-79 year:

President-Tomie Ashford, Assistant Foundry Foreman; V. President-Thomas Johnson, Head Products Draftsman; Secretary-Aaron Jones, Assistant Foundry Foreman; Treasurer-Tom Blankenship, Maintenance Planner.

The first meeting of the new year was scheduled for September.



E. J. HOSTO PROMOTED TO PLANT MANAGER

E. J. Hosto has been promoted to the position of Plant Manager, effective September 24, 1978, succeeding Earl E. Bright who has announced his plans to retire February 5, 1979. Mr. Hosto will assume full responsibilty for that office.

Jim Hosto joined Mueller Co. in Decatur as a draftsman in 1953 after graduating from James Millikin University with a B.S. Degree in Industry. He has held positions of Methods Engineer, Construction Engineer,

BASS CHAMPION

Randy Nuchols, a shell coating muller operator in the foundry, recently flashed a \$570 "silver dollar" smile as he accepted top prize money in a bass fishing tourney held at Lake Chickamauga.

During the one day contest, Randy accumulated 13 lbs. 10 oz. of bass to win the event. His top catch was a 7 lb. 4 oz. beauty. He landed his "big bass" on a homemade balsa wood plug. It was the largest bass ever for him.

Wilmot Ellis, engineering technician, also claimed fourth place in the contest.

Earlier this year Nuckols had pocketed first place money of \$300 in an event sponsored by the Harrison Bass Club. Plant Engineer and Manager of Employee Relations while in the Decatur Factory, and was transferred to Chattanooga in 1967 as Plant Engineer.

Mr. Hosto is married to the former Gertrud Bechtel and they they have four children and 8 grandchildren.

He belongs to the American Legion and is a member of American Institute of Plant Engineers, American Foundrymen's Association and is a licensed private pilot. Jim served in the armed forces in World War II in Military Intelligence.

Jack Malone

SERVICE AWARDS

Cecil Hines 10 years: Anthony S. McDowell Edwin H. Lingerfelt Robbie C. Johns Jefferv E. Trenholm Peggy L. Gaddis 20 years: **Nellie Pauline Cox** Jimmie Ingram Lawrence C. Williams, Jr. Willie McClain A. D. Ringer Walter P. Waller Lloyd Davenport **Robert Burkes** Willie Groce George Smith **Eugene Bibbs** George H. Ford Baxter W. Little Andrew A. Baker Walter Turner **Daniel J. Caperton** R. V. Powell Henry N. Akins Samuel J. Goins O. C. Magby **O. Eugene Griffin** James L. Stone, Jr. Calvin B. Stephenson Roland K. Dill Willie J. Goddard Spr Fares-Aaron Jones Tom McDonald John L. Sanderfer J. C. Graham **Edward Hughes** Alphonza Owens Marvin Lee Robert G. McDaniel John E. Coffelt John H. Henderson Thomas E. Shipley Kenneth W. Richie Phillip W. Sivley **Billy A. Roberts** Floyd F. Orr James H. Bryson Curtis C. Jackson, Jr. Jackie L. Saunders James J. Crisp Bertis Leo Mills, Jr. James S. Hundley Mose C. Adams **James Talley** 30 years: Jep Thornton **Jimmie Readus** Milburn Carroll Earl L. Davis



JAMES SMITH ALSO COOKS

For 17 years James Smith has been working at Mueller Co. with the past four years spent as an apprentice pattern maker. He has one more year to go on that apprenticeship.

After leaving the factory each weekday at 3:30 P.M., he goes out to Quality Inn South, showers and changes into his uniform as night banquet chef. James may work five to seven nights a week, depending on the banquets and meetings he must handle. Cooking for Pat Boone and other noted celebrities is a high spot for James.

It seems that this second career came strictly by accident. His mother, Augusta Smith, better known as Mama Gussie, went on a vacation from her job at Loret Villa and James took over for her. He handled the chore so well he was asked to stay on and help out when she returned.

James insists that "cooking is organization being set up properly." He must have all his prep work done ahead then he can cook without wasting time running to the food locker or freezer to get out something he should have taken care of earlier.

James schedules himself to be in the kitchen at the times the banquets are being served or the tour buses are coming into the motel. If there is nothing too important going on, he leaves early and lets someone else do the cleaning up. Otherwise, James is there until about 10:30 P.M. getting the kitchen ready for the next morning.

James and his lovely wife, Mattie, are two busy people as she has her own job she goes to early each morning. Life would be a bit harder if it were not for their three children -- they keep the house running smoothly.



JAMES D. SERRE PROMOTED

Mr. James D. Serre has recently been promoted to the newly created position of Manager of Manufacturing Operations at the Chattanooga Plant.

In assuming the duties of his new position Mr. Serre will be responsible for the operations of the foundry, machine shop and assembly departments in addition to the responsibilities which he formerly held in supervising all activities of the Industrial Engineering Department.

Jim began work with Mueller Co. as a Time Study Engineer at the Decatur plant. He was promoted to Plant Industrial Engineer and remained on this job until April, 1966 when he transferred to Chattanooga as Production Planning Engineer. In June, 1968 he was promoted to Manager of Industrial Engineering.

ROBERT RHODES RECEIVES CERTIFICATE



Robert L. Rhodes, Senior Project Engineer, was presented his - Certified Quality Technician Award by the American Society for Quality Control.

As was announced previously, Mr. Rhodes received the award during the June meeting of the Chattanooga Chapter.

Bob is to be highly commended for this accomplishment as there are presently only a minimal number of these certificates of excellence in the entire country.

RETIREES

DAVID RUTLEDGE, core service no. 1 slinger helper, 29 years, June 14, 1978 (rule of 80).

NORRIS MACK, finish product assembler, 24 years, 2 months and 2 days, June 30, 1978 (rule of 80).

WILLIAM J. FARROW, air set core machine operator, 36 years, 11 months and 10 days, June 30, 1978.

ED T. ECTOR, chipper and grinder serviceman, 24 years, 11 months and 7 days, June 30, 1978 (rule of 80).

THOMAS M. BASHAM, finish product assembler, 25 years, 8 months and 7 days, July 17, 1978 (rule of 80).

FRANK C. EVANS, #2 slinger shakeout, 23 years, 5 months and 1 day, July 26, 1978 (rule of 80).

SHERMAN MATTHEWS, core cleaner, 28 years, 3 months and 16 days, July 28, 1978 (rule of 80).

HENRY N. AKINS, finished product assembler, 23 years, 1 month and 12 days, July 31, 1978 (disability).

JACK D. VINCENT TO SERVE ON COMMITTEE

Jack D. Vincent. process control supervisor, has been selected by the American Foundryman's Society to serve on the AFS 80-M Green Sand Molding Committee.

This elite group is composed of participating technical personnel representing varied companies producing castings and manufacturers of equipment and materials involved in high production of high pressure green sand molding in the United States with affiliates in Belgium and Sweden.

The purpose of this committee is to study and develop high pressure green sand molding controls and practices. The committee is presently working on dimensional accuracy of castings made in high pressure systems. The results of this study will be made available through the AFS Transactions and Modern Casting publications.

With his vast knowledge and experience of molding practices, Jack will be a great asset to the committee.