

A Time To Give Thanks ...

Since the first Thanksgiving, when the Pilgrims gathered to offer praise for religious freedom and for the first harvest in their new land, the holiday has been observed as a special occasion for families to gather.

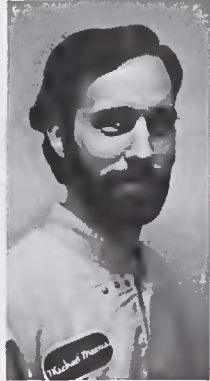
So it is with Du Pont employees. Fotofax asked these persons to share their Thanksgiving plans and to list the things for which they are especially thankful.



Mary K. Clark, Accounting, and her daughters Tracy 16, and Millicent 15, of Hendersonville, will attend the Thanksgiving service at their church before going to her parents' home for a family dinner.

Mary commented, "Thanksgiving to me symbolizes gratitude, sincerity, fellowship, happiness and joy, though there are others in the world who have not experienced such abundance. Since God is the donor of all our blessings, we must give total thanks to Him."

NEXT MONTH: Your editor attended a 2-day Site Editor's Seminar held in Wilmington, Delaware in late September. It was all about communications and the free press concept in Du Pont Plants, Departments, and Corporate dealings. October Du Pont News featured Irving Shapiro's press conference the first day. We will cover the remainder of the seminar in December Fotofax.



Michael Morris, Casting, his wife Gail and their son Michael, age four months, will attend a family gathering at his mother's home in Brevard.

"I've got a lot to be thankful for this year," Michael said. "Having a son places a greater value on life."



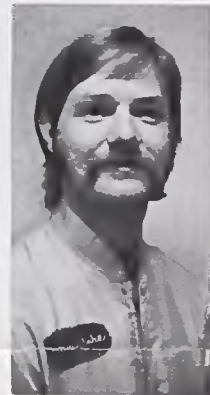
Pete Mull, Finishing, and his wife Debbie of Brevard, plan to visit his family in High Point.

Pete said, "I am thankful for the area we live in, the church we go to, and the opportunity to have a decent job."



Geraldine Ashe, Finishing, and husband Wayne will attend the family dinner at her parents' home in the Quebec area, as is their custom.

Geraldine said, "I am thankful for being a Christian, for family and friends, for having lived another year, and especially for the baby we're expecting in April."



John Ashe, Coating, his wife Rita and daughter Melissa, who will be three in January, traditionally visit both families, since they all live in Transylvania County. This year's activities will depend on the arrival of their second child, expected on Nov. 27.

John said, "I am most thankful for my family."

Kurth Johnson Speaks At 25-Year Club Dinner

Kurth Johnson, Photo Products Department General Manager, Photo Systems, spoke at the annual 25-Year Club dinner on Oct. 16 at the Grove Park Inn, Asheville.

John Golden, Plant Manager, introduced Kurth. Excerpts from Kurth's message are . . .

. . . We've seen the Photo Products Department through some mighty hard times and it's now become a shining star in the Du Pont Company.

. . . The Department needs your continued help to cope with the world changing every day. We need to know about the impact of government, what we face with competent competition, and the need to produce high quality goods at low prices.

. . . We're ahead of the competition because we have a better edge. One of the important elements giving us this edge is tight operational control while growing rapidly.

. . . Experience has helped us keep from making the same past mistakes. We benefit when we don't have to re-learn from the same errors.

. . . We ask your help in paying attention to legislatures in government.



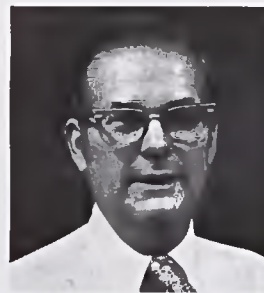
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. . . Only 30 per cent of the voters are making decisions for us. If we don't vote, our competitive edge can inadvertently be taken away by government.

Eighty-seven persons attended, including 39 of the 48 club members, their wives and the Plant Staff, along with the guest speaker, Kurth Johnson, and his wife Magee.

Mel Everingham, club president, recognized seven new members who joined during 1978: Bill Boggs, Winston Cook, Charles Waser, Eddie Frost III, Chuck Holcomb, Fred Reig and Wayne Foote; also eight prospective members in 1979 . . . Lloyd Sidwell, Hugh Gillespie, Ray LeStrange, Art Smart, Marty Flynn, Gordon Marvin, Ed Horni, Jr., and Orville Mull.

Bob McBee was elected president for next year.



Focus:

CONGRATULATIONS! On October 26, 1978 the Plant qualified for its eighth Board of Directors Safety Award. This is the second consecutive year we have earned this award. A

total of 666 days have been worked without suffering a lost workday injury.

Efforts to give safety greater attention on our Plant continues to produce dividends for all of us. The number of employee injuries and serious incidents investigated have been reduced substantially during the past two years. We must continue to correct any remaining unsafe conditions and practices and resist the temptation to become complacent.

Regrettably, this year other Company plants have experienced several very serious accidents that have resulted in loss of lives and injuries. These tragic events should remind each of us of our need to renew our commitment to make our Plant even safer in the future.

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