

# Christmas City At Heritage USA Lights Up Thursday Night

Heritage USA - At 6:10 p.m. Thursday, November 28, the switch will be pulled to turn on more than one million and a quarter lights to officially open America's best attended holiday attraction, Christmas City at Heritage USA. The nightly event will continue from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. through January 31, 1986.

Over one million people are expected to attend this year's event. "Thanksgiving night, we will

begin celebrating 'The Birthday Party' for two exciting months," proclaimed Pastor Jim Bakker, of the Heritage Village Church and its bustling 2,800 acre Christian retreat and campground. "Christmas City is going to be even more magnificent this year as we observe Jesus Christ's birthday at Heritage USA!"

Announcing the opening of the much-heralded Christmas City, Bakker outlined an exciting va-

riety of sights and features. "It will be an event every night," explained FTL's television host.

Included in the holiday festivities are specially decorated major theme areas: Welcome Way, Candy Cane Lane, Angel Boulevard, A Country Christmas, and the newest spectacular attractions—Grand Tree Boulevard and Christmas Island.

A highlight of this year's drive-in, walk-through event is the new

five-acre Water Park that has been transformed into Christmas Island. Visitors will stroll past a variety of exquisite scenes of Christmas, including Mrs. Claus' Christmas Kitchen, The Penguin's Igloo, An Eskimo Family, Beavers' Dam, Santa's Deer, and Children's Christmas Morning. Plus, a street theatre troupe, carolers, and the Christmas City Band.

Also featured will be an old-fashioned Christmas on Main

Street, as well as carolers, a brass quartet, and area choirs performing throughout the winter wonderland at Heritage USA. The lobby of the Heritage Grand Hotel will feature a giant Victorian Christmas tree.

Miniature train rides will wind around the brilliantly-lit Christmas Island, and tram tours of the entire Christmas City route will add to the unique holiday setting.

Heritage USA is located near Charlotte on the NC-SC border.



Representative James F. Richardson of Mecklenburg County has been appointed by House Speaker Linton B. Ramsey as a member of the North Carolina Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. The commission will promote and coordinate North Carolina's observance of the 200th anniversary of the adoption of the nation's Constitution. The Constitution will be 200 years old on September 17, 1987. Richardson, of Charlotte, represents part of Mecklenburg County in the 59th House District.

## Dance Company Presents Free Performance

Free performances of "The Nutcracker" ballet and Charles Weidman's "Bach's Christmas Oratorio" will usher in the Christmas season at Central Piedmont Community College (CPC).

Dance Central's Christmas performance will be at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, December 13-14, and at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 15. Performances will be in Phase Auditorium on the CPC campus.

The CPC performance of Weidman's piece is one of the few times it has been performed since the dance pioneer's death in 1975. It was restaged for Dance Central by Deborah Carr, head of New York's Theatre Dance Ensemble, the only company in the U.S. whose interest is preserving the works of Weidman and Doris Humphrey.

"We hope Ms. Carr will return next season to expand the production to its original full length," said CPC modern dance Director Mary Ann Mee. "Weidman is one of modern dance's premier choreographers and this is considered to be one of his masterpieces, one of his strongest pieces."

Performers in the Weidman piece will include some of Charlotte's best-known dance instructors - Davis Heustess, Mayreese Koraly, Robert Lenten, and CPC's Mary Ann Mee, Petria Foss, Kathryn Schlee and Michele Allen.

Performances are free, but reservations must be made in advance. For details, call 373-6436.

## Thompson

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his undergraduate degree in health and physical education from Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN. Juggling two professions, Thompson's driving school is opened Monday through Friday from 3:30 to 9 p.m.

Presently, Thompson's operation is a one-man one. He does plan to expand his business as it grows, which will eventually mean adding to the 1986 Pontiac Sunbird in which he teaches his students. He also hopes to secure contracts with the City's private schools.

For the average student, Thompson feels that he or she can learn to drive in a period of 90 classroom hours and six hours on the road, but adding that "sometimes it also depends on the nervousness of the student."

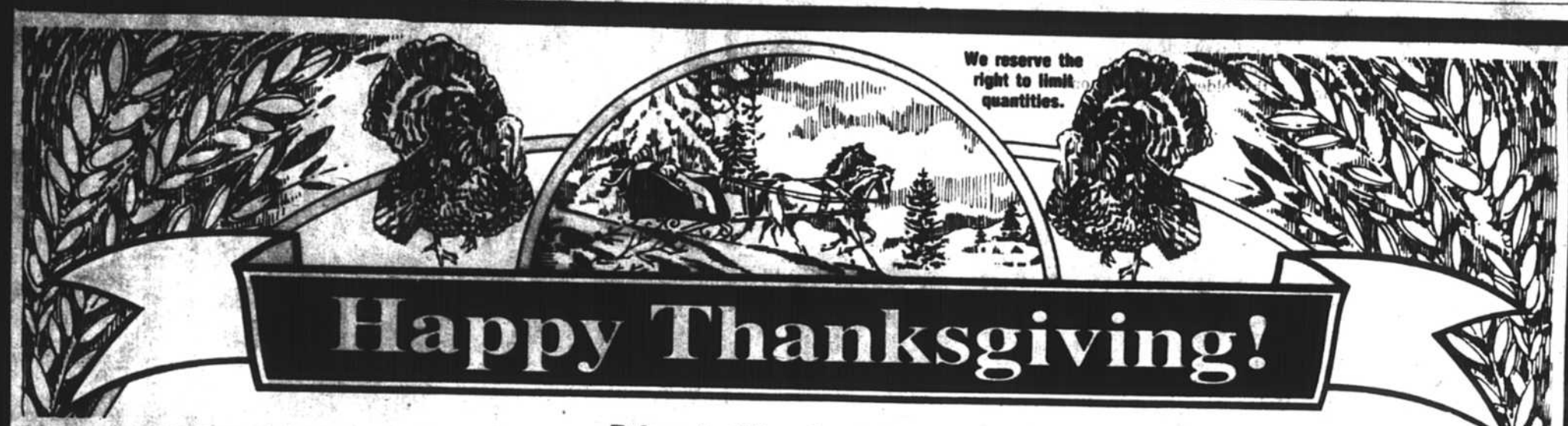
A member of the N.C. Traffic Safety Association, Thompson has the utmost of patience even with the most nervous of his students. He recalled an incident when one of his students panicked when she discovered they were driving beside a tractor trailer truck. The student got so nervous that she began to steer in the direction of the truck, heading underneath the vehicle. "All I could do was pray that she wouldn't and I eventually had to steer the car out of that path. From then on, I didn't have any nerves. They're all shot."

## ADVERTISEMENT

God said, When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Ezekiel 33:8  
God said, So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Isaiah 55:11



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