

STAFF NEWS



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



National Costumes from Africa, Asia and other parts of the globe mingled with maxis and hot pants at the Fund's December 11 Christmas party in the Washington Hilton. Surveying the record attendance Managing Director Pierre-Paul Schweitzer recalled the first Christmas event he attended in the Fund in 1947: an eggnog party

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in the Managing Director's office, that easily fitted all comers. This year's party assembled 1450 staff members with the wives and escorts. Our pictures show what it was like, for the adults and for the children at their own Sunday afternoon meeting with Santa Claus. There were 1300 at that party, not including Santa Claus himself who made his traditional entrance. Prominently featured in beautiful national costumes on page 2 are Mrs. Nana Sidibe of Mali with daughter Fatoumata and Mrs. Maliha Kayoumy of Afghanistan with daughter Roya. Santa seems at least as much impressed as the children! Good cheer prevailed on Saturday night as well as Sunday afternoon as these candid of Joseph Diana's photographic staff show abundantly in a montage by Bob Frederick.



New Members of Fund Staff



Mr. Alex Ashiabor
Ghana - ETR



Mr. Muhammad Bhuiyan
Pakistan - TRE



Miss Maria Blacut
Bolivia - SEC



Miss Juliana Blok
Australia - ADM



Miss Angela Collymore
Barbados - FAD



Mr. Geoffrey Cooksley
Australia - SEC



Mr. Sheetal Chand
Uganda - FAD



Miss Teresa Galvan
Mexico - INST



Mr. Mariano Gurfinkel
Venezuela - RES



Miss Jane Knott
U.K. - ADM



Miss Linda MacDonald
U.K. - RES



Miss Greta Mehlem
Germany - LEG



Mrs. Kathleen Nelick
U.S. - BUR



Mr. Chike Ozumba
Nigeria - OED



Mr. Peter Swain
U.K. - ADM



Mrs. Teresa Ter-Minassian
Italy - FAD



Miss Deborah Wheelon
U.S. - ADM

SEVERAL DAYS OF CRITICALLY IMPORTANT monetary discussions started off last week with a day-long session at the Fund on Thursday, December 16. The Group of Ten Deputies met, first separately and then with the Executive Board of the Fund, in the IMF Institute Auditorium, where a long baize-covered oval table had been set up. A press communiqué afterwards reaffirmed the central role of the Fund in connection with the reform

of the international monetary system. In between sessions about one hundred participants gathered for a short reception and a lunch in the Executive dining room. A special press center had been set up in the staff lounge where dozens of reporters waited. Mr. Schweitzer and Mr. Rinaldo Ossola, Chairman of the Deputies, were photographed together in the first-floor lobby before the joint session started. The joint session began at 3:00 p.m. with Mr. Schweitzer and Mr. Ossola acting as co-Chairmen and lasted for about two and a half hours. During both meetings special security arrangements prevailed which put part of the fourth floor in the immediate neighborhood of the meeting room out-of-bounds to all except the participants.



ROSEWOOD, MAHOGANY, CAMPHOR, MAPLE, CHERRY AND RED SANDALWOOD are some of the beautiful materials Japanese sculptor Shin Higuchi uses in the darkly handsome carvings that loom in the Twelfth Floor Gallery amidst the fantastic forms of painter Sanko Inoue's works. The art of both men, and especially that of Mr. Inoue, are a marriage of East and West, in the painter's case between the ancient Eastern Tobae style of Japan and the abstract sculptures of Henry Moore.

Sculptor Higuchi invokes the primeval forests of Japan as a source of inspiration that taught him the real aspects of nature.

The impressive joint exhibition of the two outstanding Japanese artists was opened on December 8 by Art Society President Nancy O'Rourke who introduced Mr. Inoue and Mr. Higuchi, the latter responding briefly in Japanese to express his gratitude for the Fund's hospitality and to thank the numerous art lovers attending the opening.

Afterwards 72-year old Mr. Inoue, dressed in the century old Gagaku costume he inherited from his father, performed a traditional dance in the center of the gallery. Gagaku - literally "elegant music" - covers classical dancing and singing as well as instrumental music. Its origins date back thousands of years and it is only very rarely performed now and then only by the Music Department of the Imperial household in Tokyo. Mrs. Inoue and a friend also gave brief excerpts from the better known traditional Noh plays. Our pictures show the artist couple during their performances, with Mrs. Inoue in the white mask, her husband in the dark one.

THE FUND/BANK INTERNATIONAL CAMERA CLUB meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 1972, will feature a color slide show on "The World of Insects" by Dr. Ronald S. Goor of the Smithsonian's Natural History Museum. The regular slide competition for members only will also be held.

The Club's Second Photographic Exhibition is scheduled for March 7 through March 31. Submissions will be received from January 12 through January 26. A flier containing complete details for exhibitors, who must be members of the Club, may be obtained from Mr. Sven Cronquist, Room 614. Prospective members should contact Mrs. Ingrid Mills, Ext. 2811.

Mr. Robert Branstead, Chief of Visual Information of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, judged the slides entered in the competition of December 7 and the winners were: Class A: 1 and 2. Vita Rietveld (wife of Bank member); 3. Harold Shipman (Bank); 4. Sven Cronquist (Fund). Class B: 1. Howard K. Carlson (Fund); 2 and 5. Juhani Laurila (Bank); 3. Carlo Rietveld (Bank); 4. Emily Awid (Bank).

TRAVEL MEDICATION. Staff members requiring medication for use on mission assignments are asked to place their requests at the Health Room at least 48 hours prior to departure. This will ensure that the medication will be available in time.

FULL BWRC MEMBERSHIP, reserved for Fund staff members, currently stands at 668 and associate membership, from related financial and U.N. institutions, at 277. In the last two months 21 new Fund staffers joined.

IMF-BANK SKI CLUB PLANS TRIPS. At the November 16 opening meeting, the following officers for 1971-72 were elected: Eberhard Fischer, President; Yusuke Onitsuka and John Ducker, Vice Presidents; Hugo Schielke, Treasurer; Grace Stokes, Secretary; Margaret Kelly, Assistant Secretary; John Surr, Historian; and Margaret Schwarz, Assistant Treasurer. Ski Club President Eberhard Fischer announced a number of trips that are planned for the coming ski season for all kinds of skiers and all kinds of budgets. In mid-December a group of about fifteen joined other Washington area skiers on a charter flight to Austria, and another group will follow for two weeks in January. A third flight to go in mid-March is now being planned, and persons interested in this possibility are urged to contact Yusuke Onitsuka at extension 4412. Meanwhile, back in the United States the Club will sponsor two long-weekend package tours: one to Mount Snow, Vermont on January 23-28, and another to Killington, Vermont, on February 18-22. Interested persons should contact Margaret Saukel at extension 2479 for the Mount Snow trip, and Eric Spitaler at extension 3183 for the Killington trip. In addition to these longer trips, the Club will charter buses for one-and two-day trips to ski resorts reasonably close to Washington on most of the winter weekends. The Club has been given discount privileges at Seven Springs, Pennsylvania and The Village House Motel's ice skating rink in Falls Church. Club membership is also useful from the standpoint of receiving rebates on tours for which the Club's income exceeds its expenditures. Dues are \$5, and they may be paid to Eberhard Fischer, President, F-332. The bulletin boards adjacent to the cafeterias of the Bank and the Fund may be consulted for details of forthcoming trips.

THE SOCCER CLUB has been active this past fall and played a number of games at BWRC. The last three matches opposed the IMF Club to the Rockville Dynamos and two NASA teams, which were defeated 6-1, 6-1 and 7-3 respectively. Weather permitting another match might be arranged against IMF Institute participants.

THE FUND'S HORSEBACK RIDERS have moved with Patricia Kenny, formerly Patricia Dunkle, and her riding school to Galithea Farm, a beautiful place with white board fences and acre-sized carpets of lush bluegrass. Situated at one of the last bends of River Road it has undoubtedly become a familiar sight to Bretton Woods patrons.

Because of its short distance from BWRC, Galithea will provide an added attraction for potential riders and parents of eager children who found the distance from River Oak to Bretton Woods to be a deterrent in the past.

A new program of riding instruction and horse care clinics has been devised for implementation early spring. Meanwhile our winter program will be mostly trail rides to keep in shape with lessons held as weather permits.

You are welcome to call and make reservations for either at any time. The new telephone number is: 948-1881.



THE STAFF ASSOCIATION'S BY-LAWS have been amended following a vote which showed 438 members in favor of the amendments proposed by the Association's Committee and 55 members against. One of the results is that

the Committee's tenure has been extended to coincide with the Fund's fiscal year ending April 30, 1972. Proposed amendments to the Constitution failed to obtain the required two thirds majority of all members. Our picture shows the committee at an open meeting with members prior to the balloting. A general meeting will be called.

TWENTY-FIVE YEAR STAFF. In December, the following staff members commemorated their twenty-five years of service: Mr. J. P. Sallé, Paris Office; Mrs. Frances Colohan, Administration; Mrs. Mary Stein, Treasurer's; Mrs. Althea Tibbs, Secretary's; Mrs. Jane Evensen, Secretary's; Miss Olga Sivicky, Research.

TWENTY-YEAR STAFF. In December, the following staff members completed twenty years of Fund service: Mr. Alberto S. Foz, African; Mrs. Merle DeLaney, Asian; Miss Marthe Arès, Secretary's.

MARRIAGES. Mr. William Parmena of the African Department and Miss Nyambura Gikuihi were married on October 26, 1971.

BABIES. A daughter, Isabelle Francoise, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Huillet (Patricia) on August 4, 1971; a daughter, Gabriela, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jose Soncini (Juana) on September 4, 1971; a daughter, Jennifer Anne, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Tioseco (Annie) on September 19, 1971; a daughter, Leslie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Hsu (Alice) on September 26, 1971; a daughter, Marina, was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. Palamenghi-Crispi on September 30, 1971; a son, Melvyn Joseph Jr. was born to Mr. and Mrs. Melvyn Austin (Erlinda) on October 8, 1971; a son, Stefan Sun, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kyung Mo Huh on October 18, 1971; a daughter, Claire Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Roche (Kim-Lien) on November 2, 1971; a son, Robert Adrian, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Aldo Polo on November 24, 1971.

HIGH ABOVE THE MURMUR OF VOICES in the Institute Auditorium where the Group of Ten Deputies met at that moment other voices were lifted in more melodious harmony as the Fund-Bank Chorus gave its Annual Christmas Concert in the Fund's Twelfth Floor Gallery on Thursday, December 16. After the first performance on the previous evening an even more heavily attended concert brought Mozart's Regina Coeli and Charpentier's Midnight Mass for Christmas, based on French Christmas carols. Chorus Director Mrs. Jean Tarnawiecki had again coaxed a beautiful performance out of the ever-expanding chorus and its instrumentalists, who had given up much of their free time to bring the Fund and Bank staff this musical celebration of the Christmas event.

CLARENCE A. CAREY of the Administration Department is retiring at the end of this month after nearly twenty-four years with the Fund. Mr. Carey who heads the day-to-day operations of the Fund's twenty messengers, and whose courteous helpfulness is proverbial, became one of the best-known members of the staff during his long service.



IT SEEMS A PITY that the staff member who tackled André Gide's "Les Nourritures Terrestres" wasn't able to continue on his cultural binge because he lost the book. Another may completely have given up jogging when he mislaid his track clothing. And a musical evening must surely have been spoilt when the record album didn't turn up. Headaches might have been prevented with the contents of a lost pill box and the windows of one staffer's house may still stand bare and drapery-less. A complete list of other lost and found articles with lots of glasses, gloves, purses, scarves, sweaters, umbrellas, keys, earrings and more exotic items can be consulted at the Guard's desk. They will shortly be disposed of.