The Holidays
Santa Claus for the children, Christmas and Kwanzaa parties for everyone, toys for tots and much more will be happening around the Department of Correction for the holidays as several facilities and fraternal organizations gear up for the season.

For Children
Officers at the Anna M. Kross Center are giving toys to homeless children. Members of the Correction Guardian Association, Inc., will visit Harlem and Bellevue Hospitals in Manhattan, Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn, Elmhurst Hospital in Queens, Bronx Lebanon Hospital and the Bureau of Child Welfare in the Bronx. Brooklyn House of Detention for Men will also give toys to children in a city agency.

For Families
Brooklyn House of Detention for Men, 725 Atlantic Avenue, will hold its annual Christmas party for children and their families this month at the months of Columbus Hall, 828 60th Street in Brooklyn. Santa, a magician, exchange of gifts, food, music and games, $50 per family. Information: the organizers, Capt. Leonard Monroe, Officers George Montgomery, John Kudrcki, Audrey Campbell and Christine Stewart, 1-718-522-7260.

C-73 (formerly the Correctional Institution for Women) will hold Family Day, Monday, December 5. Activities — buffet, games, entertainment and a tour of an inmate housing unit — will begin at 6 P.M.

The Family Support Group will sponsor a special event for children in February. Details: Dr. Natalie Hannon, 1-212-266-1000.

La Lay De La Salsa, a 12-piece band composed of correction officers from the Hispanic Society, will entertain inmates two evenings in December at the House of Detention for Men and the Brooklyn Correctional Facility. Sponsored by Canada Dry.

The North Facility will have Santa Claus and toys in the visitors area. The Queens House of Detention for Men will have toys paid for by Macy's. Manhattan House of Detention for Men will have an Inmate Family Day on December 16.

The Salvation Army, will donate toys to the Brooklyn Correctional Facility. It will host a party for the inmates and their families a religious service and carol singing.

Parties
Plans for the annual Christmas parties are underway at the Bellevue Hospital Prison Ward and the Bronx House of Detention for Men, Call Officer Joan Garcia, BHPW, 212-561-4333; and Programs Cpt, Cherly V. John or Ms. Barbara E. Hendricks, secretary, BPHHD, 1-212-585-8882.

Central Office will hold its annual Christmas party on December 16 at 31 Chambers Street from 5:30 to 9 P.M. Hot buffet, beverages and music by Dillard from Manhattan House. On the same day the Health Management Division, 59-17 Junction Boulevard in Queens, will have a grab bag for gifts and a party for staff.

The House of Detention for Men will have a party for its staff on Friday, December 16, at the Crystal Palace and Oyster Bay Cafeers, 31-01 Broadway in Astoria, Queens. $35.

The Manhattan House of Detention's staff party is on December 20.

The Correctional Institution for Men will hold its Christmas party December 22 at the Marriott Hotel at LaGuardia Airport. Open hot buffet and beverages. Starts at 9 P.M. $35.

Program Services will also have a party at the chapel building on Rikers Island. Call Ms. Landon, 1-718-956-2840.

The Assistant Deputy Warden Association and the Captains Association will sponsor a joint Christmas membership party Wednesday, December 14 at Antunes Restaurant, 9643 Springfield Boulevard, Queens Village, 7-11 P.M. $30. Contact Donald Cranston, 1-212-227-4099.

The Columbia Association will give its annual party for members Monday, December 12. The Correctional Association, Inc., will hold its annual Christmas and Kwanzaa party Sunday, December 18 from 7 P.M. to 1 A.M. at the Pyramind Complex, 89-25 Merrick Boulevard in Jamaica, Queens. Your donation helps to buy toys for children in city hospitals. Advance tickets by December 14, $10; at the door, $15.

The Emerald Society will give its annual Christmas party December 16 at O'Hara's, 46th Street and 30th Avenue in Elmhurst, Queens, from 6-9 P.M. Sandwiches, salads, beverages, $3 to cover. Open to all correctional staff.

And finally, what has the Supportive Services Division been cooking up lately? Carrot cakes for everyone. Word is that they are finger licking good.

Correction People

Around Town
All That Jazz
If you missed "Pasta and Jazz" with the David Wills Quartet at the Cafe Pompollini, 248 West 14 Street, in Greenwich Village last month you can catch the group's performance at the South Oxford Tennis Club, 187 South Oxford Street in Brooklyn. The performance is Saturday, December 10 from 11 P.M. to 2 A.M. (the group's leader, Officer David Wills, works for the Transportation Division.) Tickets, $12 advance, $15 at the door, includes a disco on the first floor. Information: 1-718-443-7875.

50's Doo-Wop Show
The drummer Roberto Roman Jr., Public Affairs Office, performing with Earl Lewis and the Channelbros in Richard Nader's Rock-And-Roll Show, a 50's Doo-Wop Show at the Westbury Music Fair in Westbury, L.I., Tuesday, December 27 at 7 P.M. Box office: 1-212-334-0800.

Moving On
Marcia Goffn, former director of the Department of Correction's Legal Division was named Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of New York, Law Department. Congratulations and good luck Marcia — CENTRAL

Retirements
Robert Brown, director of operations for food service, retired September 30 after 25 years of service in the Department of Correction. Friends and co-workers attended a party for Mr. Brown at Harry's in the Westbury Building Thursday, October 27.

This is the second retirement for Mr. Brown who has spent all of his career in food services. Mr. Brown worked for the railroad for 21 years after the Pullman Co. from 1942-59 and New York Central, 1959-63, after railroad began to operate the Pullman sleeping cars.

Now that Mr. Brown has retired again, will he seek a third job? No, he said. After 46 years of hard work, Mr. Brown said he planned to rest.

Mr. Brown lives in Hollis, Queens.

The Correctional Institution for Men and the Rose M. Singer Center hosted a retirement party for Deputy Warden Frank Gallo. The party was held at Ricardo's, 21-01 24th Avenue in Astoria, Queens, Monday, November 7.

Condolences

Like notes in a song and melodies that linger.

These are the ones in our memories that will be remembered.

To the families and friends and Alice Pettigen, retired, who died October 23. Funeral services were held at the Convent Avenue Baptist Church in Manhattan. On the day of the funeral, the Reverend Louis Di Pretoro, retired, died. Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Roman Catholic Church in Brooklyn. Annie Cooper, mother of Officer Laura Cooper of the Brooklyn Correctional Facility, who died October 30, was buried at St. John's Cemetery in Brooklyn.