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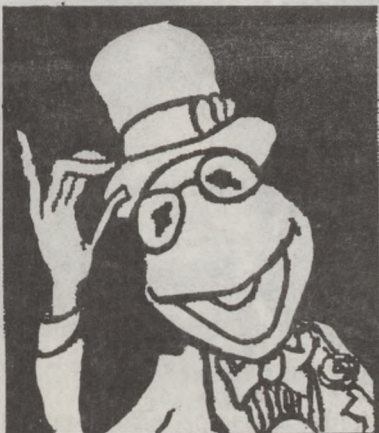
p.n. people

by Heino Ripp

This is a Peacock North - "PRO-TEM" - ("for the time being".) Frank Vierling has agreed to be the new publisher, but he had some commitments taking him to Maine until September-ish, and that was a long interval between publications. So you don't think we've abandoned you-all, I agreed to put together this "Pro-Tem".

To begin, it seemed what **Wini & Jim Mullen** wrote about P.N. on those yellow sheets Dan passed around at La Maganette, was very a propos - **What a cast of great NBC "Stars" - our wonderful Peacock North friends !** (We're delighted to be a part of it.)

Not heard or seen for a long time, my Estonian friend, former unit manager **Aavo Koiv** appeared ! Aavo had directed and produced a video concerning an Estonian ESTO celebration here . I ordered one, got to talking and he wanted to come see you all again. He's been doing independent productions as prod/dir, free-lance engineering supv at WPIX, hit the big five-O July 3rd, is getting married on Aug.28 At Welesley College to **Kathryn Wong** . He's semi retired; loves -- **cont'd Pge 2.**



P.N's Spring Fling Fills LaMaganette

By Dan Grabel

Broadway would label it a **"Smash!"** Gene Shalit would describe it as **"Boffo!"** Winchell would invent a new word, maybe **"Peacocko!"** Everyone walked out after four hours saying **"Great day!~"**

The event was Peacock North's springtime luncheon at La Maganette on 50th Street on Sunday May 23. The Chief, Peter Peterson hoped for 100 retirees and guests and committed the organization for that size tab, but over 130 showed up, crowding the room, stirring wonderful memories in every covey of men and women - all recalling - **Pls turn to Pge 3.**



John Chancellor Retires -

40 years as
**"Journaliste
Superieure"..**

Remember seeing John being escorted off the Convention floor by the seageant at arms?? That was at a Democratic convention (Chicago 1952?). I was the TD at the time, watching his exit until he was out of sight, much to the shock of everyone. How did they dare escort our Chancellor out like that ?? John was always the Gentleman of the industry, always soft spoken, polite, extremely knowlegable.
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Chancellor -

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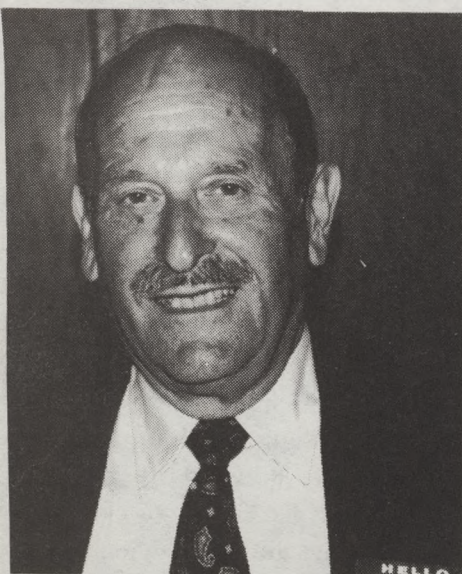
He treated others, no matter what their status, as a real person - he was a "regular guy". I wish John a long healthy and happy retirement, hoping he can enjoy the things he wasn't able to, during his tenure. The best from all of us PN'ers, John.

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fresh and salt water fishing. Currently living in NYC, til end of year, then to Boston or Connecticut. Keep in touch Aavo.

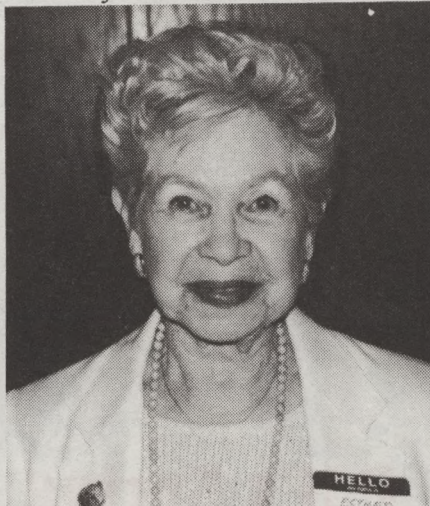


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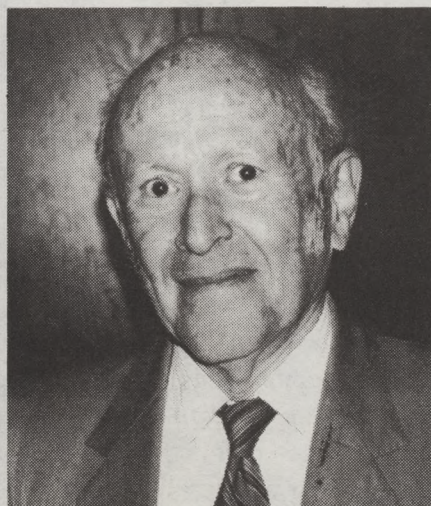
Norman Davidson

Norm Davidson (scenic design), is busy gardening and restoring his old production sketches. Proudly, he announces the arrival of a new grandson, Dylan Lee Davidson. Better finish off the sketches Norm, cause soon you won't find the time. Grandkids take up an awful lot of time, as most of you can attest to.



Ester Weinstein

Speaking of grandchildren -- **Ester + Ben Weinstein** still doing their ballroom dancing and elder-hostling. They keep busy with their grandchildren, having just returned from an elderhostel pgm. of music & dance of the fifties.



Ben Weinstein

the folks who are buffs, the Ham net keeps the group together every morning; but as the summer wore on, the snowbirds flew north, and diminished the amount of contacts. **Hank Folkerts**, K4KO, is usually there, being net control, **Bill Miller**, **Arnold Rand**, **Jim Kneeland**, **Harold Mofsen**, transmit from Fla. Bill is really into his computers these days tracking satellites and weather services, Jim monitors the Cape TV systems during the launches which go up from near his home. I hear **Bob Juncosa** from California quite frequently on the Ham net with a respectable signal, he also is another computer buff, who also gets on the NABET 800 Bulletin Board number and leaves messages for other computer oriented fellows, which includes **Pete Peterson**, **O.Tambourri** from Calif, **Sid Chomsky**, **Harry Katzman** and **Howie Atlas**. There are probably others, but I don't have the full roster. Call any of them if interested

More ham net: **Joe Kolb** booms in, as does **Andy Anderson** from his new home, while **John Ward** (ex audio) reported in while travelling west from Florida from his permanent home, (his motor home) with surprisingly good transmissions. Since this is being written in the beginning of July, John has passed Tuscon Az, and is currently in California. It's terrific that one can keep in touch with you all the way across the country! **Ken Arber** gets into his auto in Fla every morning, turns on the air conditioner, and chats with the old- Turn to Page 12.

Amateur radio luckily for

LaMaganette-2.

the wondrous experiences in the golden days of early TV. As always, a few new faces showed up.

The call was for noon, but many showed up earlier (parking spots are hard to fund on 50th St.!) and the party ran on for four hours, evidence that everyone was enjoying themselves. First-timer **Doug Davenport** (News) had tickets to the knicks-Bullets EAstern Playoff opening game at Madison Square Garden, but remained at La Maganette until 3:45, missing half of the roundball game. Must have been the guest speakers. **Peterson** opened up with a little news on what's doing inside PN: wecontinue to expand, relations with NBC are most amicable, and they even had Peterson and Grabel to lunch recently. And, in spite of the economic pinch, PN dues will remain at \$20. a year. Most of that goes to production of your newspaper and postage.

Dan Grabel thanked our out going publisher Heino Ripp for a job well done, creating the newspaper-sized PN News and handling the compositing, picture selecting and processing, layout, many of the articles and photos, typing,, captions, etc. and arranging for the

printing. A pridigious task for one man. Peterson presented him with "The Order of the Peacock", a plaque commeorating his contribution to the organization. Ripp followed with a brief thank you, and promptly began his total retirement...[But popped in for this one final edition.] It was announced that **Frank Vierling** would assume the publisher's hat.

Peg McKinley of NBC's Human Resources Dept was a PN guest and the representative of Vice President **Ed Scanlon**. She said NBC was anxious to work with PN and even offer some assistance. She noted that her department had 12 employees under **Mary Stringfield** (now ex-NBC) and that it now has a staff of four. Peg said NBC played host to 140 young girls on "Take Our Daughters to Work Day"... (See that story elsewhere in PN newsletter.)

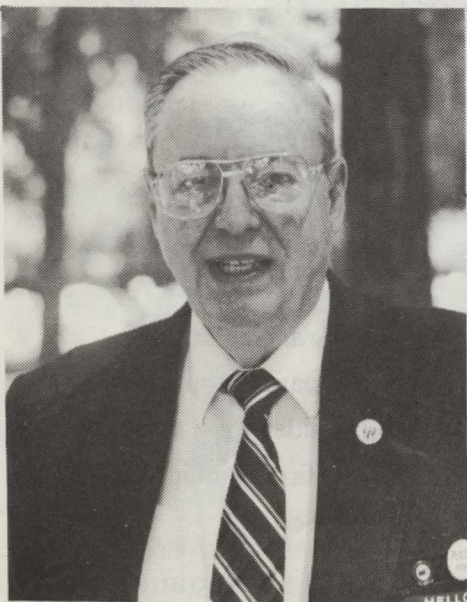
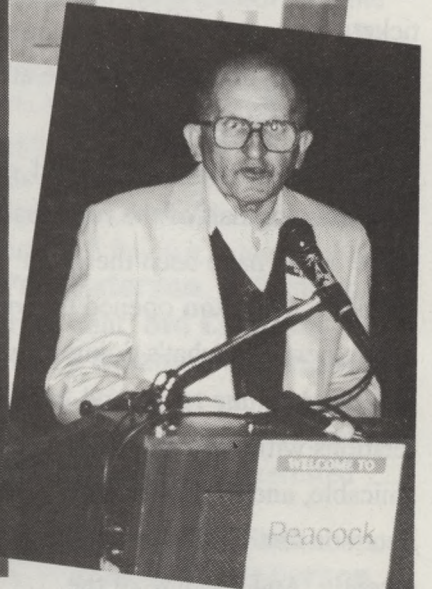
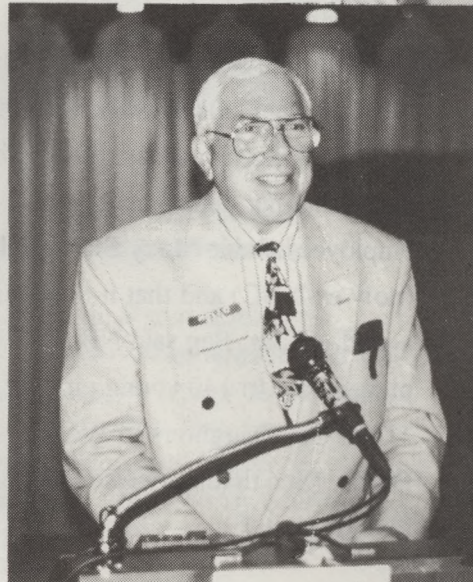
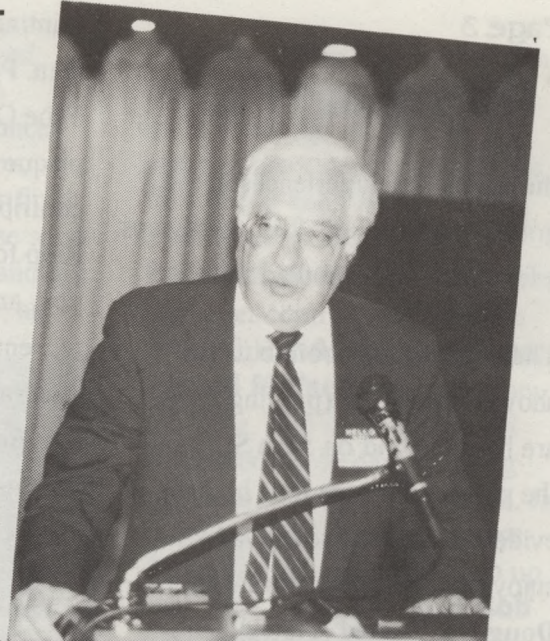
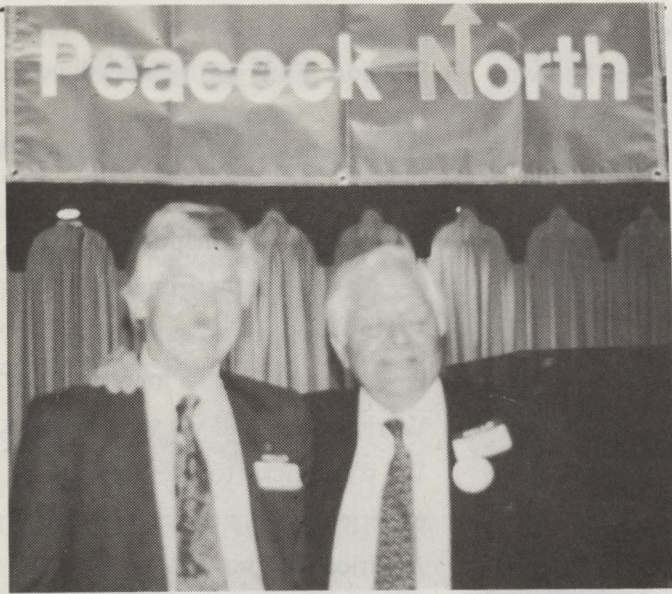
Joe Meehan, once a News Dept Producer\writer who moved to the United Nations until his first retirement and now is teaching at Columbia University, recalled his days at 30 Rock. It was an era when perfection was demanded and acheived in a low \-key atmosphere. He remembered **Chet Hagan's** succinct exhortation at the start of one of the dozens of instant specials and space- shot programs he

produced -- "Lets's win this one." Succinct?? It's hardly a headline!

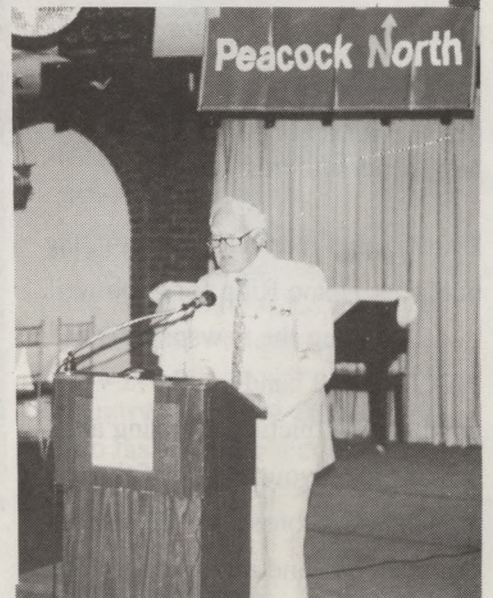
For him, said Meehan, "Nothing has the impact equal to the PN Newspaper. It transports me back decades to another time, another age. We all had decades in the limelight, not the 15 minutes Andy Warhol once said we would all get. We were lucky to take part in experiences thgat transfixed life in America, and now we're able to recall it via the PN newspaper."

Next to the microphone, **John Scuoppo**, a 23 year NBC man, and formerly vice president of NBC Enterprises, the department that turns NBC programs, NBC Logos and NBC personalities into more income. John recalled a 1966 effort to get publicity for a Tarzan movie the net was producing in Mexico. He invented a number of one-time Tarzans: Johnny Weismuller, James H. Price, Ron Ely, Danny Miller and Jock Mahoney to the location and put them all in loin cloths. It was a great picture opportunity and got worldwide notice. He recalled too, actor/singer Ed Ames' appearance on the Tonight Show. Johnny Carson handed Ames a tomahawk and asked him to toss it at a cardboard cutout of a man on the other side of the stage. Ames took aim, fired, and hit the paper man in the crotch!

go to La Maganette 3.



1. Heino & Peter
2. Joe Meehan
3. Heino showing his P.P.
(Peacock Plaque)
4. John Scuoppo
5. Howard Atlas
6. Frank Vierling - Next
P.N. Publisher.
7. Dan Gabel



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Scuoppo said they didn't try to turn that into dollars but it got a lot of attention. Scuoppo wrapped up with one more about the Tonight Show, circa 1967. Seems the California town of Essex, population 61, could not get a tv picture out of the air of the Carson Show. When the formerly taped Tonight Show went live, the entire town of 61 people was invited to a day in Burbank. Another hit for the promotion department.

Howard Atlas, who is still active in International NABET, said retirees can get information about medical plans, 401K investments, long-term cars, Medicare supplements and related information by phoning 1-800-638-8113. Additionally, Atlas said that retirees with computers and modems can reach into the NABET Electronic Bulletin Board info by dialing 1-800-336-6516.

Atlas, who is new to the golf links, said he had found out how to achieve immortality. Said Howard, "If you are determined to play golf until you learn, you'll live forever".

TV director **Walter C. Miller** was introduced as the man who will direct the next Tony Awards Show. He spotted familiar faces in the audience and recalled incidents

on the shows they worked for him. He remembered one engineer who pulled 1,300 feet of cable, but had the wrong end at the mobile unit. Peterson got even by recalling that Miller only had two names, not three, before he was assigned to the Tony's.

Pete followed that with an anecdote about the director who planned a shot from the RCA Building roof and kept engineers busy for two days pulling cable up to the 63rd floor. Came show time and it was a foggy morning. The camera panned for a high shot of Manhattan and scanned only fog until the camera panned across a still picture on an easel -- a visualization of what the director hoped to achieve. As the camera hit the photograph, the director yelled, "Freeze it, that's the shot!" That got a laugh from the audience, including director **Marcia Kuyper Schneider**.

Gloria Clyne, still at 30 Rock after 40 plus years (started as a teenager) told about losing her NBC ID. It cost her \$3. for a new one!

Dick Dudley asked the crowd for help gathering Fred Coe anecdotes. One of Dick's friends is writing a biography and is seeking material.

Ray DiPrima announced that the NBC Florida Retiree group will hold their next gathering, their 10th annual, on March 14 and 15,

1994 at the Clarion Plaza Hotel in Orlando, Florida.

Honors for long distance travel to get to La Mag event were shared by several couples, including **Lee and June Carlton** who came from Florida. Honors for the shortest distance travelled went to **Audrey and Jack Marshall**, who walked from 48th street and Third Ave.

The Spring Fling was wrapped up at 4PM -- our lease on La Maganette had run out!... - Same time next year? O.K. with me!

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Pete Peterson Announces Mini-Lunch, At Picco Lissimo September 21st at Noon !

Pete had a bit of anxiety lately, thinking about the time between PN's get togethers. Due to the favorable reaction at the La Maganette meeting, he has announced that yes, **there will be a Picco Mini-Lunch in Fort Lee**, N. J. Piccolissimo is located at xxxx Palisade Ave, South of the

Geo. Wash Bridge... **Y'-ALL
COME. yuh HEAH?**

AT 30 ROCK

By Dan Grabel

One of the best quips we've heard recently is attributed to Al McGuire, the Sports Commentator "I've worked with more dead mikes than an Irish undertaker!"

Among those who have ankled NBC in recent days is Karen Scott, a six time EMMY-award-winning producer. She toiled on the local news for a decade and, on her resignation, the news director surprisingly sent out a memo wishing her a bon voyage. Scott, who quickly moved to WPIX as exec producer of the 10 PM news, had been downgraded twice in the past year: first she was shifted to weekend shows, then plunked into the writer's pool. She joins never-smiling anchorman Jack Cafferty, another WNBC alumnus.

The Columbia Journalism Review gave a tip of its hat to abunch of local newspeople and engineers for having better editorial taste than management. David Dias, Richard Kramer, Carol Jenkins, and two dozen NABET engineers objected to working on a sweepsweek tabloid-type segment titled "How to Tell if Your Child is Gay." It was eventually produced by an outside freelancer. Dias and Kramer refused to work on it and soon after quit. Jenkins refused to narrate it. And the EJ editors, say The Review, took a day off to demonstrate "their discomfort with the downmarket direction of their work."

NBC is joining the battle against harassment by hiring Trent Whitehead as the new Director of Diversity and Employee Counseling. (We know what employee counseling is, but what's this "Diversity"?) Ed Scanlon's announcement of the new job included a two-page list of don'ts including "offering employment benefits in exchange for sexual favors."

Life is not all bad at the former RCA BLDG. To celebrate its number one position in the eleven pm news competition, NBC threw a party in May at the posh Sea Grill Garden beside the skating rink. One partygoer tells us it was like "old times." The food and drink was lavish. Loads of compliments for the staff. One partygoer told us they introduced themselves to Jack Welch the GE major domo, who was very friendly, and surprisingly (said the partygoer) very short! Hey Napoleon was a short guy and he did pretty well until Waterloo.

Welch had good news for NBC employees when he announced in mid-April that the net "is not for sale." NBC was the lone bidder for the January 1994 super bowl at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta. The NFL's minimum bid: \$40 million. The NBC bid: \$41 million. CBS and ABC said they were dissatisfied with the NFL's procedure and did not make an offer.....NBC has signed a new pact with the NBA, giving the NBA a 25 percent to \$750 million for four years, and the NBA will share profits after NBC's basketball income passes \$1.06 billion.

Capital City/ABC settled a new contract with NABET employees: a five percent bonus this year and a 10 percent raise over the next three years. Could be the basis for NBC's next negotiations. ABC is said to be ready to offer another round of buyouts. Last December, 500 employees took a 1992 buyout offer. In obvious keep-the-cost-down maneuver, ABC News has entered a partnership with the BBC. It is already had one with the NHK Japanese network.

NBC picked up a Peabody Award in April for "The More You Know", a public service campaign to provide a range of useful information.

What with "Cheers" having such a popular reception upon its departure after eleven years on the air. You wonder why NBC doesn't turn around and revive the Paramount-produced program. A piece of the set may go to the Smithsonian Institution for posterity. One news report we saw said actor Ted Danson, one of "Cheers" bartenders, earned \$450,000 anepisode!

Other people coming and going: Margaret Larson, occasional substitute for Katie Couric on "Today," relocated to Seattle with her producer husband..... Judy Woodruff, an NBC alumnus, is now at CNN, having left MacNeil-Lehrer. Roger Mudd will return to the show where he previously worked for five years until 1992 when he took a professorship at Princeton.

... Former correspondent Arthur Kent has won a preliminary
Look for 30 Rock 2.

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skirmish in his \$25 million suit vs NBC. A judge ruled that Kent's charges of breach of contract, fraud and defamation will be heard in a federal court in L.A.....

Kent won a Gold Award and an Eastman Kodak Award for his cinematography at the Houston Film Festival for his 16 minute film, "A View of Bosnia." The film also was shown at a Human Rights film festival in New York and will get theater playdates in Kent's native Canada.....

WNBC sports reporter Len Berman is said to be sorry about signing with WFAN radio to so early morning broadcasts with Daily News reporter Mike Lupica because it means his work day begins at 7:45 AM and ends at 12:45 AM five days a week.

Connie Chung has Dan Rather, and now Katie Curic has Tom Brokaw! Not for the evening news, but for "NBC Prime Story," or whatever they finally name the new magazine show.

Faith Daniels. Fred Francis, and Mike Schneider were supposed to star in that one, but new News prexy Andy Lack decided the Brokaw-Curic team will be a stronger entry for the fall lineup. The trio of correspondents will do pieces for that mag. The producers will be Jeff Zucker and Paul Greenberg.

Steve Friedman is back as the executive producer of "Today." At his first staff meeting, it is said, Friedman's statements to the staff included these: "Some people here are gonna die, and I'm not going

to be one of them!" and "You don't have to worry where you stand with me, I'll stab you in the front!" In his own words, Steve described himself as "a colorful character." Well, we've got a few pipelines into the third floor offices so we'll hope for firsthand reports on life at the new "Today."

Jeff Gralnick, a long-time news biggie at ABC has moved in

as exec producer of "Nightly News," and there's a report that he will bring along a buddy to replace Cheryl Gould as senior producer. It's the customary executive procedure to protect your flanks and reward old chums.

Back to the Brick-bats: Newsday tv columnist Marvin Kitman did a half page of angry prose when NBC hired Pete Williams, the one-time Defense Department information spokesman who gained a modicum of fame during the Persian Gulf War. Kitman called the hire shocking and added "Williams was one of the architects of the most reprehensible press censorship politics we've ever had. He was the man behind the infamous DOD National Media POOL that turned reporters into government tools and wimps." Kitman continued, "Williams gave us censorship by delay, by direct interference, by arrest of unilateral reporters." NBC assigned Williams to the Justice Dept. replacing Carl Stern, who departed the network to join the Justice Dept. as head of its public affairs.

NBC almost joined the rest of the poor taste talk shows by inviting those California sex teens named

"The Spur Posse," as guests on "Today." Fourteen of them were invited, but declined. Most wanted cash for talk so we're not sure if they rejected the invite because of the money or otherwise.

A group named American Family Association took a full-page ad in the Times to castigate "Saturday Night Live," along with movies and music videos for "blatantly encouraging sex among teens." SNL was whipped for "allowing skits about masturbation, morticians having sex with dead people, ad nauseam."

Our final negative comment for the day. When you get your name in the comic strips, you know you've made it! A recent syndicated comic titled "Outland" concerned itself with "20th century flaccid visual amusement." The comic character was going "cold turkey" on such fare and the comment went "No game shows! No soaps! No sports, music videos, Nintendo, slasher flicks, home video shows or Faked NBC News Reports."

Brandon Tartikoff, who has held jobs at ABC and as chairman of Paramount Pictures since leaving NBC, will teach next fall at the University of New Orleans. Tartikoff's young daughter is undergoing rehab in N.O. following a car crash and he wants to spend more time near her, says one report.

**HAVE THE BEST of BOTH !
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Tom Brokaw has made another tour of the White House, this time with the Clintons for a special called, "A Day At the White House." **Bill Wheatley** was exec. producer. In the past NBC has done similar tours with Nixon, Carter, Reagan and Bush.

Tom's wife **Meredith** got an award from the CORO organization which trains young people to become community leaders. She has contributed her efforts to CORO for the past decade.

Ross Perot helped fatten the NBC coffers when he paid \$500,000 to express his opinions for half an hour during March. The show included a pitch, asking viewers to each send in \$15.

Would you believe there were fewer commercials on TV during prime time, daytime, during evening news, late news and even weekend sports? Arbitron's study for the Network Television Association found that there was a 16 sec/hr drop in advertising in the prime-time hour and a 73 sec's/hr drop in between programs.

Larry Grossman, an ex-NBC News president and now the president of the Public Broadcasting System, is working on a new cable network that is described as an "upscale C-SPAN."

Bob Goldwater, an NBC alumnus, now a freelancer is writing a Lifestyles Bridge column for the Gannett newspaper chain.

A federal judge has backed the FCC in its action against foul-mouthed broadcaster **Howard Stern** who figured there were no limits on his freedom of speech. The FCC, which prohibits "indecent" broadcasts during the hours of 6am to 8pm, fined Stern \$606,000. Greater Media, Inc.,

which broadcasts Stern's show in L.A. was fined \$105,000. Despite the language, Stern's show is the top rated morning radio fare in both N.Y. and L.A.

And this issue's **Al Roker story**: "I love ties and own about 100 of them. I eat a lot and my tie gets in the way sometimes. Eventually I run hot water through them and can make soup."

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The "old" NBC used to keep news employees informed with **Reuven Frank's** true rumor mill material on the Basys computers. Developments in the department were announced and clarified in this informal, official manner. The GE version is an Employee Teleconference such as the one held in late February. One hundred senior managers from all over the company had met for 3 days in Crotonville, New York to discuss issues that affect NBC now and are expected to affect it in the future. Following the seminar, **Bob Wright** and a panel of people who attended Crotonville informed the masses about the meeting.

The NY Post's Page Six carried an NBC item we have not previously reported. Seems that **Peter Leone**, managing editor at News 4, is entitled, he says, to use a company car on the weekends. He unknowingly borrowed one that contained cameraman's gear for an **EJ man** who was due to go out on assignment at 7am on a Monday Morning. Leone brought the car back after 7am, so as you can expect, there was a bru-ha-ha.

Earlier in the column we reported **David Diaz's** departure because of a refusal to do a story on gays. Another source tells us Diaz left after being asked to do a sweeps week story on "priests who have sex."

If you visit 30 Rock you'll find some physical

30 Rock part 4.

changes, with WNBC moving to new quarters on the sixth and seventh floors, including graphics and a new master control behind the old Studio 6B. You need a special ID card that you put into an electronic card reader. Adding a bit of pizzazz is an Employee lounge.

WNBC reporter **Krista Bradford** on tv's tabloid shows (and she has worked on "A Current Affair," "Now it Can be Told," etc): "Tabloid shows are like hot dogs. If you knew what went into them you wouldn't consume them!"

The networks have agreed to soften the violence seen on tv. This came following **Senator Paul Simon's** Washington hearing on the TV Violence Act, which grants the industry an antitrust exemption if they take some of the blood and gore out of the fare. There will be an industry-wide conference in L.A. this summer as a follow-up. There's nothing like a good Washington threat to clamp down a lid. But we still expect the usual mayhem programs will be schools for crime, teaching viewers a variety of methods to do away with enemies. How much intellectual fodder can the nets feed out and expect to hold the interest of the general low IQ audience?

Five years in the writing, **Steve Friedman's** book "Station Break," was published in late March. It was co-authored by **Rosemary Ford**, a book editor who is now in the banking business. They had an autograph session at Barnes & Noble and the usual modest Steve said, "Everybody who works for me should show up and buy a copy." \$19.95. It's about a local station tv newswoman and its characters are based on folks in the business, so

Steve should be making a lot more friends. About the suggestion that he write his biography, Steve said, "If I tell the truth, I won't have any friends left. If I don't tell the truth, I'm cheating the readers!"

The Washington Beat: Congressional correspondent **Lisa Myers** and White House correspondent **Jim Miklaszewski** have signed "multi-year" contract....**Wendy Wilkinson**, who was a producer assigned to the White House, is now National news director....And on the New York news beat: **John Stack** gets upped from foreign assignment Editor to Director.....**Clare Duffy** goes from "acting" weekend news manager to the possession of that title with full status.....**Don Snyder**, "Today's" evening news producer for the past eons, becomes evening news manager. The announcements came from **David Verdi**, the executive news director. **Mike Clancy**, who had been co-producer of Saturday/Sunday "Today" was promoted to executive producer.....and **David Page**, Clancy's co-producer, has departed the network.

Money is so tight at WNBC that three on-air personalities, **Chuck Scarborough**, **Sue Simmons** and **Dawn Fratangelo** have chipped in to hire a secretary. There's a story around that management gave the secretary some work and Scarborough billed the station at \$47 an hour!

A curious innovation at NBC is a Jerold box channel on which employees can dial up uninterrupted music 24 hours a day, company and industry news, and special promos at Sam Goody music stores. It's called ETC.

(Editor's Note: As always, we are indebted to newsman **Roy J. Silver** for his newspaper clipping file which provides us with bags of news stories on NBC and the tv world.)

Philately is SOMETHING THAT GETS YOU NOWHERE. It is a hobby of collecting STAMPS.

DICK DUDLEY STAMP TRIVIA

By Dick Dudley

I became a philatelist at the age of 8, which served to educate me about nations, presidents, kings and queens, exotic animals and the fact that Goya painted "The Duchess of Alba Nude" --- --(or was it - Alba comma, nude?)

It would be impossible today, to collect every stamp that exists, so many philatelists practice what is known as "Topical Collecting; that is, adopting a single subject.

My collection is unique, as far as I know, and will be until one of you decide to emulate it. I collect stamps that deal with NBC. Yes, there are such stamps, the latest appeared on March 24th with a picture of Grace Kelly who made her debut on the Philco Playhouse.

HOW DO THE FOLLOWING FIT INTO THE NBC COLLECTION ???



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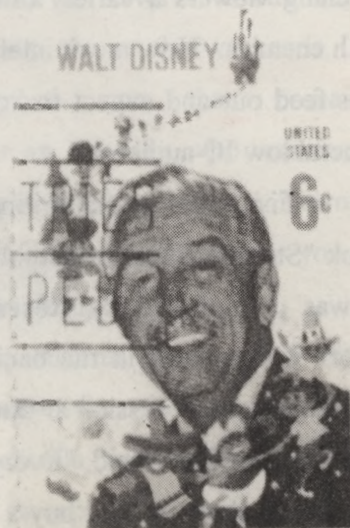
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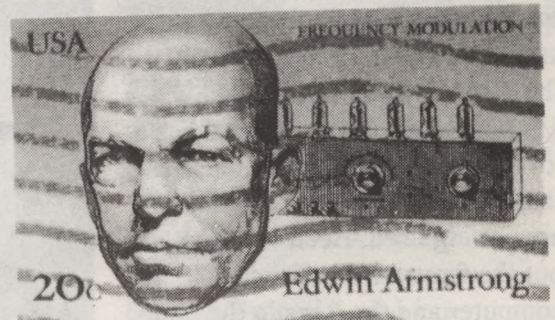
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timers. Ken had delayed his trek north until the temperature lowered in N.J.

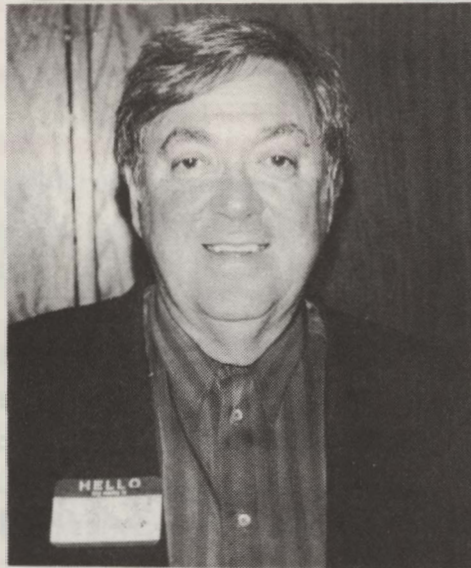
I too get on the air once in a while, hear all the gang except those in the local area (for the signals on 20 meters are for longer distances) My recent kilowatt final addition helps get my signals around the world quite well. Even talked to a Latvian recently.

Haven't heard any Estonians since the independence. Home projects have accrued, but someday a better antenna is in order. I do manage to hear **Bob Higgins** in Manahawken in New Jersey and **John Rice** who was loud from Fla, but much lower from my own state. Also heard **John Lough** the other day from Cape Cod.

My new home (3rd year) still has a lot to be done, so a lot of muscles that have had a rest for a while, are getting used. Been working out the frustrations of the computer and the bugs in the brain trying to get "Windows", a larger hard drive, and a newly installed Dr. Dos, which finally made Windows and the hard drive work.. (This issue is being done on Windows, without any cutting and pasting, except for the photos)...

Also I am finding time for looking into ways to keep the body functioning up to par. Worked with **Bill Klages** (lighting director) and **Walter C. Miller**, sitting in on a Tony Awards seg. Walter as usual did a great job directing this year's Awards. He specializes in those long live extravaganzas. Walter attended the La Maganette bash, and you could see tears of joy being held

back as he hugged some of his old time buddies. Glad you came Rosie...



Walter Miller

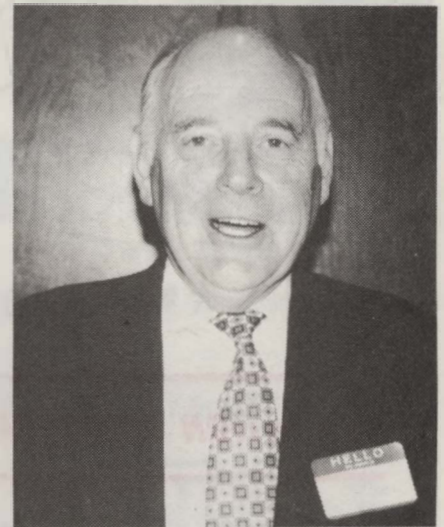


Stewart MacGregory

was sqwooshed in his auto recently, causing much trauma. He, however has recovered to the same Stu that I used to know, full of P___ & V___, but one of the fingers on the left hand can't close properly. Nice to see you and Bette again Stu. I'll always remember those 3am rides home from Brooklyn, especially the

night on Van Wyck Pkwy, when it was raining so hard we couldn't see anything, we pulled over to wait, then after a while realized we were like a sitting duck, parked on the side waiting to be robbed. So, of course, away we went feeling our way..

Ted Nathanson apologizes for missing the Bash, due to his home in Connecticut being damaged by the storm. Is still freelancing, commercials and consulting on "League of Their Own", and wants to report that **Madonna** did not use a double in her head-first slide into 2nd Base in the movie! She belly flopped five times before she got it right! Also Ted spends some time in NY public Schools helping kids to read. He loves children, he now has four grandchildren with two more on the way.



Scotty Connal

Speaking of sports, **Scotty Connal** put a freelance pkg. together with names you all know. Producer- **George Finkel**. Director - **Ted Nathanson** - Exec. Producer - **Scotty Connal** It's the 4th year - Pre season Cleveland Browns Pkg.
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Ed Gough produces films from start to finish for the Port Authority. Is the idea man, writes it, goes out with a cameraman to shoot it, edits it then narrates it... How would he like to be involved in a retirees newsletter????



Louise Malcom

(from Radio recording that I last remember) travels as much as she can and goes on senior citizen group trips and activities. Glad to see you at La Mag, Louise. I'll tell Joyce Fraser that I saw you.



Ross Martindale

(sound effects. et al) and



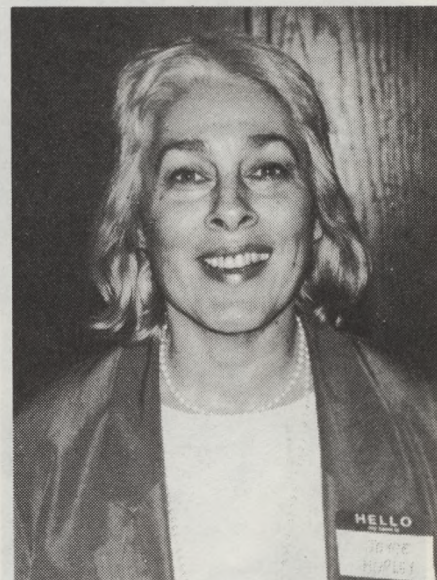
wife Nancy,

case all the way from Yarmouth, Maine just to see all of you. I'm moving up to Maine and throwing away my vitamins right away, for Ross looks like he's in his 40's, but wrong! - he's Eighty !!!! and Ross- " You look maahvelus"

Thank You, **Marian Eiskamp** for the nice note about the Newsletter. Marian wasn't at the bash, for she was in Oregon. She heard from **Greg Garrison** (dir-Show of Shows, Dean Martin etc.) saying he just returned from Africa on Safari. Lives in Palm Springs. When Marian mentioned she was going to Montana, Greg said he had a log cabin there. Marian thinks it may be a cabin - but on a big Ranch, knowing Greg. Hey Greg, Jim Sunder,(then on camera #1) sent me a montage of video of Sid & Imogene. Boy did that bring back some memories!

Joyce Hurley was skiing in Colorado in December (see how up to date we are?) and her orthopedist wouldn't allow her to go to her yearly Alps skiing junket, so she's written a mystery novel, and is looking for an agent. She appeared at La Mag looking

terrific & indicating she's still doing the same thing at work, also practices being a reporter for us, the source for this and the next few items. Thanks, Joyce. Hope the Doc lets you go to the Alps this year!



Joyce Hurley

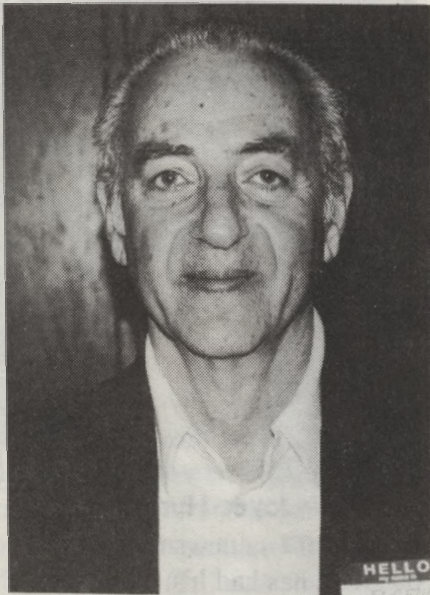
Ed Hanna ,a newsman in the 60's-70's has had his 1st novel published entitled "The Whitechapel Horrors". Must be pretty good for it was chosen as a Book of the Month selection... Stewart Bronfeld, who is a producer/writer in TV A & P has two books being published soon. Is currently working in a theater in Westport, Conn... **Warren Hogan**, a NABET engineer, left a few years ago during the 1st wave of buyouts, now resides in Tuscon Arizona, now working doing cultural stuff for a charity or the gov't. (same thing). **Guy LeBow**, sportscaster & commantator who we've mentioned in the past, is working on his fourth book. This one is about Freddie Barthlemew, the actor/director English boy , very big in the '40s. **THE** Michael Jackson has written the foreward, being a big fan of Freddie.

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Lebow's most recent work was "Are We on the Air?", - anecdotes about radio + TV personalities.

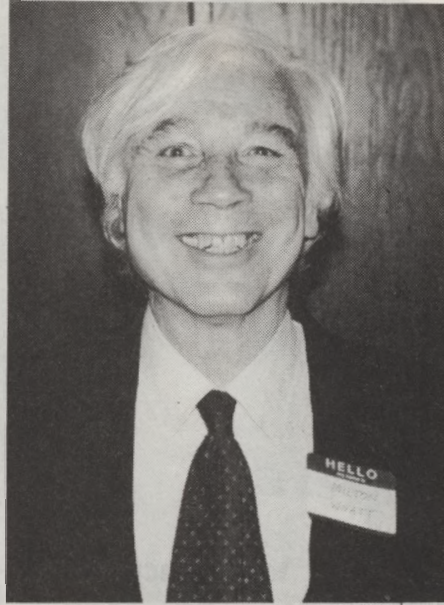
A party leaflet read that
Gene Waldstein.



(AD extraordinaire), after 76 years at NBC (well it seemed like that) finally hung up his PI, and is selling his stopwatch and his private collection of Bill Bolster cards. His friends celebrated with him at a party at Blake's on May 6th.. Gene was at LaMag, and is looking forward to actually seeing a real sunset in the evenings and even sleeping late in the mornings - if he wanted to.

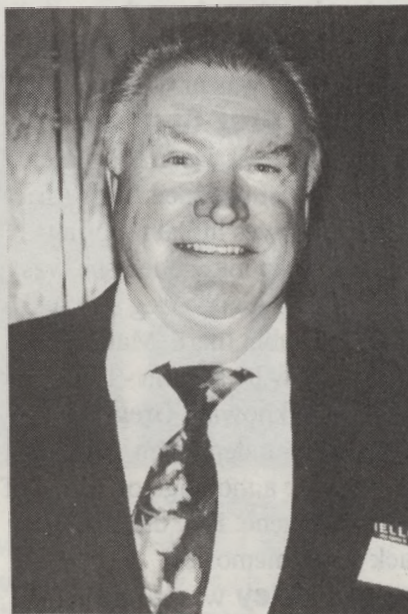
He doesn't watch the news any more, I hear, but watches those nature, wildlife shows on cable. **Milt Wyatt** exhorts - My first get-together at LaMag, and it's wonderful. Doing absolutely nothing except travelling mostly to friends in Eng;and + Paris. It's great to see all the familiar faces. In October, is treating the family and grandkids to a week at

Disneyland, while the money lasts and has the energy to do it.



Milt Wyatt

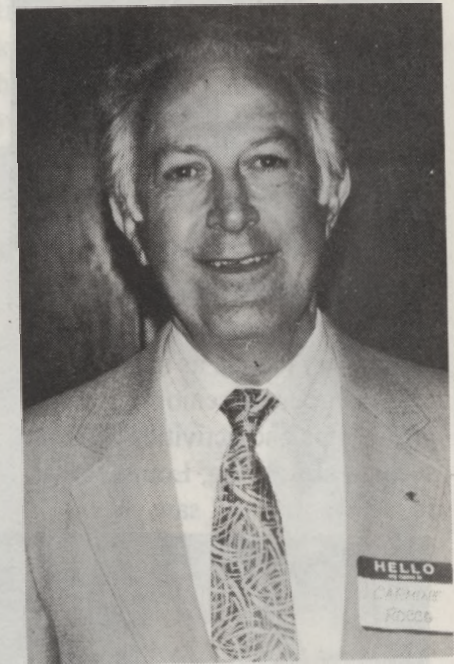
The Raymond Wolf's yell out - retirement has been good to us! We live in a retirement village on the Jersry shore, in Lakehurst, site of the famous Hindenburg crash.



Ray Wolf

We do a lot of travelling - day trips, weekend trips, like most other retirees. Happiness to all...

Pete got a call from **Helen Gaul** from Silver Springs Maryland, who worked in Washington's WRC. She was interested in starting a Peacock Washington, wondering what there is to do to make that happen. Pete mentioned a few members of PN North, who worked at WRC . So you Washingtonians, Helen would like to contact you all; her No. is 202-885-4026. Give her a buzz, it would be nice to have chapters nationwide. How is the California Peacock West coming ??



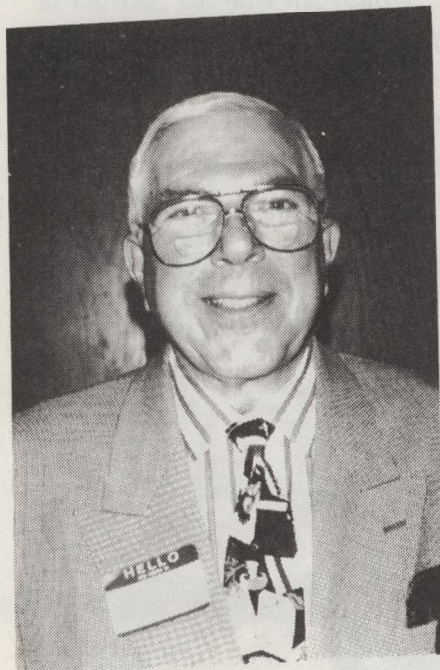
Carmine Rocco

Not all the retirees are staying at home. The **Carmine Rocco's** have been busy doing just that. As an excuse, they visited friends and family around the country, as well as a Land & Sea and Air tour of Alaska, with stopovers in

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Fairbanks, DeNali Park and Seward. Including a 7 day cruise from Seward to Vancouver. Several days in Seattle. Not finished yet a trip to San Antonio, Tx and visited friends in Las Vegas and Fresno, Calif. Time seems to go too fast for them, (tell us about that!).. But they are really enjoying themselves. Regards and good health wishes to all from the Rocco's.



John Scuoppo

(see pge 3 also) is currently associated with J.Crew, a mail order catalog & retail store Co. as Suprevisor of Loss Prevention.

Joe Phillips, formerly Guest Relations and Personnel at NBC, now is with Midlantic Nat'l Bank. Hope you had a good time at La Mag...



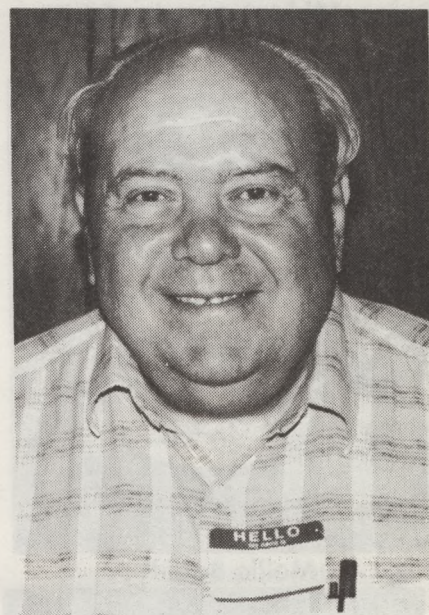
Gigi Harold

took an early in retirement in December, and headed for the water, tried water skiing, then returned to play two hours of tennis DAILY. Says it's more exhausting than going to work. (Bet she wouldn't go back to work tho)..Anyway Gigi said it's great to see everyone again, and she votes - We-all should get together more frequently.

Fran Gennaro : Still doing volunteer work, and busy doing verty little. Fran wants to say hello to **Joe Milroy** in Fla. and **Fred (Red) Mckinnon**. Suggests they come to the P.N. get-togethers, so she can say hello in person. Hey Red + Joe, I second that motion!



Fran Gennaro



Gene Frisch

Gene Frisch sold his typesetting business so he could concentrate on becoming 65 and learning to relax. He now has collected his fifth computer with the purchase of a used Mac. Says it's like an addiction, but loves it.(and some people go nuts over ice cream)

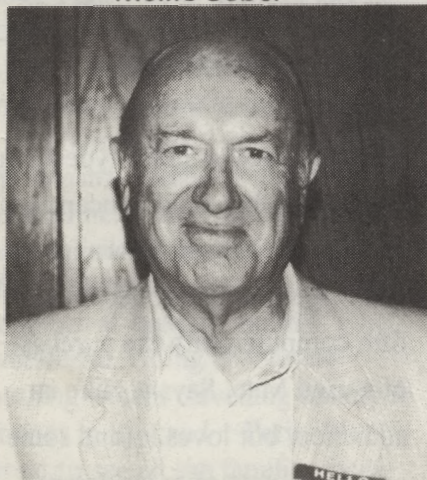
Helen & Ray DiPrima
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wintered in Fla. returned to be here for reunion. Their grand-daughter graduates Union College, son-in-law Lance Corey is the recipient of a Fulbright scholarship, and he'll spend part of the summer in China. The diPrima's daughter plan to meet in Hawaii for R & R. (Boy these kids have it made today, don't they? I spent my summers at Hugenot Beach in Staten Island. More power to them, enjoy it while they can!)



Mollie Sobel



Irv Sobel

Mollie + Irving Sobel still doing their winters in Hollywood, Fla. and summers in the Catskill Mountains. (Irv, Walter was tickled pink to see you, and couldn't wait to come to the reunion to see you all).



Maureen Potrato

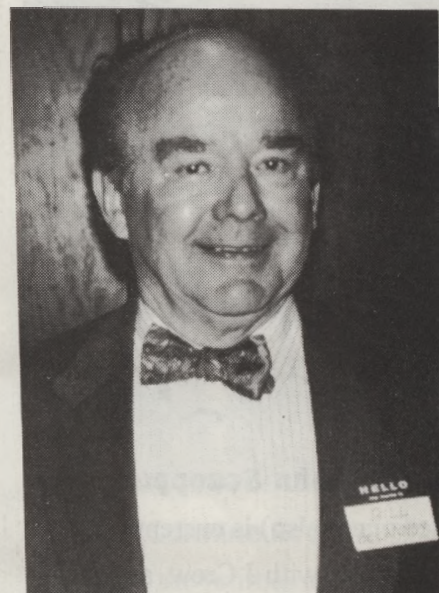
Quoting **Maureen Potrato** (ex nurse at NBC) : Hello again! Another year and another special afternoon with all my friends and co-workers at NBC. We're still a family despite G.E... Am still nursing and still miss you all. (It's tough to shake all the great memories that are deeply rooted in one's soul, right?)

Another great quote " Never has so much been said and so little eaten as this luncheon. I compliment P.N. for a very enjoyable gathering" **Jim Smart** (N4NBT)..



Howie Atlas

Grandfather **Howie Atlas** is just busy trying to play golf and enjoying his new grand-daughter. His ham callis NE2I.



Bill DeLannoy

Dorothea and Bill deLannoy are off to Portland Oregon and will travel by car for 2 weeks, thinking about Idaho and Montana. (Good thinking folks)

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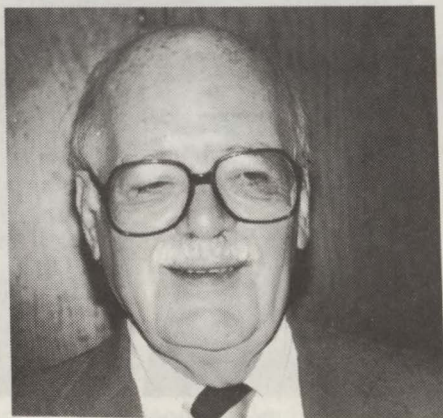
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Florence & Jim Sunder sent me a delightful video of their trip to Venice encountering delightful weather. I hope they enjoyed it as much as I did!

[Thank goodness you all have written so much on the yellow sheets Dan passed around. I didn't have a chance to talk to all of you at LaMag, but now the yellow pages are filling me in. Thanks for taking the time to write it down!]



Florence Sunder



JIM SUNDER



Charles Licameli

(Mgr. Broadcast Standards, WNBC-TV) Does volunteer work delivering Meals-On-Wheels and recording for the blind. Being retired, he has become quite a handyman and gardner. Also still dabbles in freelance writing.



Rose DeRenzis

-is keeping busy doing volunteer work at Whitney Museum and at the Mayor's Office during the Conference of Mayors in NYC in June.

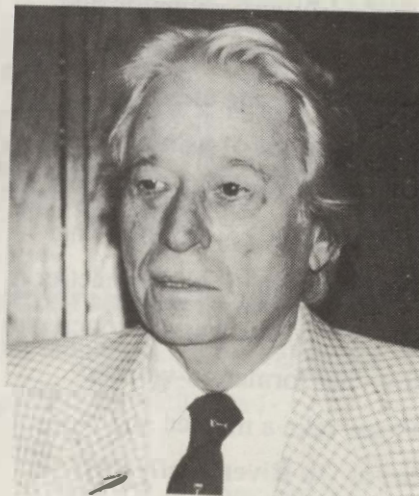


Audrey Marshall

Audrey and Jack Marshall

attenden a Chinese brunch in Feb. hosted by Dick Dudley for a group of former announcers, and Don Pardo and Mrs. P... Don still is in 8H on Sat Nite Live.. They all had a wonderful time. Audrey wrote an article for "Bird Talk" magazine about her six birds in four apartments. Also she participates in all anti-fur demonstrations with friends of animals.

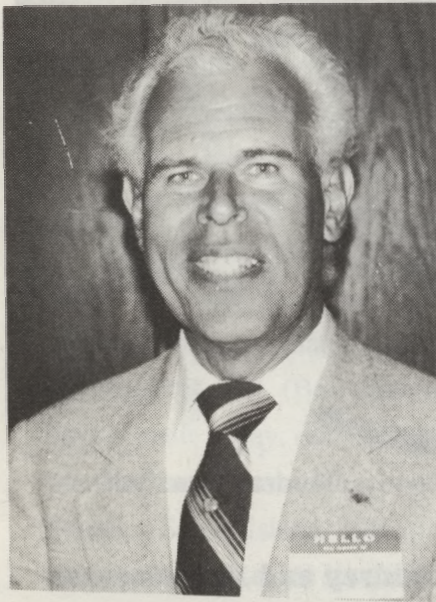
Sorry Mel Brandt., she says! ...



Jack Marshall

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Ralph Dichter

enjoys seeing all the familiar faces - and white heads. Doesn't look his 67 yrs, probably cause he plays tennis 7 days a week (except when it rains). Still enjoying the best of both worlds - spending six months in sunny Florida and six sunny months in South Shore of Long Island.

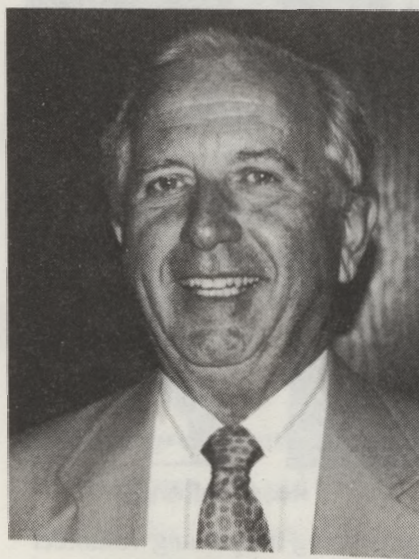
Louise Pappas writes a note to Pete describing the past three years of surgery, radiation and other treatments for cancer and a multitude of side effects; a distressing list of painful debilitating problems. She says she tremendously enjoys receiving letters and that P.N. Newsletter is her only way to keep in touch with from her former co-workers. Please take a moment and write her at: **70 Riverside Dr.#2H**
New York, N.Y. 10024-5715

A loud cheer should be given to **Members who travelled far** in order to attend the reunion



Jim Schaeffer

Jean & Jim Schaeffer came from Hinesburg, Vermont
Frank Merklein, all the way from Key West (was nice to see you after all these years, Frank.
Nancy & Ross Martindale from Yarmouth, Maine.



Frank Merklein,

June & Lee Carlton, from Boca Raton, Florida.

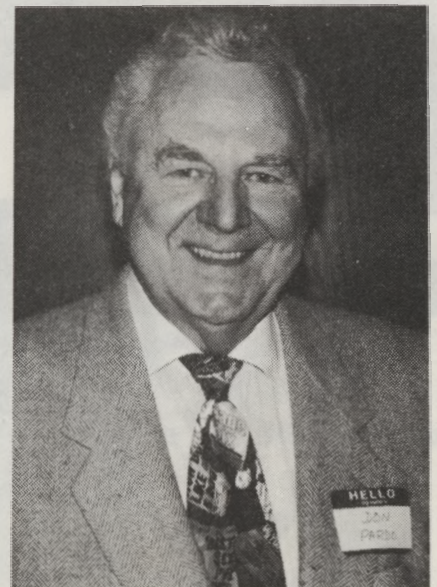
Jim Smart, who flew up in his own airplane from No Carolina.
Walter C. Miller, T.V. Director (who for many years was a T.D. in NYC. came from Hollywood to direct the TONY's.



Bill Shortridge

Bill Shortridge relates, it was good to see Jim & Winn Mullen as well as other good friends.

From the Announcer's table,



Don Pardo

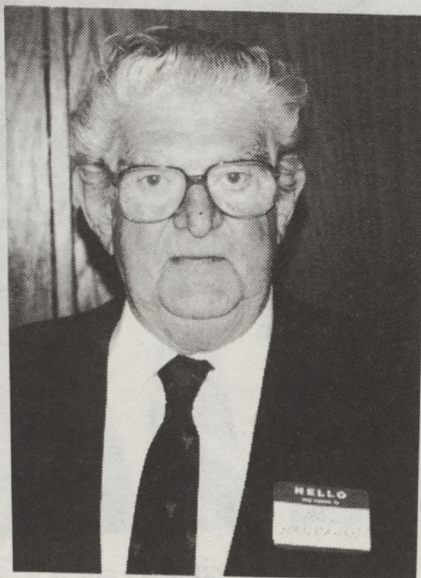
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writes (with a handwriting that I actually can read. Man, my penmanship is bad, but the toughest part of doing this coulmn is deciphering the handwriting! But DONT STOP, we need the info). Now back to Don...Would you believe! he says, with his hand cupped to the left ear, I'm finding time to do gardening, planting all kinds of stuff that I can't even pronounce! And would you believe, still having fun at 30 Rock. It's a new ballgame there -- But thanx to Peacock North, I can re-new [his spelling] old acquaintances and some memories etc. Ray & I now making plans for vacation trips far and near...-.-

Moving to the right of Pardo , is **Harry.Fleetwood.** [welcome to PN Harry... would you believe I used to stay up nights to listen to your musique?]" It's --great to greet the old gang as they grow older.. When you see how much younger you are than they are, it gives you a warm feeling. Where are the snows of yesteryear? - They're here, for those who still have hair, it's a wonderful world out there, but there wasa something special about the "**Kelly - Curran**" era which cannot be replaced and which

disappeared forever. Everyone seems nicer now. Gone the conflict, the pesky competition as we try to straighten ourselves out for the next great step. See you in Beauvallon (?), France "



Bill Hanrahan

the Connecticut Squire continues-- After hearing about Don Pardo's gardening and Fleetwood's memories of Hong Kong, I believe anything is not only possible, but do-able. The piano has been a love of mine for years and after eight years, I'm almost ready for "The Merry Farmer"... The best to all, from Roth and Bill.

This seems to be testimonial day. Here's another: These gigs (so hip) are wondereful because it bears testimony to what a wonderful group we are. Knowledgeable, tasteful, healthy, survivors all, gifted, each in our field and mostly fortunate - to be able to be here, healthy, active,participating (in various

degrees). Well just being here and still being able to enjoy and care about each other....

Gloria Clyne has a legitimate gripe. Sha asks, "Did you know that it now costs \$3. to get a lost NBC ID card replaced?? !! - And the photo on it is really lousey!!

Vic Roby proclaims: With no more 25 year-Club gathering and no more RCA Building, the Peacock North luncheon is the Number ONE event of the year !!



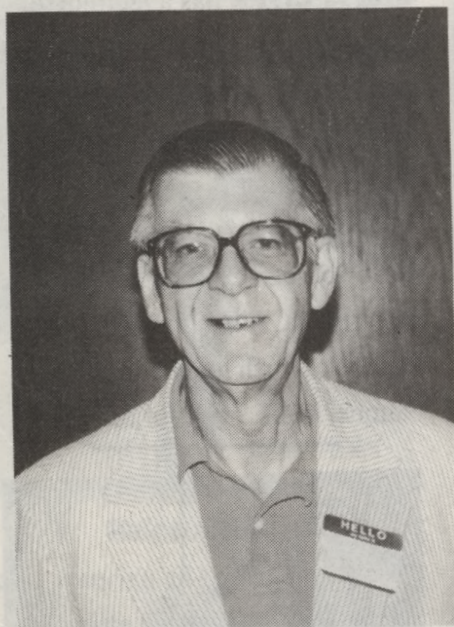
Lillian Russo

confesses: When I come to Peacock North gatherimgs - I get all choked up with nostalgia.. It's family time again --!!

Mel Brandt: It is nice to find that Don Pardo has developed a good sense of Humus !- - -

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MORE MEMBERS SEEN AT LAMAGANETTE



Roy Silver, supplier of information
for Dan Grabel

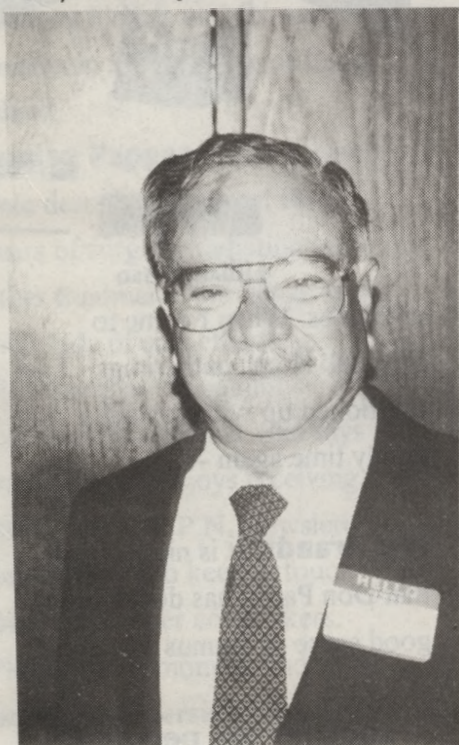


PEG PETERSON. SHE AND PETE
KEEP P.N. OPERATING



Dolores Parylak put material
on disk for this issue.

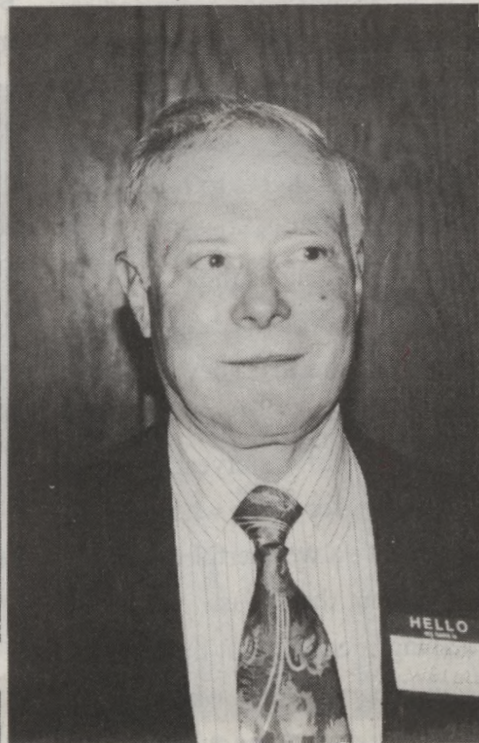
Tony Nelle, ex color video, and sailor
of yachts.helps us lwith typing



Nancy Nelle and hubby Tony .
Both help "disking" of items.



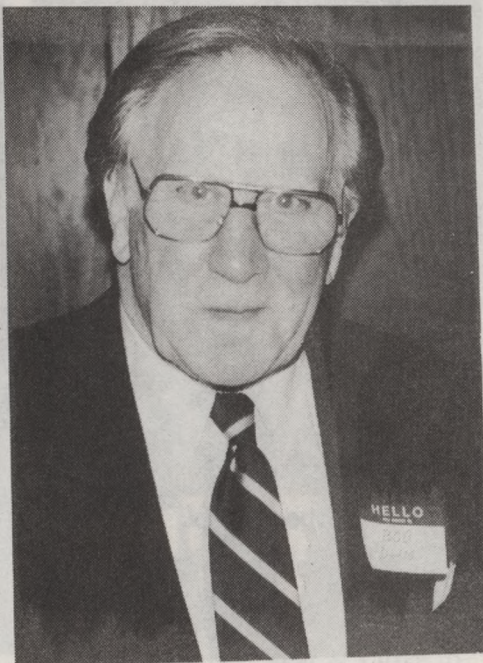
Frank Weill is GETTING 1ST TASTE
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Bob Davis - Lighting designer
OPERA SINGER. USED RWD CRTEDIT

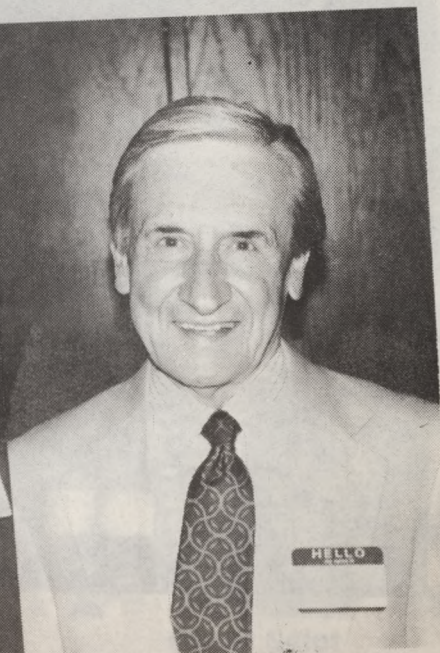
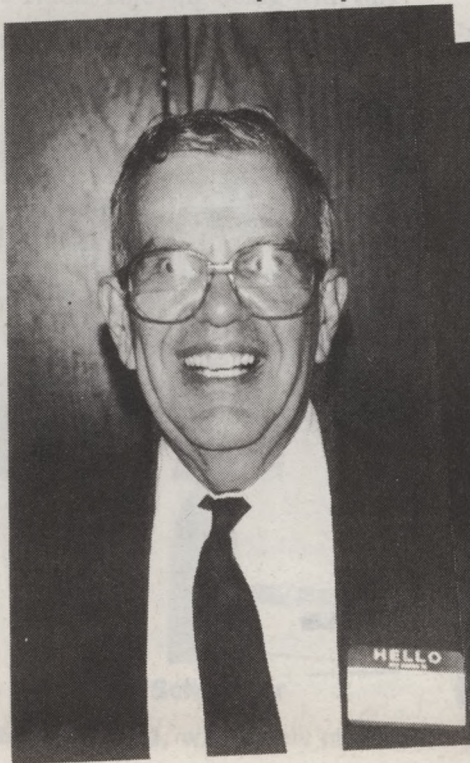


SUSAN DRURY, HAVE SEEN YOU IN
HALLS, BUT HAVE NEVER MET. Hi -

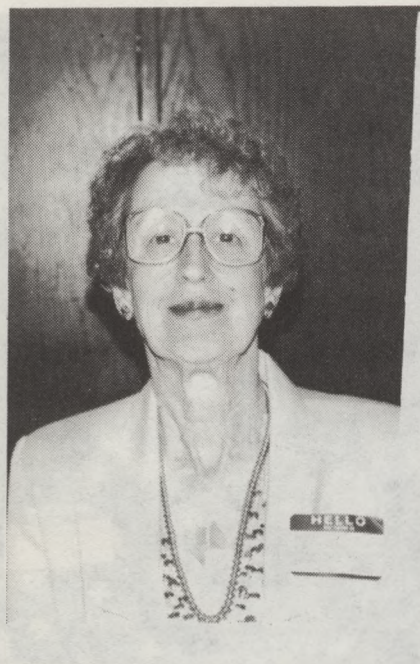
Ullrich (Rick to you all) from the
BRAIN ROOM of TV Eng. Design

Cathy Yokovich, spent time with
DORIS ANN giving us all religion

STAS PYKA, GRAPHIC ARTS FAME-
(AND YOU THOUGHT MY NAME WAS STRANGE)



MORE MEMBERS SEEN AT LAMAGANETTE



Lois Vierling , always available when P.N. needs help

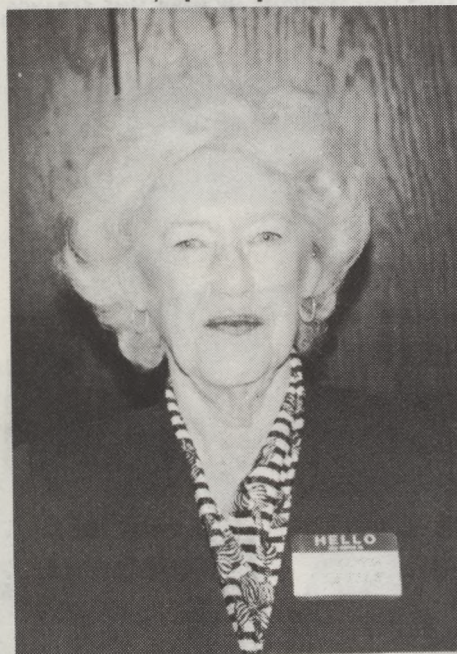


Carl Rohrer, enjoying La Mag
enjoying retirement



Joan Gifford Lovely as ever

Gloria Nettle, doesn't want to miss
any get-togethers

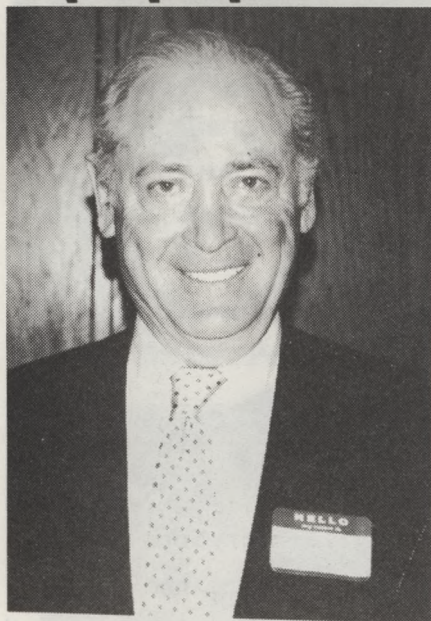


Reed Hilty. Started in the
early days of TV.



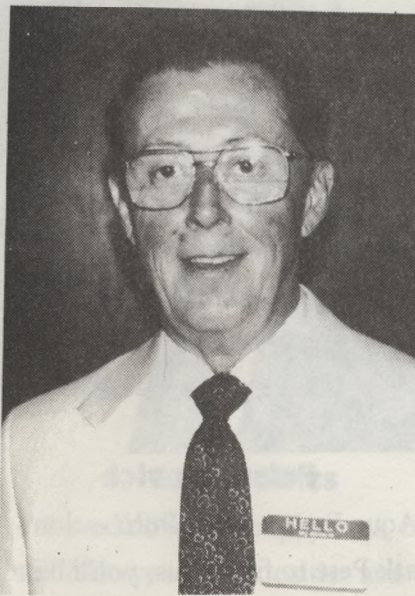
Francesca Peters, another volunteer
to P.N. greets you with your ID tags





Mel Brandt

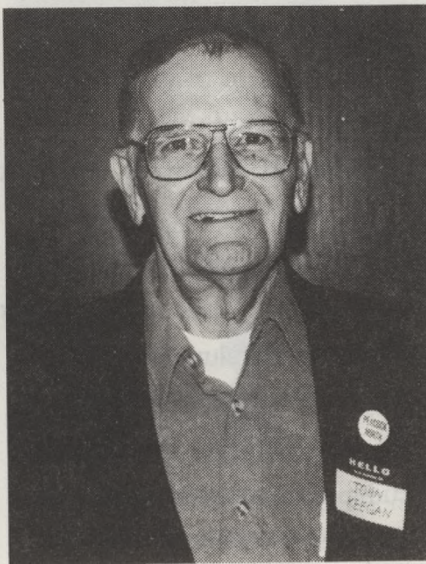
Was nice to see **Lorraine and Bill Schneider** (engineering) joining in the festivities: No matter what your function was at the big 30 Rock, enjoying being with this group is terrific.



Bill Schneider

Jack Keegan, who rarely misses these events says these events says

what we all feel - :Good to see all those comrades"



Jack Keegan

Herb Polak (broadcast Systems Engineering) hopes to bring **Mary** next year & I love to see all my friends from NBC..Best wishes to all.

Frank Schneider (Scenic design) is still working at NBC - a very depressing daily experience, which he believes should be changed. Turning to happier thoughts, Frank became a grandfather for the second time - a beautiful, charming girl - Laura Elizabeth. (**Mama Pam**, TD's the Donahue Show, papa **Tab Butler**, also at NBC, but I don't know his category, but all those young fellows run the joint now!. Frank enjoys every day - after work with his lovely wife Marcia, and is looking forward to spending more time with her.

Ariane Mautner enjoyed being at La Mag., not having to worry about all the party arrangements

like her super bashes at the Plaza. At her table, Walt Miller kept everyone laughing.



ARIANNE MAUTNER

Jim Schaeffer, attending his second gathering and is just as pleased as ever to see so many old friends. Someone said - You came all the way from Vermont ?? Jim says, I'd come further to be with this great old NBC Group! (easy on the "old" emphasis)



Ginny Seipt

is still hanging in the work world - Freelancing as an Associate --

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Director for ABC (OOPS!) News - on Prime Time ____?__ (sorry Ginny, can't make it out) and Day One (if it survives)..Great to see everyone!

Frank Weill worked at NBC 43 years, retired last April, and now is trying to get used to his life. He already has started to conjure up quite a few plans. Hang in there Frank, you'll get to like it!

Marge McGlynn enjoying La Mag, also enjoyed the Florida get together in Orlando despite the weather, but seeing old friends was great, even if they couldn't enjoy the pool.

[It's time to take five here, the computer is getting too warm - am going downstairs for a juicy mango, direct from Hawaii. Why am I not in Hawaii ???



Jerry Cudlipp

Jerry Cudlipp, one of the early Camera #1 operators in the **Biz**, spent most of his stay at LaMag shooting photos of you all. Many of these pix appear in our centerfold or close to it. Jerry also is still taking on more projects than he can handle (sez he), but always trying. Their son works for Delta out of Columbus, and daughter Holly lives in Lake Tahoe and loves it. Last fall the Cudlippo's travelled to France & Italy with **Madelene and Joe Gilligan**, renting their own houseboat and ran a couple of the canals for a week. Their Swiss friends (**Hans & Florence Schmid**) joined them for the trip. (Florence is ex Tech Ops nee **Flo Herrich**). She occasionally attends the NBCFR reunion since her husband works for Swiss Air. (Nice to have perks) No near term travel plans for the Cudlippo's.. Probably next year..It's good to see that they have taken retirement in good stride! **Frank Weill**, take lessons from Jerry!!

MIDWEST NEWS:

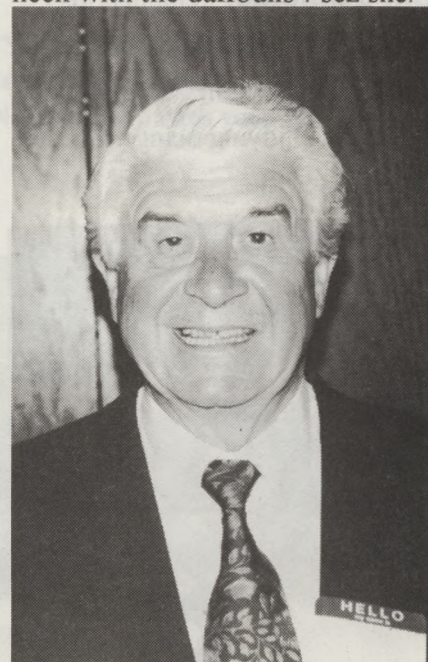
Bob Mulholland, one time NBC Pres is retiring again. This time from teaching at Northwestern Univ. The midwest coffe klatch included **Mulholland, Floyd Kalber, Ed Planer? and Russ Tornabene**.

Rita Stipo, a faithful bash attendee notes that the month of



RITA Stipo

May is gardening time, but she happily gave it up to be among all the wonderful Peacock North family! See you next year, the heck with the daffodils ! sez she.



Peter Fatovich,

Aqua Fresca, Vino Puro -- don't ask Pete to finish this, you'll be embarassed... Anyway he wrote a poem --

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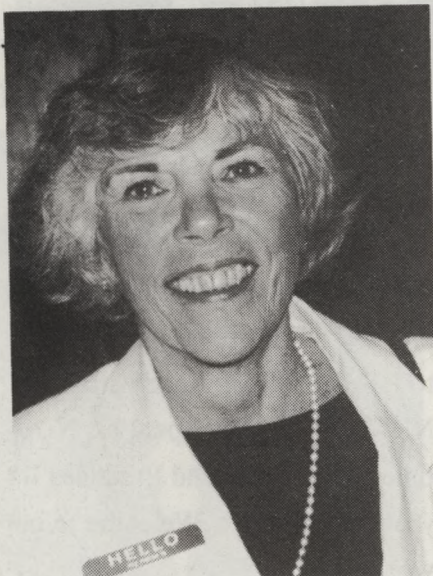
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(Poem) Nice People, Nice Lunch
What more can you want?

I'm doing Letterman for a while
Great to be here.

(Oh well, it rhymes in Italian I
guess)..

So Pete, you are moving to CBS
too !!! The best Pete.

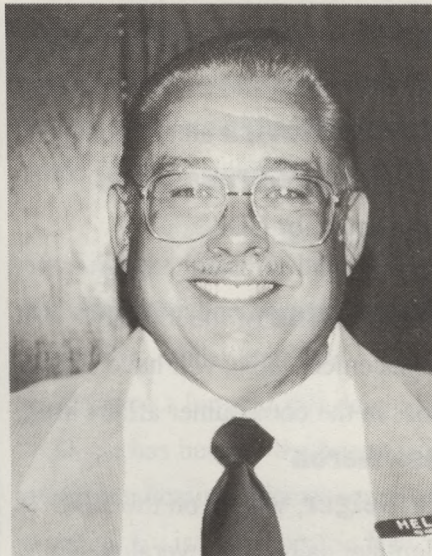


MARY LOU FATOVICH

Hal Gurney called Pete Peterson to let us know that he has been working at CBS getting the studio ready for their end of August premiere of the Letterman Show. We all wish you-all for a loooooong and successful show.

Randy Stiles

- slowed down by emphysema, but still follows own curiosities and there's plenty to learn about and see...



GENE GARNES

**-Jane & Gene Garnes
announce
the completion of 2 new
Travel Videos**

- 1. Big Band Cruise on
the ss Norway: 50 mins**
- 2. A Tour Thru Western
U.S. : 3hrs, 20 mins.**

**All Welcome for a
Viewing. Bring your
own pillow !**



JANE GARNES (MRS. G)

Ed Newman writes to apologize missing the bash due to an engagement in Atlanta. Sends sincere regards to all !

Bill Reardin used to live on a boat for five years, as did **Lew Wood and Jack Paxton**. Bill decided to to higher ground but still on the River - Riverside Drive that is...After leaving NBC in 1979, he worked for Time Life Films, WNET, The Dick Cavett Show, ABC, and back to NBC for a couple of Jack Paar specials, with, **Hal Gurnee**. Currently **Bill** is Exec In Charge of Production for JoanRivers Show and Gossip! Gossip !, Gossip! on USA Cable Net.

Carol & Steve Paganuzzi missed the La Mag reunion because they were out to visit thier oldest daughter in Wyoming, with side trips to Seattle, Yellowstone, Rushmore and then to Denver for more relative schmoozing.

Steve started thinking about the reminiscing written in PN, and here are a few incidents from his early days in 106th Street.

Ed Wilbur (field supr in 40s.) and the navel on the pussycat telop... **John Lough** and the pole transformer... **Arnie Proner** and the wowev middle chime, Lionel Rico and his on-air breakup... 11F Annx w/ Peter Roberts & Tex--

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p.n. people -14

Tex Antoine, the Studio A telephone tap...**Andy Switzer** and the Sunday Mrning

Sermons...**Andy Switzer** and the Uptown TVC peanut roasts, **Tiny Carson** "woofing" pulse setups to **John Peterson** and **Steve Paganuzzi** in time for the Uptown sign-on... being **shot** on the midnight tour... **Ted Chisholm** and routine maintenance... **Bill Klages** and the Klageatron...

NABET and the floor cue light... the non inventoried film chain... 11F and the Knickerbocker Playhouse... Garroway... Cameo Theater, Camel News Caravan... Armstrong Circle Theater... Henry Aldrich...Mr. Om... Down in The Valley (Kurt Weil in person)...Ivan Sanderson and the Elephants... --- etc.. etc...--- **Bet Harry**

Musselman or John Lough or Andy Anderson . Ed

Hoffmeister could not only embellish these, but add lots more! (To those who don't have the slightest clue what all that means - It boils down to - You had to be there to understand)

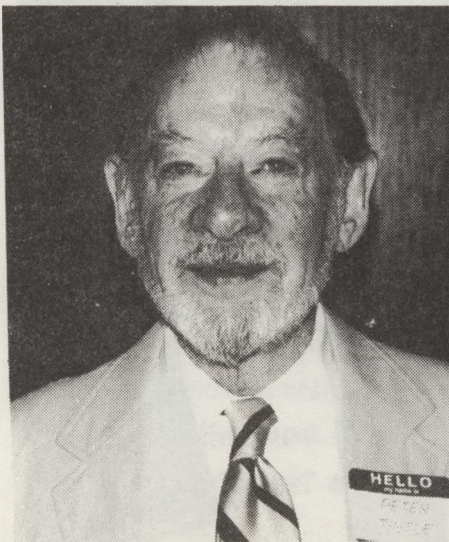
Enid Roth sends us more recent news. **Howard Reig** celebrated his Fiftieth year at NBC.... **Judy Girard**, VP Dir of Broadcasting left NBC , went to "Lifetime" in a high exec position.... My friends **Jerry Foley**, a very bright T.D. ,

Biff Henderson, stage manager par excellence and the ever popular **Pietro Fatovich** all are going to be with **Hal Gurnee** doing Letterman for CBS....

Gloria Cline of the 3\$. ID replacement fame, will have a new boss in the comnsumer affairs area, **Asa Aaron Ev Geiger**, who is on the NBC Ham net daily, fell several weeks ago breaking some ribs, the collar bone and puncturing a lung.. Give him a call...

Frank DeRienzo has a new grandson named Alexander. Frank still sits in to wherever he can to play his trumpet

Audrey Marshall asks : do both members of a family have to pay dues for PN.? According to **Pete Peterson**. No, (unless giving gratuities is your forte)... Jack's takes care of yours.



Peter Tintle

brought a friend to LaMag bash, **Jos. Phillips**, formerly NBC,

CBS, Daily Nooos What a nice thought.. Next time **YOU** bring a friend!



---Friend Joe Phillips---

Charles Licameli became a new member and couldn't wait to rush to LaMag to schmooze with his NBC friends. Chas spent his NBC time is Standards and Practices, 18 years as Manager. Welcome to our world...

Peg McKinley sent Pete a note thanking for including her in the La Mag program. We're delighted you could come.

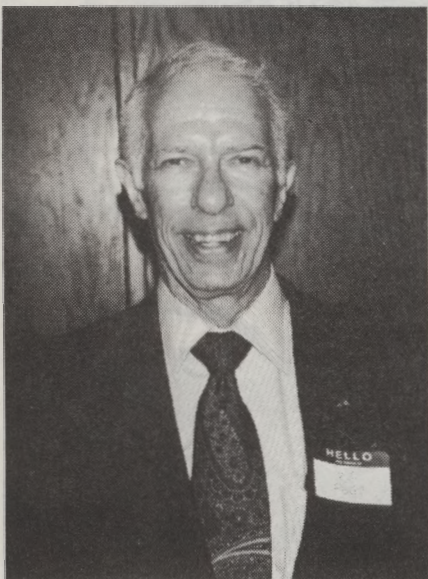


PEG McKinley

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Irene & Arnie Proner

have sold their house up North and Arnie I guess you can cement your antenna tower in for good in Hendersonville, North Carolina. **Gene Martin** just returned from Florida after selling his condo in the same complex as Bob Van Ry and Eunice & Tom Smiley. Now he can commute only to Deerfield Beach.



Vic Roby

had a letter discussion with Nat'l Taxpayers Union. What I got out of the letter : Seems they feel that Social Security should work like insurance companies do - that is once they have paid back what you have put in, you aren't entitled to any more !!! Some logic. Hope the government isn't full of those "thinkers".....

Dee Proctor, Ed Proctor's Mrs., writes Pete from central Virginia, saying she would like to hear from some of Ed's co-workers

On Amateur radio we hear that **Ev Geiger** fell at home, breaking some ribs, collar bone and puncturing a lung. At this date 7/23, he has been in the hospital under medication. Usually each morning Ev is found on the NBC amateur net at 9:45 en punto. We wish you a speedy recovery Ev.

Gladys & Joe Kolb are off to a visit with **Arnie & Irene Proner** in Hendersonville, North Carolina, then this fall Gladys & Joe expect to see a bit of Europe.

I want to thank :

Dolores Parylak.

Betsey Temple.

Rita Stipo.

Nancy & Tony Nelle.

for typing and putting to disk, some of the articles you read here. It helped preserve my sanity and sure made the putting the newsletter together much faster! Thanks ladies !

ALSO **Jerry Cudlipp** for the photos used herein. He spent his entire La Mag session photographing instead of schmoozing.

Also **Gene Martin** for the Spring Golf Festival photos.

Also the giant P.N. staff for their usual sterling contributions.

*All you Amateur
Radio guys and
gals !*

**Tune is to 20
meters, at 14.223
MHZ on your dials**

**every weekday
morning at 9:45
am till 10:30 am
and listen to your
old co-workers
from all over the
Country , keeping
in touch.**

Remember !
**If you are 80 or
above, You get
P.N./ for Free!**

N. B.C. GOLF CLASSIC REPORT..6/1/93

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by GENE MARTIN

The annual Golf Outing that was scheduled to be at the **SPOOK ROCK COUNTRY CLUB** in Suffern, N.Y., was transferred to The **EMERSON COUNTRY CLUB**.

There was not as many retirees this year as in the past, but the event was certainly a great success with as much as 140 "pro's" attending. It was a great mixed group of NBC'S finest and it was a pleasure to be there.....

Among the prize winners were PN 's Mahlon Fox, Johnny Olezowski, Frank Gaeta, Phil Hymes and Ernie DeRosa.

The 3 Musketeers should be complimented for the time and effort that went into this demanding event.. so, many thanks to;

BOBBY BROWN..
STEVE SKORUPKA..and
JOHN THOMAS...

Keep those Golf Balls coming guys, and hope we can all make it again next year..
Congratulations, & good luck to 1994....



Top:
MAHLON FOX, IRVING MESSING, Phil HYMES

CENTER: **BOB MACNAMARA, JOHN BELZELL**

BOTT :
VIC KIMM, JOE MERGNER, JOHNNY OLEZEWSKI,
RUDY FOGLIA

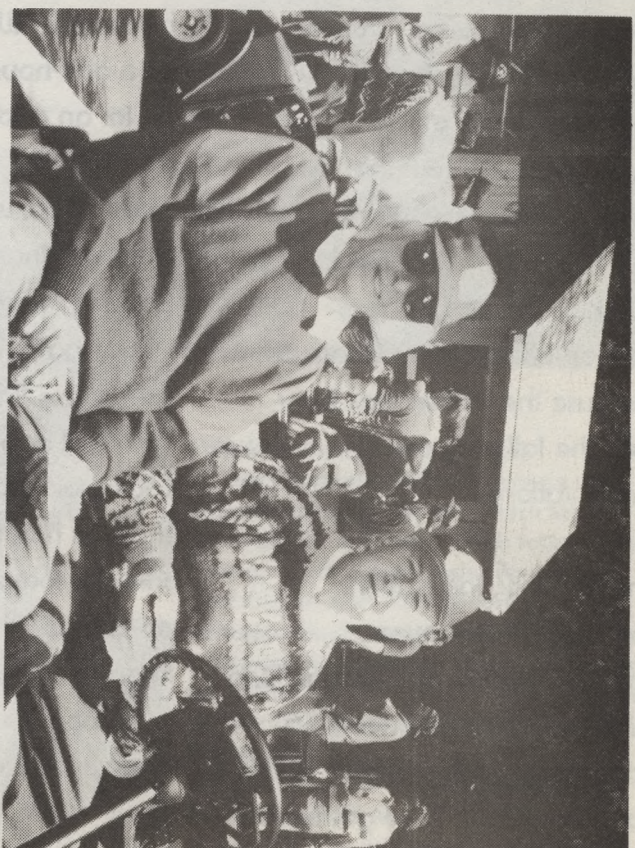
Looks AS if THESE GUYS HAVE FOUND OUT
HOW TO BE RETIRED



Bobby Brown and John Thomas - AN EIGHT-SOME?



Frank Weill Holding court with the new generation



Phil Hymes and Ernie DeRosa



Get your magnifying glass out to identify this group - But it is nice scenery though!

LADIES DAY AT NBC

by DAN GRABEL

America marked its first observance of "Take Our Daughters to Work Day" on April 28. NBC was one of the corporations that welcomed the youngsters, aged 9 to 15, to observe the work their parents do in the broadcasting business.

The occasion, which will be an annual event, was organized by the Ms Foundation (the women's interest magazine), to increase self-esteem in young ladies by introducing them to the work place and encouraging them to think about their own future careers. NBC played host in New York, Chicago, Miami, Washington and Denver. Burbank did not participate because the station was busy with the fall program presentations.

In New York, Jodi Cohen, manager of Employee Communications, ran the day-long program which attracted 175 youngsters, each of whom had a sponsor at NBC. They gathered in the Donohue studio for two questions-and-answer sessions.

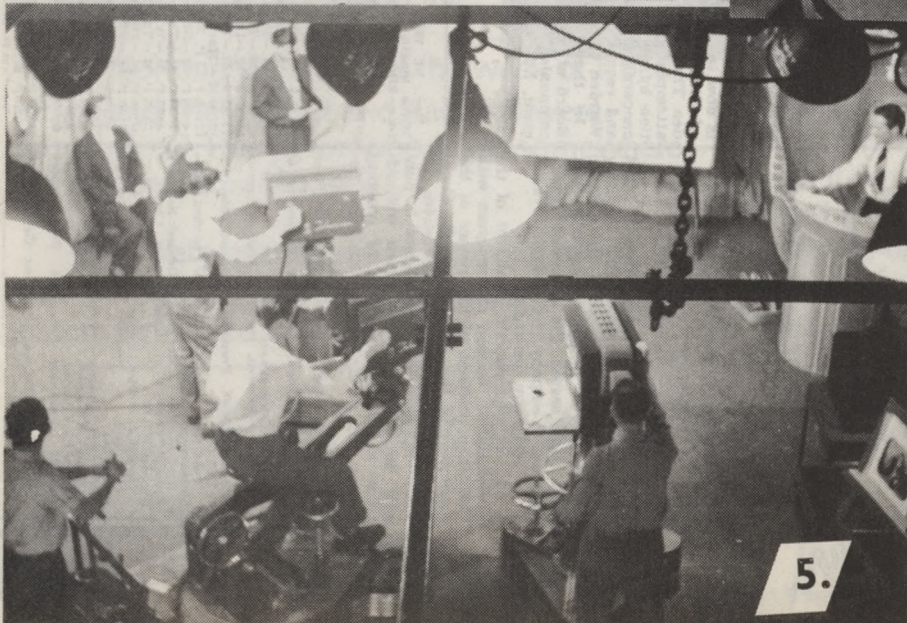
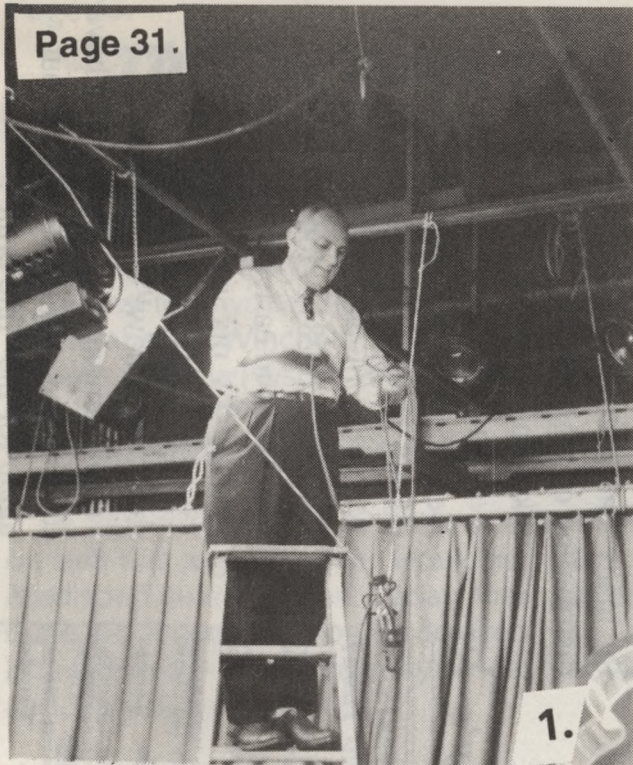
The first was hosted by Jane Pauley, the second by Katie Couric. Next it was on the Saturday Night Live studio for lunch with their sponsors. In the afternoon it was a career panel discussion with women who work behind the scenes in corporate jobs, production jobs, and the law department, featuring assistant news director from WNBC; Paula Walker, producer from the Today Show; Allison Davis, Judy Smith, new senior VP of Corporate Communications; Marilyn Altman, a TD; Kim Grabowski, coordinator from Corporate Communications; and Pat Laner, VP of Employment Law. Judi Cohen acted as moderator. What was planned as a one-hour session continued on for an additional hour, said Jodi, because the kids were obviously so well-prepared with questions that they kept the panelists busy. The most interesting question the kids asked was "Did anyone ever tell you can't handle the job?" Katie Couric, said when she was at CNN, she was harassed because some said she looked too young to be on the air. Altman, who worked in an all-male engineering atmosphere, said at first it was daunting because "no one was in her corner," but she overcame it. They also asked the panelists about their own role models.

Finally, the girls were divided

into groups and went on tours of the facility. In the end they were all given a company "goodie bag" that included the company newsletter, articles on women in the work force and some NBC souvenirs.

Around the nation, mothers and dads who work as motormen on railroad trains, accountants in banks, and engineers in broadcast ops brought the pre-teens and teens to the work place. It was well-promoted in Manhattan, and in one school, all but a handful of girls were out of class. There were inquiring young girls at the White House (excluding 13 year old Chelsea Clinton, who said she was well aware of what her parents did on the job), and in the halls of Congress. At Liko, the Long Island utility, 700 daughters showed up. Elsewhere in the nation, it appears, it may take a little more publicity to make the public aware of the occasion.

Some child care experts asked why boys had to be excluded. They said, boys could benefit from the excursion as well as girls, and that the event should be called "Take Your Child to Work Day". They overlooked the fact that the Ms. Foundation promotes women's rights, not men's.



(106th St. Photos by Don Pike)

1. "Doc" Dickson (audio) hanging a mike at Studio 2A in studio 2A, 106th Street
2. "CHEERS" cast, Aug. 1983: foto fm Jim Mullen, top R., Admin. Sales Promotion; Bott Center, Carl Killingsworth, writer/producer, on air promotion.
3. Announcer attendees that made it thru the winter storm, to Dinner called together by Dick Dudley, at "Restaurant Chiam". Dudley foto
4. Cameraman John B Rogers doing Test Pattern at 106th St.
5. Looking thru lighting grid in 2A during reh. for "Ivan Sanderson's" show: Lft. camera, John Rogers, Dolly Paul Frank, Dolly-Camers Jerry Cudlipp, R. camera, Dan Zampino.

The New York Times.

RADIO

NEW WEAF OFFERS A GALA PROGRAM

Notables at Waldorf See Plan
Designed to Better Radio
Programs Inaugurated.

MARY GARDEN ON THE AIR

Her songs From Chicago Broadcast
—Advisory Committee Comprises
Leaders in Public Life

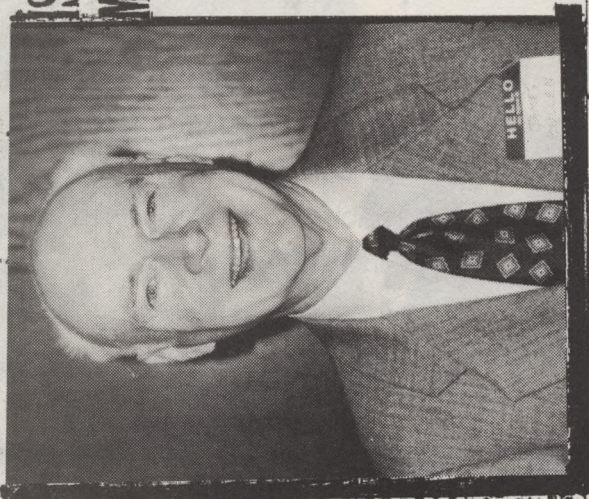
A gala radio program last night from 8 o'clock to midnight, featuring Mary Garden, soprano of the Chicago Civic Opera Company, and Will Rogers, inaugurated the National Broadcasting Company, of which WEAF and WJZ form the nucleus.

M. H. Aylesworth, President of the organization, opened the program with an announcement of the names of the members of the Advisory Radio Council, made up of representatives of various professions and phases in public life. This council, which will advise as to the best type of program from the public's point of view, includes:

Waldorf Astor, conductor New York Symphony Orchestra, President University of Virginia.
A. E. Alderman, President University of Virginia.
John W. Davis, lawyer.
Francis D. Farrell, President Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station.
William Green, President American Federation of Labor.
Major Gen. James G. Harbord, President Radio Corporation of America.
Rev. Charles F. McPherson, General Secretary National Council of Churches of Christ in America.
Morgan J. O'Brien, lawyer.
Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, President Carnegie Foundation.
Robinson, President First National Bank of Los Angeles.
Elihu Root, lawyer.
Julius Rosenwald, President Sears-Roebuck Company.
Mrs. Mary Sherman, President General Federation of Women's Clubs.

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Nov. 16, 1926. Eastern Standard Time.
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NEW YORK.

492-WEAF-410.

6:45-7:45 A. M.—Setting-up exercises.
7:45-8:30 A. M.—Prayer service.
11:00 A. M.—Lillian Endress, soprano.
11:15 A. M.—Talk.
11:30 A. M.—Lillian Endress, soprano.
11:45 A. M.—Talk, A. E. Falls.
12:00 M.—Market and weather reports.
12:15-1:15 P. M.—Greenwich Orchestra.
4:30 P. M.—Talking it.
4:45 P. M.—Women's League Talk.
5:15 P. M.—Tea music.
5:40 P. M.—Former music.
7:40 P. M.—Frederic Johnson, contralto.
7:50 P. M.—Prayer service, Prof. P. Mohl.
8:30 P. M.—History talk.
8:40 P. M.—Symphony Orchestra.
9:00 P. M.—Male quartet.
9:10 P. M.—Operatic ensemble; Ignaz Fried-
man, violin; violin bridge game.
10:30 P. M.—Carmen Lopez Orchestra.
11:00-11:45 P. M.—Foster's Hofman Orchest-

IS CENSURED MBS REPORT.

WITNESS SWEAT AT CEILING MD

4-----Jim Mullen sent us a copy of the New York Times dating back to November 16, 1926, with a review of a Gala program on WEAF inaugurating The National Broadcasting Company. Jim notes that Will Rogers was one of the performers, and one of the many feats that took place included a "distribution of a photo of soloist Mary Gordon, taken in Chicago and transmitted over phone lines and received in New York 13 minutes after it was taken" ... From this premiere of WEAF, evolved the TV call letters W2XBS (1928) to today's WNBC. (I recall also in early tv, when we were sending TV pix via "slo-scan" from Europe via phone lines. "Quel difference" now! For those visually impaired, sorry but you have to get those magnifying glasses out again for the "fine print".

OUTSTANDING EVENTS ON THE RADIO TODAY

8:00 P. M.—Program of nursery music; children's chorus, string ensemble—WRNY.
8:00 P. M.—Symphony orchestra; Grieg program—WEAF and thirteen stations.
8:30 P. M.—Newtown High School Symphony Orchestra and Chorus—WGBS.
9:00 P. M.—Orchestra, soloists—WJZ.
9:00 P. M.—Operatic ensemble; Ignaz Friedman, piano—WEAF and fourteen stations.
10:00 P. M.—Band concert—WBAL.
10:30 P. M.—Play. "Thursday Night"—WRNY.

The Ear Holders

by Dick Dudley

Pete Peterson, the catalyst of PN asked me to contribute a column on Announcers to our house organ; initially I wondered if it could be of interest to anyone except announcers. Then, I remembered, Winchell, Sullivan, Hedda Hopper, Louella Parsons and those tabloids at the checkout counter in Super Markets. Everyone enjoys gossip, I guess, so here goes.

Years ago, we had so many announcers on staff that a get together would require Madison Square Garden. Today, there are only three old timers left "Don Pardo, Fred Facey and Howard Reig - plus some day-to-day people and, oh yes, a computer.

Last. Valentine's Day, I managed to assemble a pride of announcers with their lionesses at the "Chiam" Restaurant on 48th Street for a Sunday Dim Sum Brunch. (You might think that we should be having bagels and lox at a restaurant named Chiam, but the name, in this case stands for "Chinese-American"

Among those present were: (In alphabetical Order) : The Garys, The Tuttlles, The Hanrahans, the Pardos, The Marshalls and a couple of Stag , Roby and me.

Unfortunately, this was the week of a bad storm and Mel Brandt and Rad Hall were snowbound. Harry Fleetwood was somewhere in Paris or Outer Mongolia.

We were ensconced in a private room that echoed the sounds of our well developed diaphragms. The various Chinese tidbits set

before us in unending variety were delicious and succulent, and the memories that flowed were as various as the Dim Sum.

Like the couple who said:" This year we took a trip around the world - next year we'll go some where else".

Fred and Merle Facey are proudly gloating over the graduation of their daughter and son. I wrote and told them that if the daughter took after her mother, she would be beautiful and if their son took after their father, he would wind up selling "Preparation H". - (Fred does not make housecalls).

When an announcer says:" I made a bit of bread today, he or she is generally referring to scale or better, with the possibility of residuals. Now that Mel Brandt has retired to his Sky Top, Pa. lodge, not only has he been lucky enough to have and to hold a lovely lady named Janette, but he and Jan have become ardent bakers, turning out their own loaves, crusty and fragrant.

However - I am sure if a call comes from an agency or a sponsor, Mel will rush into town - to make some bread.

There is sad news I have not covered in this column. You will find my unhappy remarks elsewhere about the "Silver Fox".

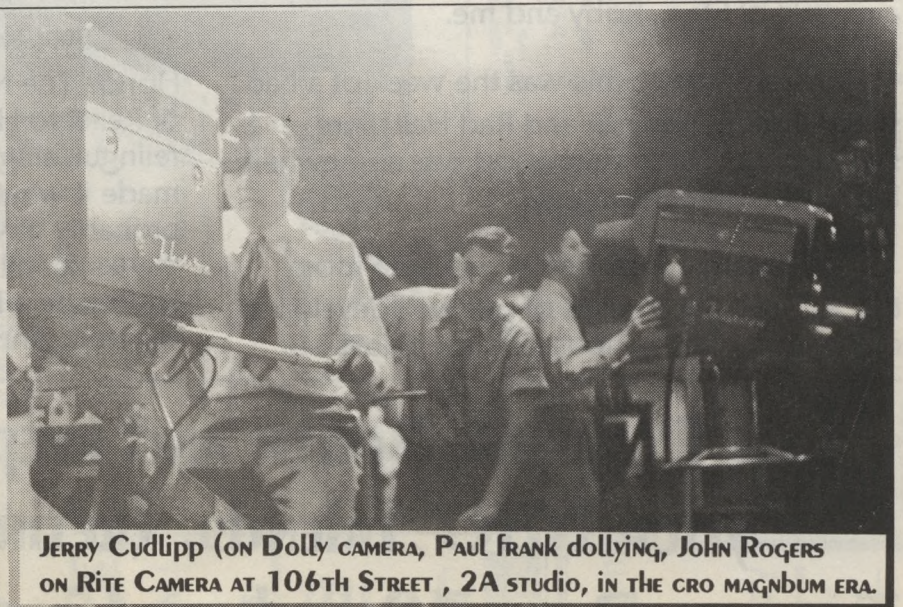
Lastly, I want to bestow the Medal of Honor, The Nobel Prize and a family size box of Relief to Heino Ripp who, unfortunately is relinquishing his duties to this paper. He has made it what it is, with undying devotion and probably "Sweat and Tears. Thanks Rippy, and thanks for all the times you turned those dials and made a bunch of us sound and look like Network Announcers.

**JOIN PEACOCK NORTH AND KEEP IN TOUCH WITH
YOUR NBC FRIENDS, (RETIRED AND NOT)
TURN TO PAGE 39 AND SEND IN YOUR APPLICATION.**

DICK DUDLEY'S STAMP TRIVIA - ANSWERS

Stamp Number

1. This Maestro was a house musician, who once when angry broke his baton and yelled, "Testa di Asino" - at the symphony men: "someday I am going to open a brothel, and none of you can get in"!
2. A special studio (8F) was built for her on the 8th floor.
3. He introduced NBC's TV at the 1939 Worlds Fair .
4. Remember Saturday Night at The Movies
5. & 6. These two rivals made NBC TV possible , but without sadness
7. She was a hit as "Baby Snooks".
8. He played a bad fiddle every Sunday night at 7 until CBS stole him the way they did Letterman -
--- with money.
9. Bergen & McCarthy performed with W.C.Fields, who is also on a stamp. Charlie was Murphy Brown's brother/
10. His wonderful series brought exciting color programs to NBC-TV.
11. I covered his appearance at the U.N. when he explained the Marshall Plan for Europe.
12. Arias rang out from the NBC speaker every Saturday, with foot notes by Milton Cross, till the Blue network bacame ABC, taking Milton with it.
13. Nearly every country in the world issued stamps celebrating the **NBC** sponsored Olympics of '92



JERRY Cudlipp (on Dolly camera, Paul Frank dollying, John Rogers on Rite camera at 106th Street, 2A studio, in the Cro Magnum era.

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A bit of Interesting Non-Toxic Approach to Cancer Treatment

Many older men have had or will get prostate problems. Many times, such patients develop cancer. In the early stages of these problems, why not try this Doctors regimen to prevent or cure such ills???

A lady doctor gave up her Hospital position in Germany to form her own clinic for **terminal** cancer patients.

After extensive research, she determined that cancer patients are deficient in an important fatty acids, linoleic acid. Also missing was phosphatides (required for

normal cell division) and albumin, a blood producing lipoprotein..

To restore one to health, you must have a diet high in essential fatty acids and sulphur based proteins.

Without linoleic acid, the body can't produce hemoglobin. Without hemoglobin, the blood is unable to carry oxygen to the cells, so they suffocate.

In her regimen, She uses half cup of lo-fat cottage cheese, blender'd with a tablespoon of cold pressed Flaxseed oil (not procesed) and freshly made juices of carrot or celery , plus apple juice, as the main treatment. This has produced a high recovery rate.

Also three times daily patients get a warm drink - Herbal teas (peppermint or rose hips, slightly sweetened with honey, unless one is a diabetic).

The cottage cheese contains all the elements she found lmissing in her patients. [As a prevention, I do this every morning, have lost some weight, and have a thoroughly cleaned out digestive system.], .

This is very brief. If you're interested further, call me or write and I can give you more info.

Find out about "Growth Hormones" . These start to diminish in your twenties and by the time one retires, there's hardly any left to maintain good health.and should be replaced... The body can do it, if given the right pre-cursor materials H..

A Bit More 30 rock

by Dan Gabel

I. Herbert Gordon is promoting his book, "Canoeing Made Easy." The former NBC radio producer-writer has long had a side business of guiding canoeists on trips. And they ran from very tame to very demanding. We went on one of the tame rides down the Delaware River from around Calicoon to Port Jervis. But Herb regularly takjes small groups (about six or eight) on trips to remote areas of Canada, I believe into Hudson Bay area. They fly into some fishing station a couple hundred miles from nowhere, get boats and be gone out of touch for a week. Thaty's roughing it! No radios, no refrigerators, just prayer books, and beef jerky! And they seem to find their way back to civilization. I'll take a pass on that one, Herb..

Jack Freeman, a newswriter on Nightly News, who has been taking six and six for a few years (working six months, off six months while retaining his job rights) has run into some exotic assignments while working for an environmental magazine. Jack worked on one story in Costa Rica, and recently spent a month in Vienna attending the UN's Human Rights conference. While in Vienna, he saw writer Peter Ochs who has lonmg had a penchant for life in Europe and now lives in the Austrian capital. Ochs once had a longing for a career in the theater, but Jack could not bring us up to date on that facet of Peter's career.

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**HAVE AN NBC
ACQUAINTANCE JOIN
PEACOCK NORTH**

Ken's KORNER

THE PHIL SILVER'S TV SHOW 1949

by Ken Arber

The Phil Silver's show originated from the Radio Studio 3-B, which was converted into a TV studio once a week. I was not in TV Operations until the latter part of 1949, but was doing a Radio Show in the adjacent Studio 3-D. This was the Jack Birch show sponsored by Prudential Life, which featured Jack as the vocalist, with three great instrumentalists, Tony Matolla on guitar, George Wright on Organ, and Charlie Manganii on accordion.

Since the Phil Silver's show as being done in the studio next door, I made it my business to visit it when they were rehearsing, since I was going to be transferred to TV operations, at my request, after the vacations of the Studio Engineers in radio were completed. I felt I would get on insight of the TV operations, as opposed to Radio.

Every week the setting up of the Phil Silver's show as just like doing a field show or remote, in that all the equipment such as cameras, lighting and audio was installed for the show, and then knocked down, dismantled, and removed when the show was over. Cameras, monitors mike stands, and boom as well as camera and video cables all returned to Studio 3-H. Brackets to hold the cables were installed on the wall in the corridor so that the cables could be raised over the air lock doors of

the working Radio Studios 3-F

and 3D. It was necessary that these doors be unobstructed, so equipment, such as turntables and sound effect equipment could be moved in and out.

The cameras and video were controlled from the fourth floor control room of 3-H, and the audio was controlled from the Studio 3-B radio audio booth. If my memory serves right, I believe the Audio Engineer for this show was Mahlon "Foxy" Fox. The stage was a low stage composed of several low risers, or platforms, as it was not necessary to have a high stage since the entire audience would be seated on the typical aluminum folding chairs. The lighting consisted of approximately four high poles with lights affixed to them, to light the stage area.

The talent besides Phil Silver's consisted of second and third bananas, namely Jack Guilfoyle, and Joe Faye, as well as a tall voluptuous young lady named "Temple Texas", reminiscent of "Dagmar" of the Jerry Lester' Open House. Both of these ladies were at least six feet tall. I do not recall the music setup, but I assume there must have been music, possibly on records. When the rehearsal would start, the audience consisted of the various writers for each of the talents, and when a joke was told by that talent, his writer or writers would erupt with intense laughter, leading Phil to assume it was humorous, but when the show went before a live audience in the studio, it did not have the same effect or reaction as

the rehearsal with the writers laughing!

It took Phil Silver's couple of weeks to recognize the problem at which time he then banned all the writers and their families from rehearsals. I think it is important to mention at this time, that Phil was playing the lead in a very successful Broadway show, entitled "Top Banana", as well as his hit TV Show "Sergeant Bilco".

During the Phil Silver's air show in Studio 3-B, the writers and their families would seat themselves around the applause mikes set up in the studio, to reinforce the audience reaction. However, the show was not getting good ratings, and it was destined to go off. Prior to the show going off the air, the NBC management posted notices on the bulletin boards of both the guest Relations and the engineering Department instructing everyone to refrain from comments about the show. Saying just do your job and say nothing "pro or con" about the show.

**come to the Mini Lunch
at Piccolissimo :
September 21st
12:00 noon
P F Y O M :
(Pay For Your Own
Meal**

**HAVE A FRIEND
JOIN PEACOCK
NORTH!**

Silent Microphones

Johnny Andrews' first PN attendance was last year's La Maganette bash.

John then wrote letters and talked about how great this reunion made him feel. He went on endlessly and so wanted to do it again. Then in the last days of December, John passed away. How sad, since these meetings meant so much to him, that he couldn't make this one. We all mourn the passing of this talented and gentle early-TV-star.

According to Associated Press, Robert Toombs former NBCNews producer, who had global assignments, from Southeast Asia to the U.N, died Friday (July 23.) . He was 62.

While working on contract with NBC, Bob suffered a massive heart attack, just hours after finishing his day at the U.N. Toombs, a member of Peacock North, retired from NBC in January 1990. I had met Bob at a party at his (United Airlines pilot) brother's house in Stamford, and years later finally ran into Bob on some news event at 30 Rock.

AP mentions his great love for singing, and he sang with the Berkshire Choral Institute.

Lou Halpern passed away in Scottsdale, Arizona. Lou, a long-time NBC employee recently moved out West. He was a video engineer at time of his retirement, also an avid Ham radio operator.

John Norell passed away August 3rd. from a cerebral hemorrhage . His daughter notified

Pete via Frank Vierling. John had attended the RCA Institute , joined NBC in 1949, into the Engineering Ops Dept doing a long list of functions. John was 73.

Wayne Howell At his home in Pompano Beach, Fla. former announcer Wayne Howell passes away peacefully on July 8. Wayne and his wife had been watching TV and after she went to bed, he continued to watch the tube. Around five in the morning, she noticed he was not in his bed and she found him in front of the TV that had been his life.

The "Silver Fox's" biggest success on NBC TV was his long run with Broadway Open House, starring comic Jerry Lester and unforgettable Darrow. He also worked on NBC's Jonathan Winters show, Eddie Fisher, the radio version of Harry Salter's "Name That Tune", and a kids show "Dotto", among others.

Reminiscing in an early issue of PN, Wayne recalled how Arturo Toscanini's assistant always kept a bag of cheap pocket watches and gave the maestro one at rehearsals. When he got furious, Toscanini would yell at the musicians and smash his watch!

Wayne said, "I can still hear him screaming, "Testa di asino, que cosa fa ? - Whadda you play, waltz?" Da ta.da ta, tda ta) (Jackass, what are you doing? whadda you play, waltz?) Da ta, da ta, da ta???

Great story teller, Wayne Howell. We'll all miss him at PN brunches, which he always attended.

Read Dick Dudley's memoir of his friend Wayne elsewhere in P.N.

Wayne Howell

by Dick Dudley

It was in 1945, just after VE Day. I was the Program Director of the American Forces Network, and I had flown to Berlin from London to examine the AFN station there. The city was in complete ruins, except for one section which our bombers had spared so that our conquering troops would have buildings for headquarters and billets. (We did the same thing in Frankfurt, leaving the big I.G. Farben building standing in its surrounding debris.)

A pleasant young fellow was assigned to show me around. His name was Wayne Howell. He took me to an apartment where I was to bunk, which he said had belonged to Max Schmelling. It was handsomely furnished, and had a bookcase filled with pornographic books, which of course I didn't examine--but I did drink from the lister bag which hung in the (elegant) dining room.

I had brought along a big bag filled with cigarettes and candy, which I was told could be sold in Berlin for fabulous prices. Wayne took me to a spot where selling was going on, and I did sell my PX \$23 wristwatch to a Russian officer for \$450. Before I could unload the bag of goodies, a message came through for me to return with haste to London to close down the operation there. I said goodbye to Wayne, thanked him for his kindness, and gave him my bag of chocolate and tobacco valuables--never expecting to see him again.

Imagine my surprise later, to find that he had talked his way into becoming a radio director at NBC. Later he was either promoted (or demoted) to the announcing staff.

Before the war, Wayne worked at WLAC in Nashville, Tennessee, where he roomed with another fellow who later worked at NBC--his

name was David Brinkley.

Wayne's shining hour was being the announcer on "Broadway Open House" with Jerry Lester and the Junoesque Dagmar. He was a regular member of the cast, and acted as a straight man to Lester (as straight as Wayne could be). Ever after that when Jerry Lester would come to NYC, he would take over Wayne's apartment, gracefully allowing Wayne to sleep on the living room couch.

During the 1950's Wayne started recording interviews of famous people which were serviced to radio stations on transcriptions. He built a beautiful house in Oyster Bay, which he said he erected with a loan from a bank with no money down. Knowing Wayne, I almost believe he might have brought that off.

He had many friends, and they continually filled his apartment on 47th Street. He also had a sly way of getting these friends to do things for him, like fixing a dripping faucet or painting his kitchen. I was often coaxed to cook a capon for a holiday dinner. While others were performing chores, Wayne was doing his exercises on the terrace: turning pages of a book and developing muscles in his arm by lifting a cool one. As diligently as he exercised, I never saw him break out in a sweat.

Probably the best thing he ever did was to marry Thelma. She had a way of tolerating him, and will no doubt some day be canonized for it. Wayne and Thelma moved to Pompano Beach, Florida, where Wayne was able to satisfy his need for an audience by performing in the Little Theater there.

And then one night he stretched out on his sofa for a brief nap, which turned out to be eternal.

We will miss you, old chap--your good and bad humor, and even those corny jokes that you never forgot from "Broadway Open House."

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PETE PETERSON'S MESSAGE

PRO-TEM = HELP! THANKS RIPPY

We are fortunate to have H.Ripp in our membership! His continued dedication to your needs once again has come through. Despite his desire to leave after the last issue, we were not quite ready for the new team to take over. Rippy agreed then to continue PRO-TEM till we're up to speed.

Thanks too, to **Tony Nelle, Dolores Parylak, Rita Stipo and Betsey Temple**, for word- processing assistance on this edition. They responded enthusiastically to my call for help.

I am sure you are all aware of the government's new proposals modifying health care programs. PN'ers are vigilantly watching that it does not undermine corporate commitments made to seniors earlier, during their work years. More on this as the situation unravels with time.

We are saddened by the increasing number of silent mikes, for which there is no remedy. We remember those who have left us, with positive thoughts of them in earlier vibrant years, and we realize late, their contribution to our total community.

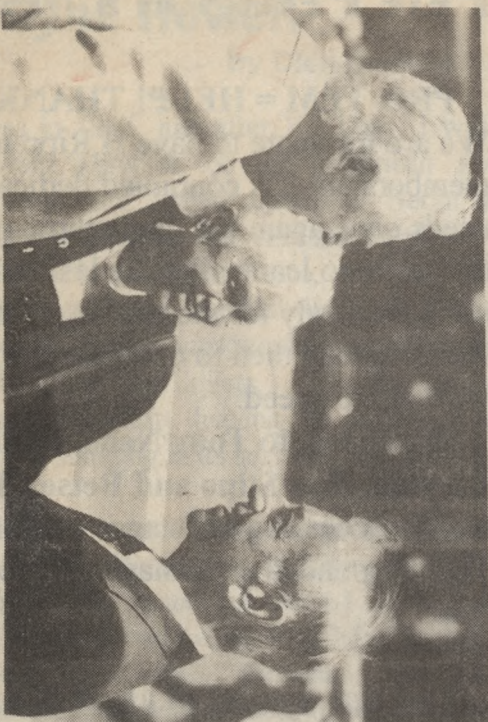
PN's next big get-together is slated for **Sunday, May 22, 1994 at La Maganette** (everyone's favorite spot) in N.Y.C... If there is any event sooner, you will be notified directly. There is, coming up immediately, a Mini-lunch at Picco Lissimo in Fort Lee, N.J. **at noon, Tuesday September 21, 1993**. It's a great opportunity to see friends still during this year, 1993.

Please write and let us know your thoughts on things past and present. We appreciate it all
Regards, **Peter Peterson.**

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Phil Falcone outside La Maganette
ESTAURANT before P.N.'s Spring Reunion.



Jim Smart and Tony Nelle also enjoyong the spring morning outside
La Maganette..Jim Flew his plane up from Nawth Kero-lye-nah.
Tony's contemplating his August voyage on his sailboat.