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A gala time was had by all at the 1990 Broadcast Pioneers Holiday Party. (Harold Pannepacker has volunteered to do it again next year.) Larry Ferrari entertained at the organ in his usual accomplished manner. Harold presided over the gift swapping, and informs us that for one reason or another somewhat fewer were present than in previous years, but those that did show up exchanged some really strange gifts. Among the informational gleanings...the Gene McCurdy's have new digs in Doylestown...Dia DiLullo back on the circuit after some time away and Larry Ferrari came with guests George and Emily Gardner.

NEXT MEETING...NEXT MEETING...NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 21st at Williamson's in the GSB Building on City Line Avenue. The times will be, as usual, 12:00 noon for cocktails and 12:30 P.M. for lunch. The price is still \$13.00 (please pay by check if you can). Dorie Lenz, who has done a great job on programs this year, has arranged for Jerry Del Colliano, of "Inside Radio" fame, to be our speaker. Jerry was with WFIL and Channel Six before founding his paper and locating in Cherry Hill. He knows the secrets and the whys and the wherefores and is sure to be an entertaining and interesting informant on the radio situation in the city and, in fact, the country. Again...PLEASE let Dorie know that you are coming. In order to arrange for the proper amount of tables and order the proper number of meals ADVANCE NOTICE IS A MUST. So please DON'T FORGET TO R.S.V.P. to Dorie Lenz at (215) 878-1700. Your R.S.V.P. is important!

The Person of the Year committee announces that this year we will honor the team of Joe Grady and Ed Hurst at our banquet in May. They are true pioneers and have been great contributors to the Philadelphia broadcasting scene for many years. Details for the May 7th salute to them will follow. Keep the date open on you calendars.

In case you were wondering where your 1990 membership directory is, it's being worked on and, hopefully, will be available in the near future.

Applications for our scholarship will be in the mail in about a week. We are looking forward to as great a response as we had last year.

New members to report this month:

Jack Pinto of WBUX in Doylestown where he is morning drive time personality and music director. He was proposed by Dominic Quinn. Dominic and Jack go back to WNEW in New York in the sixties. Incidentally, Dominic has a new address at WCAU Radio where he has taken over the all night show.

Another new member is Gay Bowes Paisley, proposed by Jim Felix. Gay had a long association with Paul Whiteman for his various radio and television programs and became his personal secretary when he retired to New Hope. You may also know her husband, Dick, who is a member of our chapter and has been to a few of our meetings over the years.

We're also glad to report that Neil Harvey, PH.D. has joined us as a new member. Neil, who is now the Dean of The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential in Philadelphia, has a career that began in 1934 with stints at WCAU, KYW, WFIL, WHAT, WGAL, WPEN and WFIL-TV.

Edna Whittington has been in touch with Ed Wallis, formerly of WIP, Channel 3 and General Manager of KDKA. He indicated to her that he would like to join our group and so Secretary Al Maslin has sent the necessary materials. Ed now lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico, at 7 General Sage Drive for any who would like to drop a line. Edna suggests that we also get in touch with John Paul Weber, Bill Manna, and Charlie Drock.

NEWS NOTES:

The Stecks and the Felixes are off to Elder Hostel in Arizona.

Larry Ferrari just back from Phoenix where he played a concert.

Susan Drake has booked for Africa once again. The trip this time includes a safari. She'll go in July.

Carter Merbreier, Captain Noah of Channel 6, doing some doctoring but is now on the mend.

Tom Moran keeping busy with vacation stints at Channel 6 and WPEN in addition to a busy free-lance schedule.

We are constantly looking for news items for the newsletter. If you have information for us please call Paul Norton at WPVI-TV. The number is (215) 878-9700 or you can write to Paul at WPVI-TV, 4100 City Line Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19131.

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