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Another great holiday party celebrated at the January meeting with our resident Santa, Harold Pannepacker, holding forth as usual. Larry Ferrari added the music and the Steck Family Singers did their part with some incidental vocal embellishments by member Bob Kravitz.

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

Thacher Longstreth joins us on February 17th. There are so few names that really need no further explanation. There is not space enough to cover the councilman's career, but he is always interesting and entertaining. Make it a point to be there at Williamson's in the GSB Building on City Line Avenue on the 17th. The time: cocktails at noon and lunch at 12:30 P.M. The price: \$15.00 (please pay by check if you can). This meeting should be one of our most interesting. PLEASE R.S.V.P. to Jo Oristaglio at (215) 642-3298. Your R.S.V.P. is VERY important. BOARD MEMBERS: there will be a board meeting at the Williamson's at 10:30 A.M. prior to this regular meeting.

Are Taylor Grant and Ed Harvey busy arranging programming for the club? Witness the line-up for the next few months:

The March program for our Pioneers meeting will be on the 10th of the month. Please note the change. Again...March 10th, the second Wednesday, not the third. It will feature Dr. Phyliss Kaniss, Assistant Dean of the Annenberg School of Communications of the University of Pennsylvania. She has written a number of critical pieces that have been featured on the Inquirer commentary page.

On April 7th (that's right, another change...please mark your calendars) new Congressperson Marjorie Margolies-Mezvinsky will be our speaker. Congratulations to our Program Committee...than which there is none than whicher.

Our Person of the Year dinner will be held on May 19th when we will honor our past President and this year's recipient, Dorie Lenz, at a banquet that holds the line on price again this year. The price for Pioneers members is \$55.00 per person, for non-members it's \$75.00 per person, and a table for 10 is \$750.00. There will be more information about the banquet forthcoming, but in the meantime, please mark your calendars appropriately. It is very important that we have as large a turn out as possible for this wonderful event.

In other news:

Art Stober has officially retired as Manager of Electronic Communications for Penn State University although he will continue to be employed there on a half time basis. The rest of the time he will be busy with the Art Stober Group, an association of companies that are doing consulting and production for colleges and universities.

Dave Klahr, the man behind magic "MGK", and in a long career has added to the formats at Q102 and WFIL-AM, is looking for programming or management opportunities. If you have something or have heard of something you can reach him at (609) 391-1579.

Buzz Allen has been named the North Penn Lodge of B'nai Brith Man of the Year. Buzz is the Executive Vice President of the North Penn Chamber of Commerce. Among his many other credits Buzz is also a member of our chapter.

Shelly Gross is on the mend after recent triple by-pass and valve replacement heart surgery. Within three weeks he was going out to dinner and is now getting in to work at the Music Fair two or three times a week. He sent a note thanking the club for the plant that was sent.

We also sent a plant to Howard Jones, WFIL-TV's legendary Happy the Clown, in hopes that it would aid his recovery. Delia (Mrs. Jones) writes that he is slowly working his way back from the bladder cancer operation.

George Pleasants, past President of our Pioneers chapter, and former Vice President and General Manager of WBUX in Doylestown, has been selected as the ninth annual Barbara Howard Master Volunteer by the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce. The award recognizes his 15 years of service to the organization. George recently retired from his long term job with WBUX.

Our Secretary, Al Maslin, has been re-elected as President of the Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club, Inc. This group of almost 200 ham radio operators meets in Wayne and is one of the most active clubs in the area. Al is one of the founding members of the group which was formed in 1975 and has served on its board of directors in various capacities ever since.

Don't forget to let us know of any news you might have for the newsletter. Paul Norton is always ready, willing, and able to accept your input. Now that he's gone hi-tech, you can leave a message for him even if he's not near his phone. So, to report any interesting happenings just give Paul a call at (215) 581-4508 or send a note to him at WPVI-TV, 4100 City Line Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19131.

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