

# September Newsletter

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## September Meeting

**Bala Golf Club**  
**September 19, 2001**

**Reception** 12:00 noon  
**Lunch** 12:30 p.m.  
**Ratecard** \$17.00 (NEW)  
**Phone** 215-563-1310 or 856-365-5600

Where has the summer gone? School's open and all the Pioneers will be back at it with a big September crowd at our meeting to greet the fall.

For the occasion we have two of the legendary 'good guys' of WIBBAGE fame. **Bill Wright, Sr.** and **Hy Lit** will hold forth with another good guy and legend in his own right, **Ed Harvey**. You'll have to see it to understand. Be there at Bala Golf Club, Wednesday, September 19 at 12 noon. It should be wonderful and a great time to find out what everyone has been doing during the summer. **New ratecard applies - \$17.00.**



**Hy Lit**



**Bill Wright Sr.**

### BOARD MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE

**There will be a 10:00 a.m. Board Meeting at Bala prior to the luncheon.**

**All board members are urged to attend.**

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**"I'm not against the police,  
I'm just afraid of them."**

**Alfred Hitchcock**

## Good News

It's been a busy summer for **Ed Papazian**, and if you don't believe it, just ask our new President. Ed became a first-time grandpa with Emma Bieluch's arrival, daughter of Julie and Bill Bieluch. Two weeks later, on July 14th, his daughter Jessica married Lemarc Schlosser.

In addition to this personal activity and trips hither and yon, he presided at the selection of the Hall of Fame in-

ductees for 2001. They are: **Sid Mark, Neil Harvey, Pat Delsi** and **Paul Norton**.

In addition, this year our Persons of the Year are ...tah dah...**Pat and Carter Merbreier** - AKA Captain and Mrs. Noah. Congratulations to all of our honored Pioneers.

Speaking about awards, how about **Jack Satterfield**! He was selected by the Pennsylvania Association of Broad-

casters for their Lifetime Achievement Award with about a hundred descriptive adjectives of his wonderful contributions to the industry over many years. Congratulations from all the Pioneers, Jack.

**Diego Castellanos** was given a tribute by the NJ Legislature for his show, Puerto Rican Panorama, which has been on 6 ABC for 31 years. The State House ceremony took

place June 14. Diego was also honored at a Camden Puerto Rican banquet on June 16 at the Clarion Hotel. A native of Puerto Rico, Diego considers Camden his second home. In addition, on May 25 Dr. Castellanos was honored with the Chairman's Award at the National Image Conference in Atlantic City.

## Happenings

How 'bout **Irv Homer**? He started a new career during the summer. Now he is heard daily (1-2 pm) at WBCB in Doylestown and Sundays (8:30-10 pm) on WPHT in Philadelphia. 77 year old Irv embarks on a new (post-WWDB) effort to keep Delaware Valley listeners informed and outraged. Nobody sleeps when Irv's around.

**John Beaty** and his wife Jan attended the 50th reunion of Palm Beach High School class of '51 the first week of July. On July 25, John suffered a small stroke which left him a bit unsteady with impaired vision, but all in all John considers himself lucky to have escaped more crippling impairments. John says he'll be

## More Happenings

Sad to note that past Pioneer's President, **Marian Lockett-Egan**, has lost her husband Douglas, who was 69. Their first date in 1980 was playing tennis. He died while on their last date, playing tennis, May 31, 2001. Massive brain hemorrhage. He was a graduate of the Naval Academy and a retired Amtrak executive. Marian misses him dreadfully.

Member **Charlie Higgins** has sent along

## And More

Speaking of Gerry **Wilkinson**, his oldest daughter Maya, 23, graduated with honors from Temple on September 6. She will receive two bachelor's degrees, one in Religion and one in Criminal Justice. Maya now plans to continue school as a candidate for a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice. Her dad Gerry graduated from Temple in 1969 and Gerry's mother in 1967 (correct date), so it's a family tradition.

Gerry says that the Broadcast Pioneer's website was mentioned in an article on "Time" magazine's website in early July.

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**Bob Kravitz** was having a great summer, up to a point. He had several auditions and a couple of jobs as an extra. Then on August 2 he had his first hip replacement. He rehab'd at Magee Hospital, and will be going in for the second replacement in 6 or 7 months. The irreplaceable Bobby will be back at work the second week of September, and probably at our September luncheon.

**Larry Litwin** celebrated 35 years in the business May 23. That was the day he joined KMCD radio in Fairfield, Iowa. He was later at Mt. Holly, Camden, ABC news in New York, and KYW Philadel-

an obituary of Charlotte Kagan, 83, who starred as "The Magic Lady" on a Philadelphia television show (WFIL) in the 1940's. A professional actress, she wore a blue satin dress and carried a magic wand. She later was an advertising copywriter in New York, where she died of lung cancer.

**Gerry Wilkinson** sends along this fascinating response from a visitor to the

This mention increased our website's traffic tenfold.

Greet new members: **Pinky Kravitz**, longtime Atlantic City broadcaster who is currently heard and seen on WMGM-TV 40 (NBC) and WOND-AM. Also **Ann Horton** who was for many years with WCAU-TV 10.

There's a new book you really should check out if you love Philadelphia television history. Written by Donald God-

phia. This past June he received a full time appointment as an assistant professor in the College of Communication at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ. The award winning radio station at Rowan is WGLS-FM.

Pioneer's Member **Brother Gerry Mo-lyneau** of LaSalle University's School of Communication will have Steve Burke, President of Camcast's Cable Division, as his guest speaker for the opening of the school year for LaSalle communications majors. Over the years his speakers have included Jack Jones, Roger LaMay, Herb Clarke, Harry Kalas, and Gary Papa.

**"Research is what I'm doing, when I don't know what I'm doing."**

**Werner Von Braun**

Broadcast Pioneers website. "I am the widow of Paul Henderson. He actually passed away December 7, 1997. Thank you for letting me hear his voice again (on our website). Did you know he won a Peabody Award while working for Mutual?" Many of us remember Paul as an excellent newscaster and wonderful person at WFIL radio and Channel 6. Thanks to his widow, JoAnn Sliwa, and Gerry who has the voices of many people included on our website.

frey, an Arizona State University Professor in the Walter Kronkite School of Communications. The title of the book is "Philo T. Farnsworth: The Father of Television" (University of Utah Press - \$30). It shows the first exhibition of television took place not in New York at the 1939 World's Fair, but in 1934 at the Franklin Institute. You have to read this one.

**Don't forget to send your items to Paul Norton for inclusion in the newsletter. You can reach him at 205 Ocean View Blvd., Lewes, DE 19958, or e-mail nanort@aol.com, phone 1-302-645-8910, or fax 1-302-644-9036.**