Member Tom Moran continues playing music at WRDR 'down the shore.' They have recently changed their format to music from the 70's. Tom continues to work on



the railroad, a lifelong passion of his. He says that the Cape May Seashore Lines will have an

inaugural train going into Cape May City in December to include as passengers on the initial run...Governor Christy Whitman of New Jersey, Al and Stella Alberts, and Paul Norton.

Many of our members miss hearing John Paul Weber on WIP. He had quite a career at the station. John Paul graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Camden in 1935, and self taught announcer, he landed at WIP in 1937. He was drafted in 1941 and was on NBC and Mutual doing radio shows from Fort Bragg during the war. He recalls making \$37 a week when he was drafted and when he returned in 1945 his pay increased to \$67 a week, plus fees. He recalls the summer fill-ins for he, John Facenda and Howard Jones (later Happy the Clown), were Ed McMahon, Bill Campbell and Gene Crane. Quite a nice bunch of parttime help, wouldn't you say?

He will be joined at the Person of the Year, Hall of Fame dinner by his son, John Cameron Weber, who will be in town after a period in Damn Yankees in Coral Springs, Florida. He has appeared in many shows including West Side Story and on television. Neil Harvey and John Roberts have met with officials of the Atwater Kent Museum to pursue avenues of radio/TV and video development as presentation programs there.



Frank and Mary Jelinek will start their 25th year of radio broadcasting in Philadelphia on November 20. They had 14

years at WCAU and the last 11 at WWDB.

Marie Pantarelli enjoying a vacation in Spain.



Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania has a Media and Entertainment Club. We have been in touch with their President, Jonathon Levinson, who will attend one of our luncheons and tell us a little of what they are doing.

Broadcast PIONEERS

of Philadelphia

November Meeting

Date:

November 19, 1998

Time:

6:00 p.m. Reception 7:00 p.m. Dinner

Ratecard:

\$60.00 Members \$80.00 Non-Members

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Place:

Adam's Mark Hotel Monument & City Avenue

Philadelphia

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PERSON OF THE YEAR HALL OF FAME

Please call 610-642-1150 ASAP or mail your reservation today.

Please keep the information coming. Send news items of all sorts to Paul Norton, 205 Ocean View Blvd., Lewes, DE 19958. Phone 302-645-8910 or email nanort@aol.com.

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AND THE BIG NEWS IS...

The biggest event of the Broadcast PIONEERS' YEAR...THE 1998 Person of the Year and Hall of Fame

inductees dinner.

PERSON OF THE YEAR

Art Moore

Past President of our club and now Director of Programming for WABC-TV

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Ed Harvey Joe Niagara Ralph J. Roberts Kal Rudman

You should all have received invitations in the mail and we hope that you will respond promptly. Tickets are \$60 for members and \$80 for non-members. The event supports the Broadcast PIONEERS' Scholarship Fund. If you need information, call (610) 642-1150.

Again, President Shelly Gross hopes that he can be there for this event, but his recovery from heart surgery has been slow. Shelly wishes to thank everyone for their expressions of support.

Lew Klein, PIONEERS' Past President, also had heart by-pass surgery on October 9. Lew is resting at home and is expected to make a full recovery. You may recall that Lew had a seven by-pass operation in 1982, the year he was our club's Person of the Year. Again, Lew thanks everyone for their cards, letters and prayers.

Our thanks to Gerry Wilkinson for the information. Gerry will be working at WHYY-TV as Associate producer for both the November capital campaign and the December pledge drive.



Ed Harvey is planning a surprise program for the December 16 meeting, and you'll have to stay tuned for that one. In

other news of upcoming programs, Chairman Alan Tripp has sent out monitoring reports to committee members for their analysis. The awards will be made at the March meeting. A March trip to New York is also coming. Ed Papazian will have news later.

Ed is also in charge of collecting information, files, data, videos, history and all other records you may have of or on Broadcast PIONEERS of Philadelphia. He will maintain and store records. Call him if you have material.

New members are still coming in, and we hope all of you are reminding your coworkers and industry friends to join us. Call Jo Oristaglio for forms. There are still some members who have not renewed. Please take care of it as we will soon be dropping those from whom we have not heard.

Bob Dome is staying active with a new product called Drink Mate (it lets you hold your plate and your glass in one hand). Bob, of course, was the 1970 President of our club and the first President of the Television-Radio Ad Club, which he named TRAC. He was also President of the Milline

Club (14 lines to an inch). Steve Rooney has taken over day-to-day operations of Dome and Associates, which Bob founded and now operates out of Pittsburgh. Bob recently moved to an apartment which frees him to do a lot of sailing all over the world. He is active in the



world. He is active in the Coast Guard Auxiliary.