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If you missed last month's meeting you really missed a winner. Our guest speaker, Dick Jackman from the Sun Oil Company was really great. Dick's humor covered everything from broadcasting to why we pay so much for gasoline. He was very funny and it looked like everyone who was there left with a smile on his or her face. It was also nice to see such a great turnout for this meeting. Our meetings are really great with our program committee doing a fantastic job in lining up interesting programs for us. You should really plan to attend as often as possible.

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The December meeting will be held on Wednesday December 18th at the usual place: Williamson's in the GSB Building on City Line. This month Taylor Grant has arranged for "The Malox Moment" with Pioneers **Les Waas, Jack Steck, Sandra Richman, Ed Harvey, Chris Wheeler** and, perhaps, one or two others participating. This should be lots of fun. Mark your calendars now. Be sure to R.S.V.P. early. The usual times: 12 noon for cocktails and 12:30 P.M. for the luncheon. The cost is still \$13.00. It helps those at the door if you would please pay by check. Make checks payable to "Broadcast Pioneers" and please do not send your check in to the P.O. box ahead of time. Due to the usual delay in getting the mail your check may not arrive prior to the luncheon thus causing great confusion. Please R.S.V.P. as soon as possible. To R.S.V.P. call Jo Oristaglio at 642-3298. Remember: your R.S.V.P. is important. PLEASE call Jo and let her know that you will be attending. Call Jo NOW at 642-3298.

BOARD MEMBERS: Dorie Lenz has announced that there will be a meeting of the board at 10:30 A.M. on December 18th. The meeting will take place in our meeting room at Williamson's just prior to the regular meeting. As the board meets to discuss important business matters of the chapter it is very important that all members of the board be in attendance.

Prior to the November meeting there was a meeting of the By-laws Committee which is chaired by **Marian Lockett-Egan**. The committee did a great deal of work on our chapter's by-laws and will continue to refine them in the near future. Our by-laws haven't been revised for some time and the committee is doing a great job in bringing them up to date.

Welcome new members **Frank, Michael and Ida Nise**, principals of Nise Productions, Inc. In their 20 odd years of radio and TV production they have been responsible for a number of hit records and for the television show "Dancin' on Air."

Charles Lee has a big month in December. From the 3rd to the 27th he will have a one man art show at the Burrison Art Gallery of the Faculty Club at the University of Pennsylvania. It's open to the public with a reception on the 3rd from 4:30 to 6:30. On the 5th Dr. Lee's book of poetry "Love, Life, and Laughter" is coming out in a paperback edition.

Did you notice that **Les Waas**, perennial acting President of the Procrastinators Club was cited on page 20 of the November issue of the Reader's Digest? Actually, it was a reprint from the Wall Street Journal in which, among other recent activities, was included the resignation from that group of fellow Pioneer **Bob Dome**. Seems Dome was upset because he thought it was premature to give the "Comedy Team of the Year" award to Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis just 15 years after they split up. Trouble is, Dome had yet to join the club, so it was a little early for him to be quitting. For that he got a prize of his own: a blank plaque, with inscription to come.....some day.

Other people news:

Harry Haas, past President of our chapter is recovering from full replacement knee surgery at home. Harry expects to be good as new very soon.

Grace Kenny reports that Pioneer **Jack O'Rourke** landed a hole in 1 at the Center Square Golf Club recently. Nice going Jack.

Our condolences go to **Austin Culmer** whose 62 year old brother died suddenly while on vacation in Nepal.

The Philadelphia Chapter has lost two of its long time members. **Elizabeth Masterman Zindel** died at age 82 at her home in Elkins Park. She was the first Philadelphia woman to have her own radio show "Betty Jordan, the Good Cook," which was aired on WFI, WFIL, and KYW. Contributions may be sent to the University of Pennsylvania's Annual Giving Fund, 21 Penn Tower, 3400 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Also, **Ted Reinhart**, who was 74, has died. He produced talk shows on WPEN from 1951 to the '70's. A long time Secretary and Life Member of the Golden Slipper Club, contributions can be made to their charities or a charity of the donor's choice.

Things have not been going well in our chapter's membership department. At last count we have now lost about 30 members. If you know of anyone who has not renewed why not encourage them to do so. Our total membership number is not bad but it's a shame to lose so many members. Maybe it's the economic times we all face. Our chapter is doing just fine, but it would be nice to have these folks back with us.

Have any info for the newsletter? Please contact **Paul Norton** at WPVI-TV. His phone number is (215) 878-9700.

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