

WHO'S WHAT/ WHAT'S WHERE



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WELCOME TO PPB'S NEW PRESIDENT, **SAM LOVULLO**. He started his career in the Entertainment business at CBS-TV as a Chief Accountant. Next came a promotion to Production Manager for the Film and Tape departments and then to Manager of Business Affairs for CBS West Coast. After positions with the "Jonathan Winters Show" and "Hee Haw," when the latter went into syndication he became the show's sole Producer. Recently retired, **SAM** returns to Nashville on "Hee Haw" and country music business when needed. Welcome aboard!

THE RAFTERS AT THE MARRIOTT Woodland Hills rang with great sounds coming from the voice of talented actress/singer Sally Kellerman. Kellerman has amassed an impressive résumé of feature films, television and theater credits that are too many to mention and continue to grow each year. Her latest album is entitled simply, "Sally," and is getting great reviews. Joining President **CHUCK SOUTHCOTT**, Resident Humorist **HAL KANTER** and Entertainment Chair **JEANNE DeVIVIER BROWN** on the dais were Sally's friends and co-workers: Brenda Vaccaro, Hal David, Bud Cort, Bob Esty, Helen Borgers, Stanley Dorfman, Jonathan Krane, Dyan Cannon, Robert Forster and Lily Tomlin. Sally gave a gracious response when accepting the **ART GILMORE** Lifetime Achievement Award.

PRESENTING THE DIAMOND CIRCLE AWARD, **CHRISTOPHER THOMAS** said our Honoree is a producer, actor, DJ, announcer and talk show host. In theater, he created, wrote and performed the title role in his tribute to one of America's great writers ... *Meeting F. Scott Fitzgerald*. During his time at KFI, he and his wife, Sheila, created the National Leukemia Broadcast Council to raise funds to fight leukemia in children. Talk about the power of worthy broadcasting ... the result to date is over \$80,000,000. He is **LARRY VANDERVEEN**.

RALPH EDWARDS PRODUCTIONS is in the process of donating **RALPH**'s very extensive archives of radio programs, television shows and scripts and papers to the UCLA Film and Television Archives and to the Library of Congress.

STEVE BLUESTEIN IN NEW YORK for the open-

ing of a new play he wrote called *Rest In Pieces* starring Marcia Wallace. **JOHN HARLAN**, who was elected to the National Board, and **CHUCK SOUTHCOTT**, who was elected to the Local Board, were in Chicago for the AFTRA National Convention. And now, **CHUCK** and his wife Karlene are looking forward to a visit from their new grandson (and his parents) so they can show him the Pacific Ocean.

DIAMOND CIRCLE HONOREE VAN ALEXANDER's new book, *From Harlem to Hollywood*, invoking many untold memories from the Big Band era, is doing very well and can be found at **Amazon.com** ... **ESTHER McVEY**, in Eugene, Oregon, is busy recreating old radio shows. Her daughter, Gayle Caldwell, a frequent visitor to PPB, recently passed away. Gayle was a prolific composer and was one of the Original New Christy Minstrels.

NEW PPB MEMBER BIANCA PINO and her husband, Bob Bowker, spent six weeks in Africa visiting Kenya, Congo, Rwanda, Uganda and South Africa ... cruising the Baltic were **DAVID** and Nancy **DOW** who had looked forward to visiting St. Petersburg. Also river cruising, to Waal, Rhine and Mosel, were **ED WILLIAMS** and wife Nancy ... **GENE PLUNKETT** and wife Gayle spent time in England, Scotland and Ireland with a stop in Paris.

FORMER BOARD MEMBER MIKE WALDEN was inducted into the USC Hall of Fame. **WALDEN** was the voice of the Trojans on both radio and television. And **STEVE BINDER** received the Directors Award of the Year from the Caucus for Producers, Writers & Directors.

JEANNE DEVIVIER BROWN TELLS US that *Film Fax Magazine* did an article on **LUCKY BROWN**, and he talked so much that the magazine made it a two-parter. After years of fighting City Hall for permits, they have finished construction on their new Movie Tech Studios in Van Nuys. **WOODY WOODBURY** asked about **JEANNE** who was the talent booker on his variety show produced by the **RALPH EDWARDS** Company.

ABOUT TO CELEBRATE HIS 100TH birthday, **NORMAN CORWIN** will be signing his book, *One*

World Flight: The Lost Journal of Radio's Greatest Writer, on Tuesday, September 15 at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, corner of Westwood and Pico. He will be there as will Norman Lear and other luminaries. Also honoring **NORMAN**, PPBer **MIKE KACEY** has started a petition to honor him with the Congressional Gold Medal and/or the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Sign the petition at www.poetlaureateofradio.com.

HOSTING AN INTERNET RADIO SHOW, "GETTING TO KNOW YOU," ON KSAV.ORG, **SUSAN MCCRAY** has interviewed many PPB members. Archives of past programs can be found on www.susanmccray.com ... **JERALDINE SAUNDERS** has a new edition to her book *The Love Boat*. The long-running TV series played on ABC. She also is writing a syndicated astrology column replacing the late Sydney Omarr.

DR. GEORGE FISCHBECK RECENTLY SPENT two months riding fire trucks to raise money for fire stations all over California. Laura Miller from Northern California asks to mention that she seeks to buy vinyl record collections. She can be contacted at clearbluesky@sbbmail.com.

GERRY FRY INFORMS US THAT the PPB website has been updated with all the latest membership and luncheon information at www.ppbwebsite.org. Please check your name by clicking on "Membership List" in the left column. If you have an email address and a yellow envelope icon does not appear by your name, click on "update" and send it to us.

FORMER PPB PUBLICIST FRANK LIBERMAN has moved from the Motion Picture Home to the Jewish Home for the Aging. He would love to hear from you and can be reached at 7150 Tampa Ave., JFK Medical Building, Third Floor Suite 1017, Reseda, CA 91335.

PPBER MARILYN KING WILL BE STARRING, along with Rosemary Butler and Kae Butterfield, in **HORACE HEIDT's** 43rd Annual Labor Day Luau on Saturday, September 5, with Polynesian show and fire dance. For dinner, dance and show reservations, call 818-784-8211, ext. 14.

PPB MEMBER ROBERT DIX HAS A NEW BOOK now published by Ernest Publishing Co. called *Out of Hollywood*, the story of two generations of actors: **ROBERT DIX** and his famous father, Richard Dix. You can order at 800-275-6031.



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