



NOTED MOTION PICTURE historian, critic, author, lecturer and professor **LEONARD MALTIN** has been on CBS' "Entertainment Tonight" for over 25 years, has authored many books including his yearly *Movie Guide* and teaches cinema at USC. His seven pages of credits were too many to list. Joining President **CHUCK SOUTHCOTT** and Program Chair **JEANNE De VIVIER BROWN** on the dais to roast/toast **MALTIN** were **BEA WAIN**, **JUNE FORAY**, **TOM HATTEN**, **NORMAN CORWIN**, **ART GILMORE**, **A.C. LYLES**, Darryl Hickman, **MARGARET O'BRIEN**, **STAN FREBERG** and **HAL KANTER**. **JEANNE** read a great letter from Larry Gelbart who was unable to attend. **MALTIN** made a gracious acceptance speech when President **SOUTHCOTT** presented him with the Art Gilmore Career Achievement Award.

FORMER PRESIDENT GIL STRATTON presented the Diamond Circle Award saying: "Today I'm going to break precedent once again, by welcoming two new members to the Circle for the first time. They once had the same name, did the same kind of work, and have remained friends! Why not? They're brothers!"

"The Narz Boys, **JACK** and **JIM**, later to become **JACK NARZ** and **TOM KENNEDY**. **TOM** hosted 'Name That Tune' among others...while among **JACK**'s Game Show credits, 'Beat The Clock,' 'Top Dollar' and 'The Bob Crosby Variety Show.'

"They both asked for short intros explaining, 'Let's not put anyone to sleep!' **JACK** is the elder, so he speaks first...ladies and gentlemen, **JACK NARZ** and **TOM KENNEDY**."

TOM and **JACK** responded with humor and thanks.

PPB TREASURER RIC ROSS SAYS: "After careful consideration of current costs, in continuing our wonderful luncheon tributes for our industry friends and the going administration of our organization, the Board has found it necessary to raise the cost of membership to \$55.00 a year. Also, beginning in September, 2007 the luncheon cost will be \$30.00 per individual."

TRAVELS — Former PPB Board member **DALE OLSON** just returned from a cruise up the Rhein, visiting ancient castles and taking the "bullet train" from Cologne to Frankfurt. **DALE** reports the historic towns and cities

along the Rhein are very hospitable to American tourists, particularly if the trip is arranged through the German Tourist Board in N.Y. which can provide personal guides and select services. The guide in historic Rudesheim even invited him to his home and cooked a hearty German breakfast. Heidelberg is a must, visiting the historic castle and, particularly, the student prison, where rowdy young men from the University are placed behind bars to cool off. All the walls are filled with their incredible artwork, a must to see. There are students from all over the world at the University, particularly because education is virtually free in Germany if your grades qualify. And, he says, "I had the best escargot I've ever tasted — even better than in France — in the Kölner Hofbrau in a quaint little street where everyone gathers." What a beautiful trip.

PPB Board member **JOHN COUCH** from Ralph Edwards Productions was in London where "This Is Your Life" is being relaunched (it has been on in England since 1955). The ITV program is hosted by Sir Trevor MacDonald and the first honoree was "American Idol's" Simon Cowell. **MAX ECKERT** and friends vacationing in Paris and Amsterdam. **CHARLES CAPPLEMAN** and wife just returned from Morocco.

Historian **JANET WALDO** back from New York where she attended the opening of the revival of *Inherit The Wind* written by her late husband Robert E. Lee and his partner Jerome Lawrence. The 50-year-old play received four Tony nominations this time around.

JOHN and Beverly **HARLAN** recently cruised to Alaska where they enjoyed the scenery, particularly the glaciers.

MOVIN' ON — PPBER **JAMES GILLIS** and his wife, Jane, after 46 years in the same house in Toluca Lake are moving on. They are going to a retirement community called Rossmore in Walnut Creek, Calif. **JIM** says that three of their children live in the Bay Area. He says he certainly has enjoyed his association with PPB, saying **JOHN HARLAN** was one of the first persons he met back in '61. **JIM** and Jane will be missed. Long-time member **MARCIA RIES**, who moved back to her hometown of Indianapolis to be near family, writes that she misses her many PPB friends and others in this area.

ON APRIL 16 TOM SHELLEY was a guest backstage at the historic Alex Theatre in Glen-

dale for the first annual “Heart of We Spark” Humanitarian Award for Jonathan Winters. We Spark is a cancer support group doing notable work with cancer patients and their families. **TOM** worked with Winters on many occasions in the ’70s and ’80s producing commercials, sports promos and a documentary film (*Paths To Progress*).

FRED TRAVALENA, impressionist-actor, was heard on **kasav.org** Tuesday, May 8 at 5:50 Pacific time on the “Getting To Know You” radio show produced and hosted by PPBer **SUSAN McCRAY**. A sorry-we-missed event — On May 1, **MARILYN KING** and her daughters Susannah and Jenny and studio singer Sue Allen were at the Catalina Bar and Grill with a tribute to the famed King Sisters.

CART PRODUCER PEGGY WEBBER says the CART production, “The Upstart Crow,” starring Dianne Mercer and Peter Dennis at the Beverly Garland Little Theatre June 16 was a big hit. Sorry we couldn’t announce it in time for our members to attend. **PEGGY** does such a great job.

SUE CLARK CHADWICK, was honored in March by Ralph Edwards Productions and the Ralph Edwards family for her 60 years with the organization. At the gala, Gary Edwards’ opening remark was, “This is not a retirement party.” Charter member **ROBERT EASTON**, who taught Forrest Whitaker his Oscar, Golden Globe, BAFTA, NAACP and SAG award-winning Uganda dialect for *The Last King of Scotland*, is now coaching Whitaker for his old-time Texas preacher role in *The Great Debate*. Great stories and pictures about PPB events in the Spring issue of *Seasons*, the Thaliens publication. Stories and photos on the **GLEN CAMPBELL** luncheon, the **A.C. LYLES** luncheon and the **JOHNNY GRANT** event...with pictures of the participants. Also a photo of **JEANNE** and “**LUCKY**” **BROWN**.

MIKE WALDEN, PPB member and former Board member, will emcee the Southern California Tennis Association Hall of Fame dinner, Friday evening, July 13, 2007. The black-tie affair will be held at The Four Seasons Hotel in Beverly Hills. The Hall of Fame dinner is presented every two years and this will be **WALDEN**’s fourth time as Emcee. Those being inducted are Dennis Ralston, Charlie Passarel, Ted Schroeder, Pam Shriver, Gussie Moran and Darlene Hard.

BUSY BOARD MEMBER JUNE FORAY was recently videotaped for a DVD of the “Smores” series. In July, she will be on a

panel at Grauman’s Chinese Theatre honoring Walter Lantz.

FORMER PRESIDENT FRANK BRESSEE and his wife, Bobbie, sent a card from Lucerne, Switzerland, where they are vacationing, before going to London so Bobbie can shop at Harrod’s.

PPB WEBMASTER GERRY FRY reports that he has updated the Membership List on our Website at **www.ppbwebsite.org** or **www.pacificpioneerbroadcasters.org**. If you have Internet access:

1. Please go to the Website and click on Membership List in the left column.
2. Click on the first letter of your last name, which will open another window in which you can scroll to your name.
3. Check to see that the description opposite your name under the “Affiliations” column correctly describes what you do/did in this business.
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Membership Chairman **KAY HENLEY** announces

New Members

JOYCE BULIFANT
KEN KRAMER
SEAN O’GRADY
TANNY WIGGINS

We will remember with admiration

RAY ERLNBORN
GEORGE GREELEY
MALA POWERS

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