

FMCS RETIREE LETTER

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HUBBARD'S HOMILIES

Conscience is a small voice deep down inside where the acoustics are generally poor.

The polite way of speaking with God is to be still long enough to listen.

EDWARD'S EFFLORESCENT EFFUSIONS

How to Know You Are Growing Old

Everything hurts and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.
You feel like the night before and you haven't been anywhere.
Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D.
You turn out lights for economic reasons not romantic ones.
Your back goes out before you do.
You look forward to a dull evening.
You are 17 around the neck, 42 around the waist and 108 around the gold course.

The New Director

The President has appointed and the Senate has confirmed the appointment of Kay McMurray as the new Director of the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service.

McMurray graduated from Stanford University in 1940 with a bachelor of arts degree in political science. He also pursued post graduate studies in Business Administration at the same University.

Following attendance at flight school in the early 1940's he became a pilot for United Airlines and held the rank of captain. While with United, he was a member of the pilots' negotiating committee.

From 1949 to 1953, he lived in his home state of Idaho where he was assistant to the president of Inland Empire Insurance Company. During this same period, he was also a registered representative of the New York Stock Exchange.

into his office and find John with his feet on the desk and eyes closed, remember he is not sleeping. John insists that the issues in today's arbitration cases are so complex and technical that they can only be solved by a great deal of introspection and contemplation.

Seriously, knowing John's ability and acceptability, we have no doubt that he will be as effective an arbitrator as he was as a mediator. All of the best to you, John!

Our Southwest contingent held another mini reunion last Spring. Attending were Sherm and Edith Jean Hodges; Hal and Fay Roach; Ed and Jean Richards and Jim and Kay Addessi. Another get together is planned for this fall.

Speaking of Jim Addessi, '58, Jim has had his share of surgery--a by pass and eight weeks later an aneurism of the aorta. To prepare himself for his second operation Jim was advised to shed some excess pounds. Jim trimmed down from 206 to 170.

Jim's daughter has been promoted to General Manager of Fort Myers and Cape Coral Telephone answering service.

George Roewer, '46 is really pelting the old golf ball around. He recently won low gross in the Central New York Open with a two over par 74. There were 147 entrants from the Syracuse-Utica-Rochester area. George also attended his 45th reunion at Dartmouth.

George admits that his 65-68 year old classmates are getting a mite slow getting around.

We regret to report that two of our former colleagues and friends have left us.

Harold Marthenke was born in Racine, Wisconsin. After studies at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Harold held various jobs in Racine including Business Agent for a large local of the Teamsters Union. In 1939, he became associated with the Wage and Hour Division of the U. S. Department of Labor.

In 1942, he joined the Amalgamated Clothing Workers as a National Representative. In 1947, he was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Tennessee State Industrial Council. In 1951, he was appointed Labor Member of the Regional Wage Stabilization Board.

Harold joined the Service in 1953 in Nashville, Tennessee and shortly thereafter was transferred to the Detroit office. In 1966, he was transferred to Kalamazoo where he served until his retirement in 1973.

We regret to report the death of Louise McFarland. Louise retired from the National office as Personnel Assistant in 1969 after 28 years with FMCS. Louise was always helpful when mediators had problems and never was too busy to help them find the answers. We miss her.

Hal Roach '60 had a hernia repaired and afterwards traveled to his old official station - Akron. He is still the ardent fisherman.

Lyle Hughes '65 went to North Carolina for a "Pig Picking" held for his daughter's engagement party. Lyle's son is a sports car racer. He will be in the National run-offs and one of his competitors will be Paul Newman - the actor.

The travel bug is still rampant:

Kay Baldwin '46 - Israel, Egypt, Holland (for the Floriade), Austria, South Dakota and California.

Angelo Bottone '68 - Alaska

Harold Mills ' - Washington, Oregon and California

Sherm Hodges ' 62 - Ohio, Colorado, New Mexico

Rita McKenna '46 - Florida.

The Metropolitan Washington gang continued their mini reunions. Thanks to the organizing efforts of Pearl Smith, a representative group attended: Dot Kershow; Ann Lanahan; Gil Seldin; Gil McCutcheon; Ann Mony; Pearl Smith; Dot Christiansen; Ed O'Brien and the editor.

Harry Weber '63 is quite a fan of his grandson and granddaughter who compete in roller skating racing tournaments. Both recently received Championship Status in the relays and sprints held in Toledo.

Sherm Hodges '62 reports that his 15 year old grandson had a 3 hour 40 minute struggle but finally landed a 7 1/2 foot sail fish. Incidentally we are delighted to learn that Sherm's gracious Edith Jean is well on her way to complete recovery after a long hospitalization.

George Walker has unfortunately joined our sick brethren. As a result, George has sold his boat and curtailed his favorite hobby - fishing. Our best, George!

REFLECTIONS

The most important 6 words:
"I admit I made a mistake."

The most important 5 words:
"I am proud of you."

The most important 4 words:
"What is your opinion?"

The most important 3 words:
"If you please."

The most important 2 words:
"Thank you."

The most important word:
"We"

And the LEAST important word:
"I"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following retirees will celebrate the anniversary of their 39th birthday in the next few months:

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Willis Ray
P. O. Box 1867
Conroe, Texas 77301

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Barney Toner
215 West Lee Street
Seattle, Wash. 98119

Clair Replogle
216 Ridge Road
Acme, Penna. 15610

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Lewis Towers
5509 Colonial Drive
Savannah, Ga. 31406

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Edward Richards
3812 S. E. 18th Place
Cape Coral, Fla. 33904

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William MacDermott
P. O. Box 6
Hopkinton, Mass. 01748

David Roadley
P. O. Box 8
2 Academy Court
Berryville, Va. 22611

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Thelma Desmond
800 West 11th Street
Lexington, Neb. 68850

November

- 15 C. K. Call
1443 Forest Road
Clearwater, Florida 33515
- 16 Lyle Hughes
1422 North Forman Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46224
- 21 Daniel Hurley
2 Yorkshire Road
Dover, Massachusetts 02030

Hope Springs Eternal

With a new Director aboard, we earnestly hope he will restore the morale of the field staff which from many reports has fallen to an all time low. If he can achieve this goal, mediators will be able to look upon their work not as just another job but with dedication to the mission of mediation as a way to supplant conflict with cooperation.

In future issues we hope to indicate some directions which should be addressed if improvements are to be made.