THIRD ANNUAL

OLD-TIME RADIO CONVENTION



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Friends of Old-Time Radio

October 7, 1978 Holiday Inn Bridgeport, Connecticut

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

REGISTRATION 9:00)
DEALERS, DISPLAYS, BROWSING AND MOVIES 9:00 - 2:30)
SOUND EFFECTS WORKSHOP #1 10:30 - 11:00)
ACTING WORKSHOP #1 11:00 - 12:00)
SOUND EFFECTS WORKSHOP #2 12:30 - 1:00)
ACTING WORKSHOP #2 1:00 - 2:00)
TRIVIA WORKSHOP WITH DICK CURLAND (Prizes awarded) 2:00 - 2:30)
TEACHING WORKSHOP WITH GARY YOGGY . 2:30 - 3:19	5
SHAKESPEARE READINGS BY RAYMOND EDWARD JOHNSON 3:15 - 4:00)
PANEL DISCUSSION WITH NEW GUESTS . 4:30 - 5:30)
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COCKTAIL HOUR 5:30 - 7:00)
DINNER, TWO RADIO SHOWS AND AWARDS	0

LEE ALLMAN

The Green Hornet, The Lone Ranger, Sgt. Preston, Hermit's Cave.

GEORGE ANSBRO

ABC Staff Announcer, Ethel and Albert, When a Girl Marries, Young Widder Brown, Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, Chaplain Jim

IRA ASHLEY

Director of Grand Central Station and Young Dr. Malone, Director-Producer of the Second Mrs. Burton

JACKSON BECK

Narrator of Superman, United States Steel Hour and Mark Trail. Acted in Cicso Kid, FBI in Peace and War, Philo Vance

COURT BENSON

Narrator of Tennessee Jed, acted in Big Sister, Backstage Wife, Our Gal Sunday, Young Widder Brown, Aldrich Family, Big Town

ED BLAINEY

Sound effects for Phillip Morris Playhouse, The Fat Man, Gangbusters, Counterspy, Hop Harrigan, FBI in Peace and War, Mr. District Attorney, Mike Shayne, The Shadow

RALPH CAMARGO

Road of Life, X Minus One, Gangbusters, Counterspy, Captain Midnight

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BOB DIXON

Announcer for Life Can Be Beautiful, Perry Mason, Rosemary

RAYMOND EDWARD JOHNSON

Young Hickory, Don Winslow, Mandrake the Magician, Inner Sanctum, Public Defender

EVIE JUSTER

Just Plain Bill, Big Sister, Pepper Young's Family, Our Gal Sunday, Right to Happiness, Kitty Foyle, Suspense, Dr. Christian, Gangbusters

PEG LYNCH

Created, wrote and starred as Ethel in Ethel and Albert on radio and TV, Little Things in Life

DON MACLAUGHLIN

Chaplain Jim, Counterspy, Ethel and Albert, Road of Life, Gangbusters, Romance of Helen Trent, We Love and Learn, Tennessee Jed, The Witch's Tale

GRACE MATTHEWS

Big Sister, The Shadow, Hilltop House, Road of Life, Ellery Queen, My True Story, Aunt Jenny

HAMILTON O'HARA

Sound effects for The Shadow, Inner Sanctum, Grand Central Station, Gunsmoke, Pepper Young's Family

BOB PRESCOTT

Sound effects for Jack Benny Show, Fibber McGee and Molly, Bob Hope Show, Eddie Cantor Show, Orson Welles, Kate Smith, Ethel Barrymore, Jessica Dragonette

ALICE RETNHEART

Abbott Mysteries, Casey Crime Photographer, John's Other Wife, Gangbusters, Her Honor, Nancy James, One Man's Family, Life Can Be Beautiful, Pretty Kitty Kelly, Cavalcade of America, Woman in My House

ROSA RIO

Organist for Between the Bookends, Cavalcade of America, Court of Missing Heirs, Deadline Drama, Ethel and Albert, Front Page Farrell, Hannibal Cobb, Lorenzo Jones, Myrt and Marge, The Shadow, When A Girl Marries, Rosa Rio Rhythms

LEE STANLEY

Jack Armstrong, Lux Theater, Archie Andrews, My True Story

BLAIR A. WALLISER

Director of Backstage Wife, Chandu the Magician, Front Page Farrell, Harold Teen, Just Plain Bill, Peter Quill, Romance of Helen Trent

BETTY WRAGGE

Pepper Young's Family, Red Davis

REMINISCING

The first convention was held in 1971 at the Holiday Inn in New Haven. Guests were Bret Morrison, Rosa Rio, and Mrs. House Jameson.

The 1972 convention was held at the Howard Johnson in New Britain. Personalities present were Raymond Edward Johnson, William Spier, Evie Juster, Mary Jane Higby, Charles Michelson, Jackson Beck, Peg Lynch, Roger Bower, and Richard Dana.

The following convention took place at the Holiday Inn in Meriden. Jack Pearl and Peter Donald received the William Spier Award given in memory of William Spier. Others present were Will Jorden, Jackson Beck, Raymond Edward Johnson, Peg Lynch, and Evie Juster.

The Howard Johnson in Milford hosted the 1974 convention. The William Spier Award was presented to Hyman Brown and Sam Digges. Other notables present were Mandel Kramer, Raymond Edward Johnson, and Will Jorden.

The Park Plaza in New Haven was the scene of the fifth convention. Awards were presented to Anne Elstner, Staats Cotsworth, Rosa Rio, and Irene Wicker.

A return to the Meriden Holiday Inn for the 1976 and 1977 conventions, this time under new sponsorship—the Friends of Old-Time Radio. The convention had gained wide acclaim and the notables present at both conventions were too numerous to list.

