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# September 20, 2019 Engelbert Humperdinck

# November 15, 2019 Richard Chamberlain

Luncheon Photos by Roxanne Schorbach (Schorbach.com)



On the Engelbert Humperdinck dais: (front row, left to right): comedienne JO ANNE WORLEY, HMP President "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY, honoree ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK, music executive RON ALEXENBURG, Senior Director and Manager Capitol Studios PAULA SALVATORE (back row) actor and singer JAMES DARREN, engineer and album producer GUSTAVO BORNER, comic JOHNNY DARK.



Stage, TV and screen actor and singer RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN in a personal one-on-one conversation with celebrity producer and director KAREN CADLE. Richard talked about staring in *Dr. Kildare*, a huge hit in the 1970's, and the mini series *The Thorn Birds* and *Shogun* as well as his personal life and what it meant to be a gay leading man in Hollywood.



**ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK** is interviewed in the greenroom.



MAGGIE and CHRIS THOMAS.



ARTHUR ALISI, RANDY WEST, MELINDA WISHON



Comedienne and HMP Board Member ROBERTA KENT conducted an audience Q&A with RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN.



Members of the HMP Board of Directors and our honoree: (front row) CARSON SCHREIBER, DON GRAHAM, LOIS TRAVALENA, SPIDER HARRISON, (back row) JHANI KAYE, RON ALEXENBURG, honoree ENGELBERT HUMPER-DINCK, "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY, RANDY WEST.



ADRIENNE PETTIJOHN, DEE BAKER.



Board Members DON WHITTEMORE and JOHN NEWTON.

# **Mark Your Calendars:**

Friday, March 13, 2020

A Special Celebration

"DIAMOND JUBILEE: 75 YEARS OF GAME SHOWS"

Invitations will be mailed in mid-February

# **PHOTO GALLERY**



JO ANNE WORLEY, RANDY WEST, JAMES DARREN, DON GRAHAM, "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY, CARSON SCHREIBER.



Past President CHUCK STREET and member HARRISON HELD with Airtel bartender WHITNEY BAIN showing off his special creations: Engelbert's Love Drink and the Moondoggie Milkshake.



"SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY, JO ANNE WORLEY.



PAULA SALVATORE, DARIUS CAMPO, RON ALEXENBURG.



ENGELBERT, JHANI KAYE, "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY.



Honoree **RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN**, known for his many performances on Broadway, surprises HMP Senior Vice President B**IANCA PINO** by singing a ballad to her.



**DAWN WELLS,** who played Mary Ann Summers on *Gilligan's Island,* is greeted by HMP Executive Vice President **RON ALEXENBURG.** 



Honoree RICHARD CHAMBER-LAIN graciously remained after the luncheon to sign autographs, this one for SPIDER HARRISON.



"SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY with talk and game show host SARAH PURCELL. Her credits include *The Home Show, Real People*, and *A.M. Los Angeles* with **REGIS PHILBIN**.



Chairman of the Board JEANNE DeVIVIER BROWN with Past President CHUCK SOUTHCOTT and correspondent for The Tolucan, MARGIE BARRON.



HMP executives and board members with our honoree: (front row) BILL DEFOI, "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY, RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN, RANDY WEST, RON ALEXENBURG. (back row) CARSON SCHREIBER, CHUCK STREET, LOIS TRAVALENA, ROBERTA KENT, BIANCA PINO.

## IN THE NEWS

Two-Time Grammy winning vocalist/pianist **DIANE SCHUUR** has been working at Music People Rancho Mirage Recording Studio with some friends who happen to also be first class musi-



WINK MARTINDALE, KATHARINE "KAT" KRAMER, JAMES DARREN, Past President ALAN PERRIS.

cians. Grammy winning saxophonist ERNIE WATTS (pictured
with Diane at left) will be co-producing the album with Schuur.
Watts will be lending his signature tenor and soprano sax solos.
Also tracking is guitarist THOM
ROTELLA, trumpet player KYE
PALMER, bassist BRUCE LETT
and drummer KENDALL KAY.
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The singer has chosen music to interpret from MILES DAVIS to PAUL SIMON to CAROLE KING and has been focusing on the condition of the world and picked songs that make a statement about "what is" and also included songs of hope about "what can be." According to Schuur, "I'm doing some blues, some straight-ahead jazz and a few tunes I have always loved that don't fit a category." The CD title is *Running On Faith* and will be released on May 8, 2020 by Jazzheads Music Group.

PATRIKA DARBO has been busy. She filmed Vinyl Child and then played a nun in the film LouLou, rode in the Hollywood Christmas parade, filmed new digital series Studio City and Aunt Sissy, filmed Day's of Our Lives digital series, and the new series 911 Lone Star with ROB LOWE.





New member DON DAVIS says, "President 'SHOTGUN TOM' and I first worked together 50 years ago at KACY radio in Port Hueneme. I'm excited to join Tom at the luncheons and meet new and old friends as a member of the group." (Don's bio is on the back page.)

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## IN THE NEWS

BILL A. JONES sings Love Songs and More, Valentine's weekend at MICHAEL FEIN-STEIN's supper club in Studio City. He'll be accompanied by six top musicians known as The A Players and Bill's special guest will be his talented daughter SAMANTHA. Bill's been named one of L.A.'s Best Male Cabaret/Concert Artists and one reviewer said "... you do not want to miss him." The last time Bill appeared at Vitello's, it was a sell out. Tickets



for Saturday, February 15th are now available at www.feinsteinsatvitellos.ticketfly.com.

WALDEN HUGHES, board member of the Society To Preserve and Encourage Radio Drama, Variety and Comedy (SPERDVAC) would like to invite HMP members to attend their next event. The old time radio recreation will take place on Saturday, March 14 at the Tibor Ruben VA Medical Center in Long Beach. GREGG OPPENHEIMER is directing episodes of *Ethel and Albert, Richard Diamond*, and *My Friend Irma*. Actors will include TOMMY COOK, STUFFY SINGER, IVAN CURRY, and BEVERLY WASHBURN.



TV game show veteran RANDY WEST has been touring casino showrooms with MATT KING in live performances of *Game Show Extravaganza*, giving away \$50,000 cash at each event. During December, they hit Memphis with model CRYSTAL SPARKS (pictured left) and Seattle with ANNIE WOOD. TV fans may remember Annie from her RALPH EDWARDS-STU BILLETT syndicated dating show *Bzzz!* 

**TAMMY TRUJILLO** is now the broadcast media coordinator for KCSN/Cal State Northridge. She's working with the student broadcasters to perfect their news writing, reporting, and anchoring skills for their five daily newscasts and their podcasts. *Talks with John* has won another award - a Platinum Marcom Award. It's their second international award this year.

**DEE BAKER** would like to encourage members to support the Wildworks Wildlife Care and Education Center. They are being forced to move the 50 wild animals they care for from Topanga Canyon. To find out more about the organization and their programs, go to www.NatureOfWildWorks.org.

# **COFFE**E WITH **IIMMY** WELDON



On Saturday, September 20, Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters sponsored a one-on-one interview with legendary kid's TV host, author, and inspirational motivational speaker JIMMY WELDON. The event, moderated by talk show host and journalist MATTHEW WORLEY, featured a conversation with Jimmy about his long career. Jimmy was the voice of Yakky Doodle on Hanna-Barbara's The Yogi Bear Show and Webster Webfoot.



**JIMMY WELDON** with Webster Webfoot and Yakky Doodle.

On November 17th, HMP Secretary **DAVID DOW** rappelled down the 25-story Universal Hilton building as part of a *Leap for Homelessness* benefit for the Union Rescue Mission, which shelters, feeds, and otherwise serves 1,300 men, women and families every day/night. David's been the Mission's board chair for 14 years. Participants in the event had to raise at least \$1,000 for the "privilege" of rappelling



down the building. At \$1, David was not the eldest to do so. The two-day event raised more than \$400,000 for services to our fellow residents experiencing homelessness.

DON RICHARDS operates a computer business and has been providing services to individuals and businesses for over 25 years. Clients of Don's company, Bytes & PC's, have included WALDEN HUGHES, LARRY and JOHN GASSMAN, and FRANK and BOBBIE BRESEE. Don says, "I know that people in this industry respect their privacy and it is often hard to find a good computer and technical contact." He has been highly recommended by Chicago Magazine and was featured in the Daily News. Don's phone number is 661-299-9191 and his website is www.bytesandpcs.com.

LORRAINE HILLMAN participated in an event about the



KATHARINE "KAT" KRAMER (r) holds the award she won in September for her role in *Turnover* at the Love International Film Festival. Kat celebrated with her mother, KAREN SHARP.



Actor **P.J. OCHLAN** won two Voice Arts Awards in November (one for his 28.5 hour narration of Dostoevsky's *The Adolescent*). The honors were presented by SOVAS (Society of Voice Arts and Sciences).

25th anniversary of the **O.J. SIMPSON** murder case. She was joined by KCBS/KCAL reporter **DAVE LOPEZ** and retired LAPD Detective **TOM LANGE**, the lead detective on the Simpson case. NewsGeezers, a group of SoCal journalists, held the event and Lorraine signed copies of her book, *Lifetime of News*, in which she wrote about the Simpson criminal and civil trials.

After covering Hollywood for 47 years for KCBS and KNBC, four of **DAVID SHEEHAN**'s specials are now being streamed on Amazon.com. *And the Winners Are, Hollywood's Leading Ladies,* and *Macho Men of the Movies* feature David's interviews with **TOM HANKS, JULIA ROBERTS, CLINT EASTWOOD**, and many others. Also streaming is *Pippin*, a re-staging of **BOB FOSSE**'s Tony award-winning Broadway musical, which David produced and booth directed.

DOUG KRIEGEL (see his bio on the back page) says, "I spent 31 years as a reporter at NBC4 News. I'm now doing freelance reporting for PBS SoCal and Spectrum News One. I went to one HMP luncheon, it was fun meeting lots of new friends."



**CHRISTOPHER ALLPORT** composed the music and wrote the lyrics for an album entitled *Arise Awake O Christmas Day*, an orchestra/choral collection performed by the Hollywood Chamber Orchestra and the Tim Davis Choir. It's available on Apple, Amazon, and YouTube.



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## We Welcome Our NEW MEMBERS

GENE BEDNARCHIK began his 20-year career in 1991 on a Firehouse Chiefs news special on KNBC-TV. As a member of the L.A. Fire Department, Gene appeared on radio and TV discussing fire safety, and on-scene analysis of structure fires, brush fires, and EMS incidents. In 2014, he hosted a YouTube special on fireworks safety. He is still active at LAFD Battalion 2 Headquarters. Gene is sponsored by STEVE ABRAMSON.

RICHARD d'ANDREA started his career in 1974 as a radio recording engineer and spent the last 20 years as a musician and composer. He's worked as a computer graphics programmer for the American Federation of Musicians, Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services, and the Michael Ochs archives. Richard is sponsored by HMP Board Member SPIDER HARRISON.

DOUG BRUCKNER spent 49 years working in TV starting in news in 1965 and moved to KNBC-TV as a news reporter in 1980. He's been at *Hard Copy* as a correspondent, director, and producer and was writer/producer for *World's Most Amazing Videos* and *Extra*. He produced *Shockwave* and *Haunted History* and the documentary *Discovering the Rolling Stones* for the History Channel. SHERMAN WEISS is sponsoring Doug.

DON DAVIS began his 47-year radio career at KACY in Oxnard as an announcer and D.J. In 1966, he became an account executive with the station, by 1976 he was sales manager, and in 1976, Don was managing partner. In 1980 he was managing partner at KARM in Fresno and in 1986 at KDDB/KRRL in Paso Robles. From the early 1990's to 2008, Don was regional sales manager at KFRB in Riverside and is sponsored by President "SHOTGUN TOM" KELLY.

MARCY GOLDMAN's acting career spans 41 years in film, TV, and theater. She began in 1968 in Chicago performing in equity dinner theaters and had selected roles in *Gypsy, Family Secrets,* and *Bye, Bye Birdie.* On TV, she co-starred in over 20 shows including *Will & Grace, Boston Legal, 9-1-1, West Wing, Friends,* and appeared in front of the movie camera in *Airplane, Naked Gun 3,* and *House Bunny.* HMP Board Member **STEVE OBER** is Marcy's sponsor.

Reporter, writer, and producer **DOUG KRIEGEL** started his 40-year career at KPIX-TV in San Francisco and was a political reporter at KXTV in Sacramento. By 1978, he'd moved to L.A. where he worked as a reporter for KNBC-TV. In 2010, he spent a year at KEYT in Santa Barbara and another year with Sports Net L.A. as a history reporter with the Dodgers. Today, Doug is working on two projects, one for PBS SoCal as executive producer and host of the Emmy-winning *The Drive-By Economist*, and the other for Spectrum News 1 as reporter/producer for original short documentaries. **SHERMAN WEISS** is sponsoring Doug.

**DANN MOSS** is a producer, entertainment attorney, personal manager, and senior executive. He was founder of several award-winning video production companies including Paramount Home TV, Windham Hill, Pioneer, Mitsubishi, and Image Entertainment, and created a *Video Album* series for Tapestry Video. Last year, Dann produced

Israel 70: Israel's 70th Anniversary Gala, a two-hour TV special. Dann was president and co-founder of www.inshop.com, a website and phone service for consumers. Currently, Dann heads up The Carpe Diem Group, LLC Management and Production Company. HMP Executive Vice President RON ALEXENBURG is sponsoring Dann.

Senior Vice President **BIANCA PINO** and Board Member **LOIS TRAVALENA** are sponsoring **LEE NEWMAN**, the grandson of famed comedian **EDDIE CANTOR** and composer **JIMMY McHUGH**. Lee began his career at the age of 7, acting in *Every Little Crook and Nanny*, and spent 25 years in radio and TV. Lee played the role of Oblio in Harry Nilsson's musical *The Point* and appeared in episodes of *USA HIGH* and *Diagnosis Murder*. As a singer, Lee's version of his grandfather's song *I Can't Give You Anything But Love Baby*, is heard over the credits of the film *Wilber Falls*. Today he leads Jimmy McHugh Music.

SHELLY PAPADOPOULOS worked on film documentaries for 19 years during which she produced *The Greeks of Southern California Through the Century and Beyond,* the award-winning *The Pioneers* 1900-1942, and *Pioneers* 1940-1960. In 2015, she was executive producer of *The New Greek Americans* 1960-2018. Today, Shelly is president of the Greek Heritage Society of Southern California. MIKE SAKELLARIDES is sponsoring Shelly.

TAMMY SCHER began acting in the 1978 film *Spit On Your Grave*, which was directed, produced, written, and edited by her father, MEIR ZARCHI. She had a recurring role in 2018. Tammy has the been an art dealer for celebrities including: SYLVESTER STALLONE, VAL KILMER, DONNA SUMMER, and ELKE SOMMER, among others. She co-founded a performing arts charter high school in Van Nuys titled Champs and she is board chair of the Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce. HMP Board Member CARSON SCHREIBER is sponsoring Tammy.

KIM PUMMILL TALON has a career in administration with over 27 years in radio and 1 ½ years in TV. She started in the early 1980's working at KMEN/KGGI as a traffic assistant, then moved to Thousand Oaks and became traffic manager at KNJO. Kim spent time in TV at KTIE as traffic manager and in 1997, she was traffic and business manager in Oxnard at KDAR radio, then moved to join the Salem Media Group. Today she is senior manager of Corporate AR Services and Traffic Hub.

New member **DON DAVIS** is sponsoring Kim.

DOUG WALKER began a long acting career by appearing at the age of 12 in commercials for Campbell's Soup and Dr. Pepper. He's appeared in several movies, including *Line of Fire* with CLINT EASTWOOD, *Face/Off* with NICOLAS CAGE and JOHN TRAVOLTA, *Air Force One* with HARRISON FORD, and several JACKIE CHAN movies. On TV, Doug appeared in *The Nanny*. Board Member ROBERTA KENT is his sponsor.

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