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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING



President CHARLES E. MERGENTIME receives gavel from retiring President JOHN D. SAUNDERS at Annual Business Meeting & Dinner.

THE FORTY-SIXTH Annual Business Meeting and Dinner of The Moles was held on May 2, 1984 at The New York Hilton in New York City. After a one-hour cocktail reception, a delicious beef dinner was served by the amiable Hilton staff. Immediately after dinner, President John D. Saunders greeted the members for the last time as President of The Moles. Welcoming the two-hundred-forty who were present, he read regrets from those who could not attend.

President Saunders, asked for a moment of silence as he read the list of those members who had past away since the last Annual Business Meeting. He introduced the new members elected at the April 3rd Executive

Committee Meeting. 24 of the 26 were in attendance. Photos of those in attendance appear on pages 4 and 5 along with brief bios of all 26.

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THE MOLES'

CLAMBAKE

TUESDAY AUG. 7

Still considered one of the best summer outings in the area, The Moles' Annual Clambake will be held at Travers Island in Pelham, New York on Tuesday, August 7.

ROGER LUDLAM, Chairman of the Program Committee assured us all that his committee will attempt to make this a "fun-filled day" for all. No matter what your choice; good food, beverages, conviviality, tennis, swimming, sun bathing, softball and other competitive outdoor field activities.

He warns, however, that seating is limited at Travers Island, the summer clubhouse of the New York Athletic Club, and if you want tickets you had best get your request in early.

Registration begins at 11 a.m. and continues to 6 p.m. A buffet lunch including steamers will be available from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Swimming and Tennis are available and included in the price of your ticket. There will be a "Wheel of Fortune" drawing at 2:30 p.m. and again at 4:30 p.m. It will be to your advantage to try your luck at either or both of these drawings. Door prizes will be drawn that evening after Dinner which includes melon, filet of beef, lobster tail, potato, broiled tomato, dessert and coffee.

A seven inning Softball Game will be played starting at 3 p.m. If you want to play or sponsor a guest to play, please advise us at The Moles' office.

Come on out! Invite a friend or two and enjoy a full day of fun-filled activity; — Or just sitting under the shade trees chatting with your colleagues and friends. This is where it's at so — "Be There"!

ANNUAL MEETING

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Treasurer were submitted as well as from the Chairmen of the various Committees. JACK T. WALLE retiring Secretary received a past Secretary's Certificate for three years of dedicated service. (photo on page 6) and DANIEL M. LAZAR received a Life Member's certificate after forty years a member of The Moles. (photo on page 3)

Chairman of the Committee on Elections, MELVIN FEBESH reported that the committee comprised of himself, JIM GOULD and BOB HILL had met, tallied the ballots and indicated the entire slate as nominated was elected. President Saunders introduced the Trustees and new Officers. Trustees for a three year term are: KEVIN CRIMMINS, EDWIN L. JONES, SHERWOOD E. LILES, III and ROGER LUDLAM. New Officers for the 1984/85 year are: W. A. MILBURY, Sergeant-at-Arms; CHARLES W. EDGAR, Secretary; JAMES C. ARMITAGE, Treasurer; S. S. GREENFIELD, Second Vice President; ROBERT S. GATES, First Vice President and CHARLES E. MERGENTIME, President.

At this point the retiring President handed the gavel to the new President and in turn the new President presented the retiring President with a past President's certificate and pin.

The retiring President, JOHN D. SAUNDERS responded, "I'm not going to make a long speech but obviously, I am going to tell you how much I have enjoyed serving as your President this past year. It has been a wonderful experience for me, I have been in close contact with so many members. I've met some I did not know before and renewed and strengthened old acquaintances."

The meeting was turned over to the new President, CHARLES E. MERGENTIME, who responded "I want to acknowledge my sincere appreciation, it pleases me to be elected as your President." "Life", President Mergentime continued "is full of changes, but one of the great things about this association of fine men is that it has not changed in its 46 years, we still adhere to the principals which have been established by the founding members and carry out the traditions which have been so successful for so many years. That is why this association is so successful and why I hope to continue its traditions."

Before adjourning the meeting, President Mergentime introduced the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen who would serve for the ensuing year. A complete listing of all the standing committees appears in this issue.


PRESIDENT APPOINTS COMMITTEES 1984-85

President, CHARLES E. MERGENTIME has appointed the following members to serve on the five standing committees for the ensuing year.

MEMBERSHIP — J. RICH STEERS, J. Rich Steers, Inc., CHAIRMAN and ROBERT G. LENZ, Moretrench American Corp., VICE CHAIRMAN. Other members of the committee are: WARREN H. ANDERSON, Mueser, Rutledge, Johnston & DeSimone; CLAES G. BJORK, Skanska, Inc.; JOSEPH J. DIEHL, Mergentime Corporation; BERNARD A. GRAND, Slattery Associates, Inc.; ALBERT J. MAIORANO, Walsh Construction Company; BERNARD P. MONAHAN, William L. Crow Construction Company; JOHN W. MORRIS, J. W. Morris, Ltd.; and GEORGE B. SEARLE, I. A. Construction Corp.

PROGRAM — ROGER J. LUDLAM, S. J. Groves & Sons Company, CHAIRMAN and FRANK GREGORY, Warren George Inc., VICE CHAIRMAN. Other members of the committee are: WILLIAM L. ACKER, III, Acker Drill Co., Inc.; MORRIS BLITSTEIN, Slattery Associates, Inc.; V. B. DiGIORGIO, Urban Foundation Co., Inc.; JOHN F. DONOHOE, Moretrench American Corp.; JOHN J. DOUGHERTY, JR., Dougherty Foundation Products, Inc.; A. J. ELY, MacLean Grove & Company, Inc.; ROBERT C. KOCH, J. Rich Steers Inc.; JOHN L. KOLAYA, Thomas Crimmins Contracting Co.; and DONALD S. MINER, Mergentime Corporation.

EDUCATION — MELVIN FEBESH, Urban Foundation Co., Inc., CHAIRMAN and EDMUND M. BURKE, Mueser, Rutledge, Johnston & DeSimone assists as VICE CHAIRMAN. Other members of the committee are: JOSEPH D. D'ANNUNZIO, D'Annunzio Bros., Constructors Corp.; J. MARSHALL DEAN, Mergentime Corporation; ROBERT C. FRIBERG, Andrew Catapano Co., Inc.; LEO M. HALLEY, The Port Authority of NY and NJ; JEROME P. HILL, S. J. Groves & Sons Company; RUDI van LEEUWEN, Spencer, White & Prentis Inc.; and ALFRED G. WARD, Walsh Construction Company.

FINANCE — CARL E. BUCKLEY, Buckley, Treacy, Schaffel, Mackey & Abbate is the CHAIRMAN. He is assisted by: G. W. GILFILLAN, Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc.; ELMER B. ISAAK, URS Company Inc.; JAMES E. MAHON, Walsh Construction Company; ALFRED MUSCARI, Peter Kiewit Sons' Company; and ELMER A. RICHARDS, Mueser, Rutledge, Johnston & DeSimone. 

Forty Years Remembered ...

A letter from DAN LAZAR expressing his thanks for the Forty Year Certificate presented by JOHN D. SAUNDERS on May 2nd (photo on page 3) was received at The Moles' office the other day. We thought we should share it.

"Thank you for my Fortieth Year Certificate presented at the last meeting. It was a moving moment for me. As you said, Johnnie, forty years in the construction business is a long time, principally because of the change in the Industry and its personalities."

"I attended the first Moles' Award Dinner when Bob Moses and Jack MacDonald were the recipients and have only missed one since. Arthur Johnson, Ray Spooner, Thomas Crimmins, Tom Scott (the longest acceptance), Carlton Proctor, George Ferris, Harvey Slocum (the shortest acceptance), bring back memories of early giants of the Industry."

"The war years and post-war years brought to our Award Dinners. Admirals, Generals, and even a former President of our Country."

"The other night, our new President, CHARLES MERGENTIME spoke of The Moles tradition and stated that he would continue it. What is it? An entire membership of wonderful men bound together by mutual interests in a challenging business and enjoying it to the hilt. Today's members carry on the tradition of the early leaders of the Industry."

• WILLIAM A. DURKIN, JR. has been named Executive Vice President and General Manager of Walsh Construction Company. Also ALBERT J. MAIORANO was elevated to Vice President of that firm.

• RUDI van LEEUWEN has been named Executive Vice President of Spencer, White & Prentis.

COMMITTEES (Continued)

PUBLICITY — MICHAEL J. UCCL, AMCA International Corp., CHAIRMAN and STUART H. BARTHOLOMEW, S. H. Bartholomew Inc., is VICE CHAIRMAN. Others serving on the committee are: STANLEY M. ARONIN, Certified Concrete Co.; FRED A. REIF, Perini Corporation; GEORGE J. TAMARO, JR., Mueser, Rutledge, Johnston & DeSimone; JACK T. WALLE, Thomas Crimmins Contracting Co.; HERBERT WASSERMAN, Slattery Associates, Inc.; and GEORGE ZIEGLER, New York City Transit Authority.



DAN LAZAR receives Life Membership from JOHN D. SAUNDERS.

ANOTHER HONOR FOR NADEL

NORMAN A. NADEL, 1982 President of The Moles and President of MacLean Grove and Company, Inc., received the Benjamin Wright Award at the May 3rd meeting of the Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers, section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Norman has received other honors over the years most recently as reported in April 1983 issue of *Holing Through*, his election to the National Academy of Engineering for "engineering improvements in underground construction, including tunneling equipment, excavation supports and economy of performance".

MAYO HONORED BY A.S.C.E.

ROBERT S. MAYO has been elected to the grade of Honorary Member in the American Society of Civil Engineers. Bob is among the five Honorary Members elected this year and will be formally installed at the Society's Fall Meeting in San Francisco.

His illustrious career in tunneling began as a Junior Engineer on the Holland Tunnel under the Hudson River in 1924, and an Associate Engineer for the Sanitary District of Chicago on sewer tunnels in clay in 1925. The next 11 years were spent on various jobs gaining experience. In 1937 he formed his own company and developed a Worldwide business specializing in tunneling equipment. He is credited with many innovations in equipment and machinery which has improved the Art of Tunnel Construction. Throughout the world he is known and respected as a "Tunnel Stiff". Bob Mayo is a Charter Member of The Moles and one of the first to receive "Life" membership in The Moles in 1978. Only three hundred some odd persons have attained Honorary Membership in the ASCE to date. Excerpt from the Society's Constitution states: "An Honorary Member shall be a person who shall have attained acknowledged eminence in some branch of engineering or in the arts and sciences related thereto."

JOHN J. DOUGHERTY and PETER DAVIDSON have recently, through their respective Corporations, purchased the rights and machinery of the monotube pile under a jointly owned Corporation. The new Corporation has been named The Monotube Pile Corporation and John has been named President.

Education Committee Activities

STUDENTS' DAY

One picture is worth a thousand words. Herman Bernstein's montage of the 1984 Students' Day (page 8) certainly bears this out. The students gathered at the \$375 million New York City Convention Center where important features of the design and construction were described and the major on-going items of construction were inspected. This included the space frame roof trusses. From that site they walked to the nearby John D. Caemmerer West Side Yard and Maintenance Complex which you can see from the photo montage gave the student engineers a very interesting first-hand look at underground construction. The construction of this yard when completed (1986) is estimated to increase train traffic through Penn Station by 15/25%.

When the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Education Committee, MEL FEBESH and ED BURKE initially approached Roy Nordman, the Long Island Rail Road Project Manager on the West Side Storage Yard site, to bring the students there for the 1984 Students' Day, Roy was extremely cooperative and remembered The Moles 1962 Students' Day trip to the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge which he attended while he was still a student engineer. That's Roy today, in the center of the montage on page 8.

STUDENT AWARDS

On May 1, 1984 The Moles entered the 11th year of the Student Award Program. Thus far, Awards have been given for the 1984/85 year to the following: Peter Alley, Rutgers University; Emily Landau, Columbia University; William T. Ziemann, Cornell University; Steven Redmond, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Joy Gallione, The Cooper Union; James Lawler, Fairleigh Dickinson University; Osvaldo Priotti, Union College; Paul A. Hutchinson, Princeton University; and Edward A. Selvaggio and Scott R. Spittal shared as recipients from SUNY at Farmingdale.

JOHN KOLAYA of Thomas Crimmins Contracting Company recently presented the 1983/84 Student Award to Manhattan College recipient, Victor Ciancetta at an ASCE Student Chapter Meeting held on campus. EUGENE KELLEY of Gates Construction represented The Moles at New Jersey Institute of Technology's Annual Award Dinner held at the Town & Campus in West Orange, New Jersey presenting their recipient, Alan Slaughter with The Moles' 1983/84 Student Award.

RICHARD J. REDMOND, Vice President, MacLean Grove & Company Inc., has been "walking tall" these days. His son Steven received The Moles Student Award at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at graduation exercises.



Francis M. Keville, Joseph Lovece, Jr., Ival R. Cianchette, Mason H. Lampton, Jan E. Snickers, Charles C. Heid, Harold V. McKittrick, Richard E. Burnham, Paul A. Praderio, William J. Durden, J. Edward Jacobsen.

NEW MEMBERS

GEORGE R. BARLOW, JR., is Eastern Division Engineer for Morrison-Knudsen's Heavy and Marine Group. Starting out in the Boise office in 1963, Riley is currently assigned to M-K's Eastern Office in Norwalk, Connecticut. He has had field assignments ranging from field engineer to project engineer, assistant project manager and project manager since 1967 on many of the firm's major projects. A civil engineering graduate from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Riley remembers attending meetings The Moles held during the late 50s to encourage college students to enter the construction field. His father has been a long standing member now retired from M-K living in California.

RICHARD E. BURNHAM is Senior Consultant for the professional construction consultant firm, T.J. Trauner Associates headquartered in Philadelphia, Pa. Rick earned a B.A. in Economics from Georgetown University and a J.D., from the Villanova University School of Law. A "third generation Mole member", Rick learned construction at an early age from his dad and grandfather. Through his academic years, he worked for Peter Kiewit Sons' Co.; and has since been integrally involved in various heavy construction projects. He is currently a member of the Construction

Industry Forum Committee of the American Bar Association and an Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association.

ANTHONY S. CASERTA is Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the consulting engineering firm Singstad, Kehart, November & Hurka headquartered in New York City. He has served the firm for nearly thirty years progressing from design engineer to his current position. Tony holds a BCE and an MCE from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. While his vast experience covers most phases of heavy construction he has particular expertise in design and construction management of vehicular and railroad tunnels; and utility and rapid transit subsurface structures.

IVAL R. CIANCHETTE is Chairman of Cianbro Corporation, General Contractors headquartered in Pittsfield, Maine. The firm's projects cover the territory from Maine to Florida and consist of hydro-electric, bridges, industrial and other heavy construction. Bud Cianchette has and does serve the construction industry working in various capacities in the Associated General Contractors of America of which he was President during 1980.

WILLIAM J. DURDEN is Chief Engineer for Mergentime Corporation headquartered in Flemington, New Jersey. Bill earned his Bachelor's de-

gree in Civil Engineering from City College of New York and his Master's from Polytechnic Institute of New York. For Mergentime he has designed some of the firm's most intricate projects including their portion of the Philadelphia Commuter Rail Connection. His innovative solutions to difficult problems on major tunnels, dams, power plants and large structure underpinning has earned him an enviable reputation in the industry.

JOSEPH F. FOX is Vice President and General Construction Manager for The Conduit & Foundation Corporation. The firm's work includes tunnels, foundations, dams, highways, airports, treatment plants and other heavy construction. Joe is a 1960 graduate of the New Jersey Institute of Technology where he earned his BS in Civil Engineering. He is active in the Associated General Contractors of America on both the N.J. Chapter and National level.

ALLAN J. GALE is Secretary-Treasurer for the Thomas Crimmins Contracting Company. He has a Civil Engineering Degree from Pennsylvania Military College which he earned in 1956. Allan served as a Rodman for the firm during the summer while attending college. Since then he has worked on almost every phase of heavy construction including foundations, drilled in caissons, rockwork, underpinning, and has handled estimating, negotiation of sub contracts and major supplier contracts.



Willard M. Sweetser, Jr., Martin A. Schlam, Joseph F. Fox, Arturo Ressi, Gennaro Liguori, George R. Barlow, Jr., Charles C. Noble, John W. Loviza, Dennis C. McCarry, Reymond L. Norlund, Mark M. Stokes, Allan J. Gale, Anthony S. Caserta.

ROY H. GORDON is Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer for Gibbs & Hill, Inc., a firm specializing in the design and construction of electric generating plants and transportation systems. He holds both Bachelor and Master degrees in Mechanical Engineering which he earned from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. Prior to joining Gibbs & Hill in 1974, he served as President of Walter Kidde Constructors and held various positions with Ebasco Services, Inc., for twenty five years. He is a registered professional engineer in six states.

CHARLES C. HEID is Manager, Construction Planning and Manpower Development for C.E. Lummus. Admiral Heid joined Lummus after a distinguished thirty year career with the U.S. Navy, Civil Engineer Corps where he was involved in major construction projects worldwide. He holds Bachelors and Masters degrees in Civil Engineering which he earned at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

J. EDWARD JACOBSEN is Project Manager for Case International Company headquartered in Roselle, Illinois. The firm is a specialty foundation contractor. Ed has been involved in all areas of specialty underground construction including circulation drilling, rock drilling, slurry walls, slurry cut-off trenches, sheeting, shoring and tie back anchors. He earned his Civil Engineering degree in 1960 from the University of Wisconsin and is a registered professional engineer in the state of Illinois.

FRANCIS M. KEVILLE is Director of Construction for the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. He holds a Civil Engineering Degree from Northeastern University. In the position he presently holds he is responsible for the Authority's multi billion dollar rapid transit expansion program involving cut and cover, bore tunnels, sunken tube stations, rail, slurry walls and practically every type of construction challenge in a major transit project in congested city environments. He has a solid background in heavy construction with some twenty-odd years with public agencies in the Boston area.

MASON H. LAMPTON is President and Chief Operating Officer of The Hardaway Company headquartered in Columbus, Georgia. The ninety-year old firm has specialized in road, bridge and marine construction and heavy civil projects such as power plants, locks and dams and earthmoving. Mason has put together many joint ventures with major construction firms in this country and abroad and has followed these projects to a successful completion.

GENNARO LIGUORI is Second Vice President, Construction, Schiavone Construction Co., headquartered in Secaucus, New Jersey. Gerry currently is in responsible charge of eight major projects the firm has under construction in New York City. Prior to joining Schiavone, Gerry had extensive experience with Slattery on projects involving highways, bridges, pipelines, building foundations and subway construction.

JOSEPH LOVECE, JR., is President of North Star Contracting Corp., in New Rochelle, New York. He has been engaged in heavy construction for over thirty years, originally as a journeyman electrician; and as a business agent for Local 3 of the Electrician's Union, before founding North Star Electric and then North Star Contracting.

JOHN W. LOVIZA is District Manager for Hercules Incorporated, headquartered in Wilmington, Delaware. His background in construction goes back over thirty years, twenty-six of which have been with Hercules. John's expertise in providing explosives and technical service to the construction and mining industry is well known and respected by a large segment of the Industry.

DENNIS C. McCARRY is a Project Manager for Guy F. Atkinson Company. He is currently assigned to the Mount Baker Ridge Tunnel in Seattle, Washington. Prior to that he was Project Manager on the \$36 million Bacon Siphon and Tunnel constructed in the Columbia Basin and the \$59 million Pacheco Tunnel in California both for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. A native of Ireland, he was educated at Manchester University in Liverpool, England. Moving to the United States in 1953, Dennis has been working on difficult major tunnel projects ever since.

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NEW MEMBERS

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HAROLD V. MCKITTRICK is President of the management consultant firm McKittrick and Associates Inc., serving heavy construction contractors with the preparation of bids and estimates; evaluation and preparation of claims; and studies and evaluations of proposed corporate ventures. Prior to the formation of McKittrick and Associates, Hal was twenty years with the Perini Corporation. During that period he managed difficult subway and deep foundation work for the firm. Hal holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an M.S. in Structural Engineering from Northeastern University.

PETER J. NICHOLSON is President of Nicholson Construction Company. The firm has offices in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania and Atlanta, Georgia and does specialty foundation work with emphasis on foundation construction of roads, dams, bridges, waterfront facilities, etc. Peter has developed new and innovative methods for the installation of high capacity rock and soil anchors, for the use of micro piles for earth retaining structures and for special underpinning applications. A Civil Engineer graduate of Notre Dame, he has presented a number of technical papers at national technical seminars and conferences.

CHARLES C. NOBLE is President and Chief Operating Officer of the C.T. Main Corporation a leading engineering-construction company worldwide. After a brilliant military career he retired in 1974 with the rank of Major General. A distinguished member of the National Academy of Engineering, General Noble is a fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Consulting Engineers Council and the Society of American Military Engineers. He is a member of the Permanent International Association of Navigation Congress (PIANC) and the United States Committee on Large Dams. He holds a BS in Civil Engineering from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and a Masters from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

REYMOND L. NORDLUND is President of Spencer, White & Prentiss Inc. Before joining SW&P Rey was Vice President and Chief Engineer for Franki Foundation Company. He has many years experience in heavy construction especially foundation construction. He holds a B.A.S.C. from the University of British Columbia; and an M.S., University of Texas; and in 1956 he earned his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois.

PAUL A. PRADERIO has spent his entire adult life in heavy construction. He currently serves Perini Corporation as Manager, Special Projects Division. For the almost twenty years Paul has been with Perini he has risen to his current position through Estimator, Project Engineer, and Project Manager positions. Just prior to his becoming Division Manager he was Project Manager for Perini Power Constructors on the Seabrook Nuclear Power Station in New Hampshire, a two unit plant where Perini was responsible for all the concrete rebar, structural steel, circulating water piping, etc. His current responsibilities include managing estimating and construction on power plants, sewage and water treatment plants, locks and dams, etc. He holds a Civil Engineering Degree from the University of Maine which he earned in 1949.

ARTURO L. RESSI, Executive Vice President of ICOS Corporation of America, foundation specialists, holds a Doctorate in Civil Engineering from the University of Bologna in Italy. After graduation he was employed by ICOS in Italy spending several years in Italy and Canada. In 1966 he was assigned to work as Field Engineer on the construction of the slurry walls for the World Trade Center. In 1968 ICOS Corporation of America was formed; a New York Office opened; and Arturo was made General Manager. He was responsible for the development of the corporation from its formative stages in 1968 to its present position as the major slurry wall constructor in the United States. He has been at the forefront of slurry wall development and use in the United States through some

of the largest, deepest and most complex foundation projects in the United States, Canada and overseas.

MARTIN A. SCHLAM, General Manager, Northern Division of Buckley & Company, Inc., holds a Civil Engineering Degree from Columbia University. He has held increasingly responsible positions in the past with Peter Kiewit Sons' Company, Horn Construction and others. He became affiliated with Buckley & Company in the early 1970's first as Chief Engineer, then as Area Manager responsible for work in New York, North Jersey, the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean Islands. He has a broad background in heavy construction.

JAN E. SNICKARS is Vice President and Manager of Peter Kiewit Sons' Company, Eastern Marine District. Jan has been with the firm since graduating from college in 1970. In his current position he is responsible for all marine work performed by Kiewit in the Great Lakes and on the East Coast. He has steadily progressed through the positions of Office Engineer on the 63rd St. Tube & Tunnel to Project Manager on such projects as St. Lucie Subaqueous Pipe Line in Florida and the Dike Disposal Area at Cleveland, Ohio.

MARK M. STOKES is Vice President and Chief Engineer for C.J. Langenfelder & Son Inc. He holds a Civil Engineering Degree from Johns Hopkins University which he earned in 1949. While still in college, Mark worked summers on construction projects. Except for four years service with the United States Air Force he has spent all of



JACK T. WALLE (right) receives citation for three years service as Secretary of The Moles 1981-83 from **JOHN D. SAUNDERS**.

- The Baltimore Public Works Museum plans an exhibit tracing the career of ABEL WOLMAN, often termed the dean of environmental engineering. "The Livable City: Dr. Abel Wolman and the Continuing Work of the Engineer" opened on June 4th and examines Dr. Wolman's impact on Public health, water resources management and sanitary engineering and highlights his seventy-year career. Dr. Wolman is an Honorary Member of The Moles and was principal speaker at the 1960 Award Dinner.

- SAL V. DeSIMONE, 1981 President of The Moles, and a Partner in the consulting engineering firm of Mueser, Rutledge, Johnston & DeSimone has retired due to ill health as of March 31, 1984. A member of The Moles since 1967 he had been with MRJ&D since 1948 serving in various capacities. He directed many of the firm's largest foundation and marine projects.

- BATES C. BURNELL has been elevated to the post of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Morrison-Knudsen International Company, the wholly owned subsidiary that performs most of M-K's overseas work. Prior to this General Burnell was Vice President of Management Services. He joined the Company in 1979 following his retirement as Deputy Chief of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. A 1945 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point he holds a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He retired after 34 years of distinguished service with the Corps with the rank of Major General.

NEW MEMBERS (Continued)

his adult life in construction. Joining Langenfelder in 1955 he has steadily progressed from Field Engineer, Office Engineer, Field Superintendent, Estimator and Project Manager to the position he currently holds.

WILLARD M. SWEETSER, Jr. is President of the Burns and Roe Construction Group Inc. He has been in heavy construction most of his life, spending some 16 years with Stone & Webster prior to his joining Burns and Roe. In his current position he is in charge of all construction activities of the Burns and Roe family of companies including construction for the power, industrial and aerospace industries. He holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute which he earned in 1963.

MOMENT OF SILENCE



CONRAD L. FALKIEWICZ died on April 11, 1984. He was 72.

Born in Jersey City, New Jersey, Connie began his career with Allen N. Spooner and Son, Inc., in 1939. He began as a Secretary for the firm and when the company was liquidated he was the President, the first and only non-family member to head the firm. The company was a prominent constructor of marine facilities in the metropolitan area.

Upon retirement and until his death, he was a personal financial consultant and fiduciary.

An active member of the New York Athletic Club, he was President of that organization's Knights of the Green Table and a member of the Anglers. His club interest in the English billiard game, Snooker, took him around the world to watch the professionals play Snooker. He became known in England as America's "Mr. Snooker". In 1977 he was elected Honorary Life President of the World of Professional Billiards and Snooker Association. He was co-founder of the International Snooker League, a world-wide amateur Snooker group comprised of eight teams from various countries.

Throughout his lifetime, he was a topnotch amateur photographer who exhibited his work in competitions in the United States. His interest and expertise gave him the opportunity to be the President of the Teaneck Camera Club. A number of his photographs of the New Jersey area were selected to hang at the New York World's Fair as part of that state's pavilion.

He is survived by four children, Alice, Ann, Virginia and Conrad, Jr.

John Leonard honored by N.A.E.

JOHN W. LEONARD, Vice President, Engineering of Morrison-Knudsen Company, Inc., headquartered in Boise, Idaho has recently been elected to the National Academy of Engineering.

Election to the Academy is the highest professional distinction that can be conferred on an engineer and honors those who have made important contributions to engineering theory and practice, including significant contributions to the literature of engineering, or who have demonstrated unusual accomplishments in new and developing fields of technology.

Mr. Leonard was cited for "innovative application of engineering to major construction projects, especially in the areas of mechanized tunneling, coastal, and harbor construction".

- JOHN W. MORRIS was one of two recipients of the 1984 Palladium Medals awarded jointly by the American Association of Engineering Societies and the National Audubon Society. The Palladium Medal recognizes outstanding achievements in environmental conservation. Lt. Gen. John W. Morris, U.S.A. (Ret.) who is currently President of his own managerial and marketing consultant firm in the civil engineering field, achieved distinction in his more than forty-year career with the U.S. Army. He retired several years ago as Chief of the Army Corps of Engineers. General Morris was cited "*in recognition of his exemplary leadership and dedication to the improvement, in the United States, of water resource management practices and methods to minimize environmental degradation*". He was also lauded for his "*agreement with the leaders of many nations, who have used his skills in the implementation of engineering practices which enhance the conservation of wildlife and wildlife habitat in many parts of the world.*"

- This reporter, recently chatting with 1963 President of The Moles, HOWARD G. DIXON, congratulated him on his 86th birthday which he had just celebrated. Howard told us, his paintings are still being shown (as reported in July 1980 issue) and purchased and he is quite busy with this and Civic and Church activities. Howard sings in the Church Choir but thinks it's because there is a serious shortage of tenors!

Students' Day 1984 . . .

