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SHEA and CARTY selected for 1991 Outstanding Achievement Awards



JOHN F. SHEA



GERARD J. CARTY

JOHN F. SHEA, Chairman of the Board, J. F. Shea Co., Inc., Walnut, California and GERARD J. CARTY, Senior Vice President & Chief Engineer, Walsh Construction Company, Trumbull, Connecticut, (a division of Guy F. Atkinson Company) have been selected to receive The Moles 1991 "outstanding achievement in construction" Awards at The Moles' Annual Award Dinner. The Dinner will be held on Wednesday evening, January 30, 1991 at The New York Hilton Hotel in New York City. Mr. Shea will receive the Non-Member Award and Mr. Carty, the Member Award.

JOHN F. SHEA was born September 29, 1926 in Oakland, California. He was graduated with a Bachelor's degree in civil engineering in 1949 from the University of Southern California.

After a brief stint in the Army Air Corps, he joined The Shea Co., then headed by his father, Gilbert Shea, and his uncle, Edmund H. Shea. He worked for The Shea Co., and other contractors on the Hyperion

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GERARD J. CARTY was born in NY, July 23, 1932. He was graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1953 with a Bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He immediately joined the then prominent firm of Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc. Except for two years military service in Korea with the Corps of Engineers and service at White Sands Proving Ground with the Ordnance Corps, he remained with JDP through 1967.

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John F. Shea

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Sewage System, the Cajalco Tunnel, the Big Cliff Diversion Tunnel, the Hungry Horse Dam and the Cal Trans Freeway System.

From 1956-61, John successfully supervised the 10 mile, \$40 million Clear Creek Tunnel Project near Redding, California for the Bureau of Reclamation. During this time, The Shea Co., liquidated, due to diversifying interest, and the new J. F. Shea Co., was formed in 1958 with John and his cousins, Edmund H. Jr., and Peter as principal stockholders.

In 1962, John became Project Manager for the Pit McCloud Tunnel for Pacific Gas & Electric, a \$22 million job over 11 miles long. His final "hands-on" work experience spanned four years beginning in 1965, when he was Project Manager for the \$25 million Glendora Tunnel Project for the Metropolitan Water District.

John's direction over the past 3 decades has enabled the J. F. Shea Co., Inc., to complete heavy construction projects throughout the United States totaling in excess of \$1 billion. In addition to the many heavy construction projects in the west, J. F. Shea has completed work for the Rochester Pure Water District on the Culver-Goodman Tunnel, for the city of Chicago on a \$100 million sewer tunnel, for the Bay Area Rapid Transit and for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. Work for the Bureau of Reclamation includes the Navajo Tunnel in New Mexico, the Crystal Dam in Colorado, the Buckskin Tunnel in Arizona and Vat Tunnel in Utah.

John Shea was the recipient of the Beaver Management Award in 1989; and is a Past President (1973) of the Beavers. He is a Member USC Associates, Loyola Marymount Associates; and a Knight of Malta. He and his wife reside in Pasadena, California and have three sons and five daughters.

Award Chairman



The activities of the Award Committee, composed of approximately 85 members, are in the capable hands of ELMER A. RICHARDS, serving as Chairman this year. He is assisted by THOMAS E. DAILEY, Vice Chairman, who serves as President of Perini Corporation's Construction Group based in Framingham, MA.

ELMER A. RICHARDS is a Partner in the prominent New York City based foundation engineering firm, Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers.

Elmer earned a BSCE from Lehigh University in 1951 and an MS in 1952 from Northwestern University; and is a registered Professional Engineer in many states. He joined Mueser Rutledge in 1952 and has been a Partner for the past 17 years.

He is specialized in the geotechnical aspects of design and construction of foundations, soils investigations, laboratory test interpretation, analysis of probable foundation performance, establishment of design criteria, feasibility studies and reports for all types of heavy construction on both land and water. He has been responsible for establishing foundation design criteria for numerous buildings in the New York Metropolitan area and at present is the Partner-in-Charge

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Gerard J. Carty

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At JDP he started in the Estimating Department and progressed through various field assignments. He was appointed a Vice President in 1964. During this period of his career he was involved in projects which included the West Delaware Tunnel; Cement Distribution Stations for Universal Atlas Cement and Penn Dixie Cement; 6th Avenue Subway Tunnel; Van Wyck Expressway Extension; and Gowanus Expressway Widening.

In 1968 Gerry joined Walsh Construction Company. His initial assignment with Walsh was Project Manager on an underground cable project for AT&T Long Lines, running 120 miles from Cheshire, CT to Netcong, NJ. On completion of that, he was made Project Coordinator and subsequently General Manager for a joint venture of Walsh-Blount, Singmaster and Breyer on an \$80 million contract for the design and construction of an alumina plant in Jamaica, W. I. Other projects on which Gerry worked during this period were the Silver Lake Water Storage Tanks, City Water Tunnel #3 and the Albany Mall Complex.

In 1977 Gerry became Chief Engineer of Walsh Construction Company. He was elected Vice President in 1979 and in 1990 became Senior Vice President. Projects in which he has been involved as Chief Engineer are the Chautauqua Lake Bridge superstructure, New York State; Boott Mills Hydroelectric Project, Lowell, MA; Seminole Electric Power Plant, Palatka, Florida; Caterpillar Tractor Engine Assembly Plant, Lafayette, Indiana; Hoosick Street Bridge, Troy, NY; Cline Avenue Bridge, East Chicago, Indiana; and the Hydro Kenneback Project in Waterville, ME.

In addition to his other duties, Gerry is responsible for organizing and managing Walsh's hazardous waste cleanup operations in conjunction with Atkinson's subsidiary, AWD Technologies.

Gerry is a Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers and has served

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as Chairman of the Construction Division. He also chaired a committee which updated the ASCE Construction Cost Manual. He is a member of the American Concrete Institute and the National Society of Professional Engineers. He is a Licensed Engineer in The State of NY. Since becoming a member in 1971 Gerry has served The Moles as a member of the Education Committee; Trustee; Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Publicity Committee; Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Award Committee; Second and First Vice President culminating with the Presidency in 1988. Gerry and his wife Kathleen reside in Hillsdale, NJ and are the parents of five children.

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for several Metrotech projects; a large Federal Reserve Bank complex; and the new Merck Corporate Headquarters.

Elmer has also been Partner-in-Charge of such diversified projects as: site preparation contract for a 4 million cubic yard landfill project, Fresh Creek, Brooklyn, NY; spoil containment structure for the Fort McHenry Tunnel, Baltimore, MD; the Seagirt Marine Terminal, MD; Ocean Outfall in Virginia Beach, VA; Ingleside Mall, Holyoke, MA, partially constructed over a sanitary landfill; Port of Albany Waterfront Rehabilitation, Albany, NY; West Side Highway Project, NY; Amtrak Maintenance Facility, Rensselaer, NY; a series of projects at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Plant in Aiken, SC; a synthetic natural gas plant, Linden, NJ; and others too numerous to list.

He has had extensive experience with glacial lake Albany clays through his work on the foundations for the Empire State Plaza; wastewater treatment plants and trunk sewers for the counties of Albany, Rensselaer and Saratoga; and foundations of various cement plants. His responsibilities for subsurface investigation and foundation designs for other water

ROBERT W. CLEVELAND, SR., died on his 80th birthday, August 9, 1990 suffering a stroke after a brief illness.

Bob was Chairman of H.O. Penn Machinery Co., Inc., of NY, a heavy equipment supplier, at the time of his death.

He attended Colgate University, transferring to Rutgers in 1930 where he majored in landscape architecture. He graduated in 1933 and joined the New Jersey State Highway Department as a landscape engineer. In 1935 he formed his own company, specializing in estate landscaping. His first public contract was the planting of the approaches to the Triboro Bridge. He worked on the Henry Hudson Parkway and the 1939 World's Fair before going into actual road construction. During World War II, Bob's company built the road systems for Camp Kilmer, NJ and Andrews Air Force Base in MD and did important construction at Earle Naval Base in NJ. Later the firm built two sections of the Garden State Parkway, the track at Monmouth Park, the thoroughfares around Newark Airport and the roads surrounding the Pentagon in Washington, DC.

His first association with a Caterpillar dealership was in 1948 when he formed Cleveland Brothers Equipment Co., with

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supply and wastewater treatment plants have included major installations in Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin.

As a former director of laboratory and with general responsibility for the firm's geotechnical activities, Elmer has had involvement in most of the firm's large projects during the past 38 years.

Elmer and his wife Susan are residents of Westchester County, NY and have two sons, Andrew and Peter. With his family as "crew", Elmer has been actively racing one-design sailboats throughout the USA since 1956.



his brother Royal (also a member of The Moles until his death in 1980). The company, headquartered in Harrisburg, still serves the central and northeastern sections of Pennsylvania.

In 1965 Bob returned to NYC where he was born and purchased a majority interest in H.O. Penn Machinery Co., Inc., also a Caterpillar dealership for southern New York and all of Connecticut. The company is now based in Armonk, NY and one of Bob's sons, C. E. Thomas Cleveland is President.

Active throughout his lifetime in civic affairs, in Harrisburg Bob was a member of the Chamber of Commerce; on the board of directors of Polyclinic Hospital and the Central Trust Co.; and utilized his energies in designing and raising money for the Presbyterian Apartments, a housing complex for senior citizens. In New York he was a member of Manufacturer's Hanover Bank Advisory Board, the Winged Foot Golf Club and the Presbyterian Church. Spending his winters at his home in North Palm Beach, Florida, the last 17 years; he was a member of the Lost Tree Golf club and helped found a non-denominational chapel — the Lost Tree Chapel. He was also an active volunteer at Good Samaritan Hospital.

He was a member of The Moles since 1966 and served as a Trustee (1969/71).

He is survived by his wife, Anita; two sons (both Moles) Robert W., Jr., and C. E. Thomas; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.



25 - YEAR MEMBERS



MARTIN W. BOLL was a Vice President in charge of sales and Chief Engineer of Richmond Screw Anchor Co., Inc., manufacturers of engineered tying devices, anchorages and accessories for concrete construction. After thirty nine years with the firm, Marty retired in 1971 and became a "member emeritus" of The Moles in 1974. He moved to Bethel, NY a small town in Sullivan County, famous for the Woodstock Festival some twenty years ago. Living on the Cherokee Preserve Club land, there are 35 members with over 1600 acres of forest land with 3 lakes and a trout stream. Under a program of wild life habitat improvement and forest preservation controlled by the U.S.D.A. and registered forester, deer, turkey, bear, grouse and pheasant are common to the area. Marty is able to hunt, fish, golf, walk, garden, travel and winter in Florida which makes retirement anything but boring.



HENRY GALLY's career in heavy construction dates back to 1934 when he graduated from Cornell University with a civil engineering degree. At the time he became a member of The Moles in 1965, he was a Vice President for Turner Construction Company handling their labor relations and negotiations. Hank retired in 1975 and in 1979 became a "member emeritus" having moved to Longboat Key, Florida. He has spent these retirement years enjoying golf, bowling and boating. For the past eight years he has been a member of the Longboat Florida Planning and Zoning Board six years of which he was Chairman. Appointed to fill an existing vacancy, he also spent a term as a Town Commissioner. Hank raises citrus, figs, bananas, mangos, apples, papaya and pineapples in his back yard. He is also a member of Longboat Key Golf Club and Bird Key Yacht Club.

L. J. (Jerry) CORBETTA, a forty-four year veteran in heavy construction is a son of Mole member Louis P. Corbetta; and nephew of 1970 Moles' Member Award recipient, Roger H. Corbetta. Jerry succeeded Frank Vitolo, a Past President of The Moles, as President of Corbetta Construction Company in 1976 and has been an Officer and Director of the Corbetta Companies since 1953 having joined the firm as a full time member in 1946. Founded in 1922, Corbetta Construction Company pioneered in many phases of construction both heavy and building and have worked in twenty states along with Puerto Rico and Spain. From heavy foundation work to high-rise building; from major sewage treatment structures to thin section on-site precast prestressed structures; from bridge decks to architectural precast building — this has been the core of their business. Add a bit of owner-builder activity and it can be seen, the Corbettas have been busy with the third generation now making itself evident. Recent activities in which Jerry personally has had major involvement have included Union Carbide's mammoth World Headquarters in Danbury; the 1,100 dwelling units all precast high-rise Arverne project for UDC in Rockaway and their Award winning jobs on the North River Water Pollution Control Plant on the Hudson. Corbetta has completed major work at JFK Airport for Pan Am including the World Port and several hangars. Jerry remains active on a full time basis because he says he loves the action.



HENRY HARNISCHFEGER was President of Harnischfeger Corporation, manufacturers of power cranes, hoists, shovels and other related heavy machinery, when he was elected a member of The Moles in 1965. He had held this position since 1959 when he succeeded his father. In 1970 he assumed the additional responsibility of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. After a forty five year career, Henry retired in 1986, continuing on as a Director a position he holds to this date. This prestigious company had celebrated it's 100th anniversary in 1984. When he retired as CEO and Chairman it was the last time the company's name and the Chairman's name were the same. Henry was the third generation to head the company. Today, he still travels (on a somewhat smaller scale than before); he enjoys sailing, especially the Caribbean and the Eastern shores of the USA; and he is a bicycling enthusiast.



EDWARD A. TULLY, JR., a veteran of more than forty years in heavy construction was the eldest of 5 brothers (Francis M., Gerard P., Kenneth A. and Paul) all in the business. Three are Mole members (Ed, Gerry and Ken). Ed was primarily involved in utility and civil work both in the field and later administration which included estimating, negotiating, staffing personnel, purchasing, etc. Due to ill health several years ago, Ed retired and became a "member emeritus" in September of '88. Active in The Moles, he served on the Publicity and Award Committees.

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EDWIN L. JONES, JR., was President of J.A. Jones Construction Company when he became a Mole member in 1965. In that capacity he was involved with all the firm's heavy construction work including tunnels, large dams, powerhouses, and other major projects. In 1984, upon the formation of the holding company, Edwin was elected President and Chairman of the Board of Jones Group. He held both positions until May 1985 when the position of President was filled by Johnnie Jones. Edwin remained as Chairman until May of 1986 when he retired remaining on the Board of Directors until 1989 when he became fully retired. He still keeps very busy with civic, charitable and other good works. A civil engineering graduate of Duke University and a Trustee for many years, he now serves as a "trustee emeritus". He also serves on the Dean's Committee and the Board of Visitors; the Board of Overseers for the Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center; and other Duke related activities which require his presence in Durham. He still plays some golf and a little tennis and he and his wife traveled to Switzerland, Vienna, Prague, Dresden and Berlin. This past May they visited Gardens and Castles in England, inspiring Edwin to do a better job in landscaping the new Mountain home being finished as we write. They have the most energy efficient home in Charlotte, NC and his Mountain home will be the most energy efficient in that area. (According to Edwin, the building inspector said you could heat it with a candle). Edwin especially enjoyed serving as a resource for the 100th Anniversary book published this year on the Jones companies; and of course his greatest interest is his five children and fourteen grandchildren. For The Moles, he served on the Membership Committee and later as a Trustee on the Executive Committee. He was also a member of the Award Committee.

ROBERT L. JACKSON was a Vice President of the Arundel Corporation when he became a member of The Moles. In 1967 when Arundel deleted its dredging division and sold its assets to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company and The American Dredging Company, Bob joined Great Lakes as Manager of the South Atlantic and Southern Divisions. In 1969 he moved to New Orleans to manage and expand the firm's southern division and under his management, trench excavation for the Mobile Harbor Tunnel I-10 Crossing was performed. In 1972 he was elected Vice President, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock and retired last year. During his 45 year career, Bob was responsible for hundreds of millions of cubic yards excavated by hydraulic, clamshell and dipper dredge methods. Many of the projects requiring sub-aqueous drilling and blasting. Bob also managed most of the major beach renourishment projects on the east coast of Florida. Most of his "retirement" now is spent on volunteer work. He is a member of the Board of Directors of L. CHAIM, a non-profit organization providing housing and case-management to the adult chronically mentally ill population. He is also on the management committee of SUNSHINE HOUSE, also a program for the chronically mentally ill, for social and prevocational rehabilitation; along with several other programs for this particular group, the mentally ill. Bob tells us this is a much needed area of work which he recommends to other retirees as a fulfilling approach to making good use of their "golden years". The National Alliance for the mentally ill in Arlington, VA makes referrals to one's local chapter wherever in the country you may be, if you are interested.



Plotkin Has New Post

On July 2, 1990, EDWARD S. PLOTKIN was appointed to the position of Commissioner of Public Works for Westchester County, NY.

A certified Professional Engineer in four states and the District of Columbia, Ed helped construct the New York City Water Tunnel from Highbridge Park to Columbia University, subway stations in Washington, D.C. and Boston and the 63rd Street Crosstown Subway from Central Park to Park Avenue in Manhattan.

At the time of his appointment, he was Vice President of MacLean Grove and Company, a Greenwich Connecticut-based heavy construction contractor and project management firm. He had been affiliated with that firm for 15 years.

From 1970 to 1974, Ed worked with DeLew Cather & Company, coordinating and planning design on the Second Avenue Subway from 127th Street to the Battery in NYC.

He received his Bachelor and Masters Degrees in Civil Engineering from City College of New York and his MBA in Engineering Management from the Baruch School at CUNY.

Since the mid-fifties, during his earlier years in heavy construction, he served as Resident Engineer, U.S. Navy Dry Dock No. 3; Chief Engineer of Coakley & Booth and President of Contact Sheeting.

A resident of Dobbs Ferry, he has been Chairman of the Village of Dobbs Ferry Planning Board for 28 years.

In his new position, Ed will supervise a Department of 280 employees and a 1990 operating budget of \$9.2 million. The Department of Public Works is responsible for providing a wide range of services to County government, including: design and construction oversight of all County construction projects; maintenance and repair of all County buildings and roads; operation of the County's solid waste transfer stations and implementation of the solid Waste Disposal Plan; and coordinating and fostering county-wide recycling efforts.

A member of The Moles since 1975, Ed has served on the Education Committee on and off from 1976 to the present.

LIFE MEMBER DEAD AT 75



EUGENE F. GIBBONS succumbed to a heart attack on June 24, 1990. He was 75.

Gene received his engineering degree from Manhattan College in 1936. Immediately after graduation, he joined The Carleton Company at first doing detailing and design in the office and later as an engineer on field work on the sixth Avenue Subway in New York City. During the period from 1941 to 1955 he was affiliated with several prominent contractors on heavy construction projects including Brooklyn Navy Yard Expansion, Newark Airport, Bethlehem Ship Yards, Brooklyn Battery Tunnel, marine work at Jones Beach State Park, Brooklyn Queens Expressway and the French Morocco Naval Base Expansion. During this period, Gene was elevated from Resident Engineer, Project Engineer, Project Manager to Chief Engineer.

In 1955, he became Chief Engineer of the New York State Department of Public Works. His duties included direction of engineering, planning, feasibility determinations, route locations of state highways, urban arterials, expressways, bridges and grade crossing eliminations and New York State canal improvements and flood control.

He became Commissioner of Public Works for Nassau County in 1962 and directed all activities of the Department



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composed of 2500 employees and having a dollar volume of projects in excess of \$40 million annually.

In 1966 he became a Vice President of McFarland-Johnson-Gibbons Engineers, Inc., supervising and directing engineering activities in the firm's Garden City, Long Island office. From 1972 until his death, he did private consulting work, founding the firm now known as Gibbons, Esposito & Boyce, Engineers, P.C.

During Gene's long and diversified career, he received several awards including the Nassau County Chapter New York State Society of Professional Engineers "Engineer of the Year" and the NCCJ Brotherhood Award. He was a Fellow, American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Consulting Engineers Council; and a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, National Association of County Engineers, The New York Water Pollution Control Association, and the Municipal Engineers of the City of New York. He was a registered professional Engineer in 11 states.

Gene became a member of The Moles in 1947 and was awarded Life Membership on May 6, 1987. He served The Moles as Trustee (1957/59) and Sergeant-At-Arms (1987). During the interim period, he served on the Membership Committee and several "special committees".

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; six children; a brother, Jim; and 19 grandchildren.

PHILIP C. RUTLEDGE died on July 14, 1990 at Indian River Estates Medical Center, following a lengthy illness. He was 84.

Until his retirement, Mr. Rutledge had been a Partner and Consulting Engineer for 25 years with Mueser, Rutledge, Wentworth and Johnson, New York City based consulting engineering firm.

He was a 1927 graduate of Harvard College; received his M.S. in Civil Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1933 and his Sc.D. from Harvard University in 1939. In 1957 he received an honorary Doctorate of Engineering degree from Purdue University.

Mr. Rutledge served as an Instructor in soil mechanics from 1933-37 at Harvard Graduate School of Engineering; he was a Professor of Civil Engineering from 1937-43 at Purdue University; and a Professor of Civil Engineering and Department Chairman from 1943-52 at Northwestern University. He served as Vice President & President of the Met Section, American Society of Civil Engineers from 1953-55; National Director, American Society of Civil Engineers from 1958-60; member of the Executive Committee, U.S. committee on Large Dams from 1968-75; and was a special consultant from 1962-65 for the Joint Venture for design of the Vertical Assembly Building and facilities, Complex 39 National Aeronautics and Space Administration, member of executive committee and partner in charge of design of foundations, 1965-70; member, Board of Technical Associates on Geology and Slope Stability, Atlantic-Pacific Inter-oceanic Canal Study Commission, Report to President, 1970; member of Advisory committee on Siting of Nuclear Power-Desalting Plant, U.S. Dept of Interior. In 1948 he received the War Department Certificate of Appreciation for services in development of Airfield pavements for heavy aircraft; 1968 elected member of National Academy of Engineering; 1969, American Society of Civil Engineers Terzaghi Award and Terzaghi Lecture.

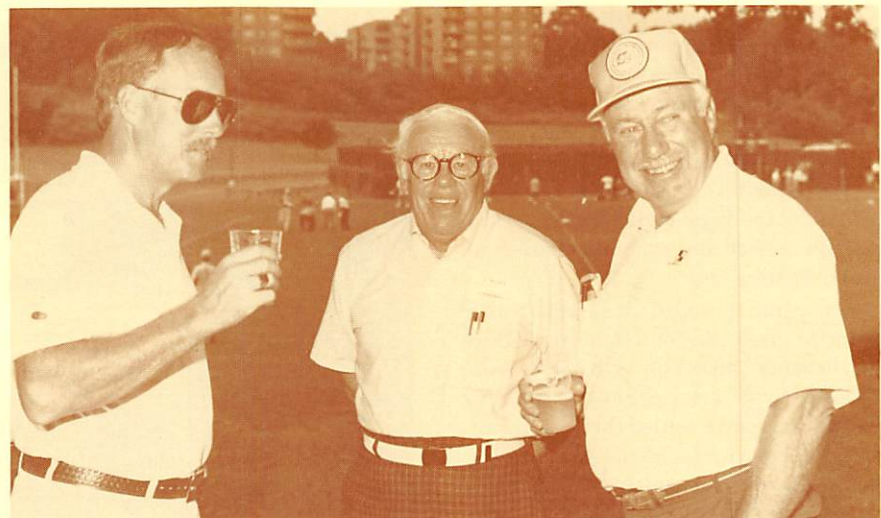
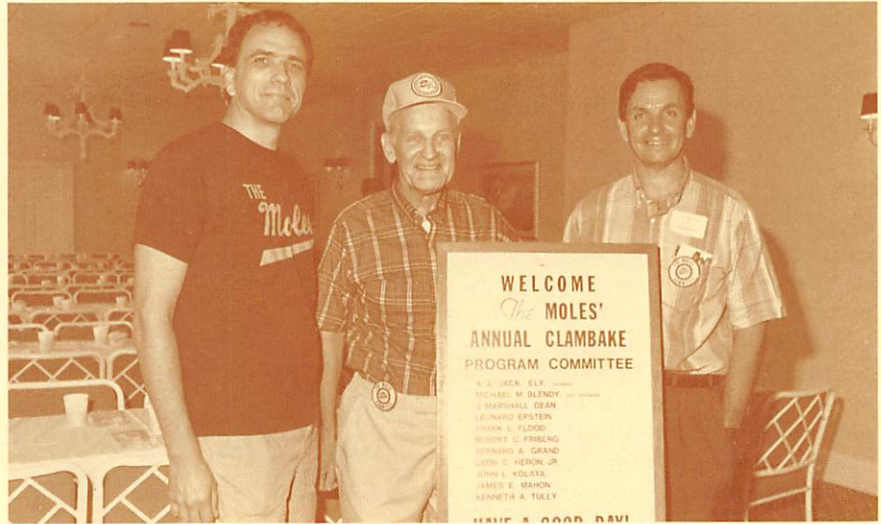
Pre-deceased in 1973 by his first wife, Dorothy, he is survived by his wife, Catherine; a son, John; a daughter, Cecily Megrue; three grandchildren; four step-children and five step-grandchildren.

... CLAMBAKE — 1990 ...

"Someone up there likes us" was a phrase heard during the day at this year's Clambake at Travers Island in Pelham, NY held on Tuesday August 7. Despite a tremendous rainfall which occurred the day before, all through Monday night and early Tuesday morning causing flooding in many places in the area, by 11 a.m. the sun was shining and the day's weather was great. The tennis courts were activated in plenty of time for the tournament which by the way was won by John Donellen and Rick Greenwald with runners up, Bill Maier and Ken Lutz. Wheel of fortune drawings at 2:30 and 4:30 produced the following winners, Al Maiorano and Dan Goodwin. Many more prizes were announced that evening for Bocci, Spike Driving, Horseshoe pitching and golf pitch to pin; along with ten door prizes. A super buffet lunch was served including Steamer Clams, Seafood Newburg, Chicken Tetrizzini, Sausage & Peppers, Steamship Round, all kinds of delicious salads and much more. The dinner that evening was the traditional "surf & turf" including a filet of beef and lobster tail.

Irv Huie's guest, Chuck Patterson, Perini Corporation, wrote a letter to Arline Gallagher and we quote: *"Though it's been a month now, I wanted to congratulate you and your associates — but especially the Good Lord — for putting on another great Moles' outing. Irv and I enjoyed it very much — as did everyone, it seemed — and it made our trip from Framingham very worthwhile. As we drove down that morning, it was still 'pouring rain' in Connecticut and we wondered if we were on a 'fool's errand'. But the foolish were those who missed it, and it was obvious that you had put in all of your usual great effort to make it a good event."*

John Kolaya the member of the Program Committee coordinating the "Softball" game deserves an extra special thank you. He submitted a report on the game which appears on this page. Others on the Program Committee who assisted the Chairman, Jack Ely in putting the day together were: Mike Blendy, Vice Chairman; Marshall Dean, Frank Flood, Bernie Grand, Leon Heron, and Jim Mahon. Thanks, guys! Last but not least, special thanks to Jack Walle who put together the "Welcome" sign, see photo this page.



... CLAMBAKE — 1990 ...

CONTRACTORS BULLDOZE ENGINEERS

Once again, the Annual Moles Softball Game was a big draw at the Clambake. As game time drew near, prime viewing spots grew scarce atop "Mole Hill" overlooking deep right field.

Bob Buckley appointed to the captain's spot for the gold-shirted Contractors who led a first inning three-run rally with a hard single past the Engineer's second bagger. Bob who went on to swat a respectable .500 for the day was overheard at the end of the game crowing to sons, Rob and Will, "I've still got it, boys!"

The game seemed one-sided as the scoreless Engineers were bested in the second inning when the Contractors added two runs before hurler Ed Cruz was trapped at second base by a double play. At this point some of the more fickle fans turned their attention to the action of the nearby Bocci games where Bob Lenz and Arturo Ressi were scorching opponents on the grass lanes.

The resourceful Engineers were not to be counted out, however. Lead off batter and Black-shirt captain Charlie Vachris radiated confidence as he slowly strode toward home plate. Before a wide-eyed crowd Charlie tapped the mud from his cleats and pointed to the horizon above Mole Hill. This tactic proved effective for Vachris as the wary Contractors pushed their outfield back toward the warning track. Cruz wound up and fired his best pitch which Charlie chopped just over the infield for an easy single. Evidently that was just what the Engineers needed as they came back with four runs in the third inning including two homers. The score at the end of three: a close 5 to 4.

In spite of a two-run fifth inning by the Contractors, the Engineers kept the contest close behind the capable lobbing of Elmer Richards. Elmer's "sky-ball" delivery was the cause for numerous tough calls by home plate ump, Charlie Molineaux. Mindful of last year's game-ball switch by the Engineers, Charlie marked the official ball and maintained full control over the game.

Going into the top of the seventh with a three-run lead, the Contractors pulled out all the stops and led off with a home run followed by four singles and two doubles. When the smoke settled they ran up six unanswered runs for a final score of 13 to 4. After the game captains Buckley and Vachris exchanged challenges for next season as they shook hands in front of the scoreboard.

