

# ShopTalk

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## The Class of 1983

*"Innovation and Great Work" Define Group*

The Post welcomed 78 new members to the ranks of the 20-Year Club on Monday evening, Sept. 29 during a reception held for club members in the 9th floor community room in the Northwest Building.

The new members were congratulated by Publisher **BO JONES** who thanked them for their years of service. He also reflected on what was happening at The Post 20 years ago.

"It was a time when The Post was growing like crazy," said Jones. "If you look at the list of the new members of the 20-Year Club, you'll

find the majority of them came from the mailroom and the pressroom...We used to think of The Post 20 years ago as this invincible juggernaut that was just growing and growing."

He also noted the changes in technology in the last two decades, citing the example of the infancy of cellular technology in 1983 to its prevalence today. "Technology has really changed," he said. "You think about the mailroom and the pressrooms, compared to 20 years ago and all the other changes at



The 20-Year Club's Class of 1983 with Publisher **BO JONES** and Chairman **DON GRAHAM** in the back.

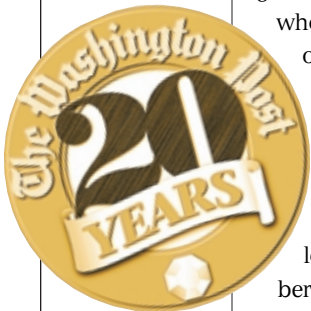
The Post."

"Today we can say The Post is just as strong an institution," said Jones to the group. "What is so crucial is that The Post is just as consistent as it ever was, especially if you look at how the people in this room and throughout the paper performed after the hurricane. You showed our readers once again that you can always count on us."

"Thank you all for making this possible over 20 years," he added. "You've proved yourself through innovation and great work and

consistently put out the paper every day."

The class of 1983 brings the total number of 20-Year Club members who are actively employed at The Post to approximately 1,000, or just less than one-third of all Post employees. There are also an estimated 800 retirees who belong to the 20-Year Club. The 20-Year Club and the annual reception are coordinated by Vice President/Controller **PEGGY SCHIFF** and administrative assistant **PAT HOLDSWORTH.** ■



# Post Sponsors National Book Festival

Several Newsroom staff participated in the Third Annual National Book Festival held on the National Mall on Saturday, Oct. 4. Hosted by the Library of Congress and sponsored by The Post, the event included readings and book signings by



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more than 85 of the country's best-known authors, poets, illustrators and storytellers. A guide to the event was published in the Sunday, Sept. 28 issue of Book World. The following staff and contributors participated as presenters, or discussed their own books during the day-long festival:

- LEN DOWNIE**
- JOEL ACHENBACH**  
Patrick Anderson (*Book World* regular reviewer)
- MARIE ARANA**
- JABARI ASIM**
- RICK ATKINSON** (*on leave*)  
Maureen Corrigan (*Book World* regular reviewer)
- MICHAEL DIRDA**

- DENNIS DRABELLE**
- BELLE ELVING**
- SANDY FERNANDEZ**
- TRACY GRANT**
- JENNIFER HOWARD**
- CHRIS LEHMANN**
- DAVID MARANISS**
- JEANNE McMANUS**
- TIM PAGE**



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Book World Editor MARIE ARANA was a presenter at the National Book Festival.

- GEORGE SOLOMON**
- LINTON WEEKS**
- JONATHAN YARDLEY**



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Atkinson received the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for history for his book *An Army at Dawn: the War in North Africa 1942 - 1943*.

# Mailroom Retirees Have 746 Years of Service

The Post said thank you to 28 mailroom staff and their families during a retirement reception in their honor at the Springfield Plant on Wednesday, Sept. 17. The group of recent retirees had a total of 746 years of service at the newspaper. Speakers and guests at the reception included Chairman **DON GRAHAM**, Publisher **BO JONES**, Vice President of Production **JIM COLEY** and plant managers **KEVIN O'NEIL**, College Park, and **JENNIFER RYMARCSUK**.

The retirees honored at the reception included:  
Bennie Atkinson  
James Bradley

- Ubie Brown
- William Chaney
- William Cullen
- Robert Cyrus
- Stephen Godshall
- Willie Hare
- Kenneth Hough
- Steven Kinder
- Louis Lantz
- Paul Lord
- Ralph McDuffie
- Howard Michelson
- Earl Morris
- Herbert Moseley
- Willis Owens
- James Parsons
- James Pearson
- Daniel Pironto
- William Reilly
- Thomas Starke
- Reginald Taylor



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Retirees and family members at the reception included, (Kneeling, 1-r) Willie Owens (retiree), Bennie Atkinson (retiree), (second row) Crystal McDonald, (Back row, 1-r) Helen Bradley, Jim Bradley (retiree), Reggie Taylor (retiree), Linda Owens, Barbara Allen, Willie Hare (retiree), Jean Atkinson and Sheldon Walker (retiree).

- Khanh Gia Thai
- Sheldon Walker
- Arthur Walton

- Joseph Whalen
- William Whittington



# The 20-Year Club Celebrates



**KEVIN BRADDOCK**, Mail Desk, receives his new member boutonniere from **PAT HOLDSWORTH**, Accounting.



**ROSE-MARIE JACOBIUS**, News, is congratulated by Chairman **DON GRAHAM** as Publisher **BO JONES** announces the new members of the 20-Year Club.



Newly inducted 20-Year Club member **MARIAN RICKS**, Advertising, with her grandson, Russell Ricks.



**ROYE WEEKS**, IT/Springfield, congratulates new member **RICH WILKINS**, IT. Weeks hired Wilkins in 1983.



**PHIL KANE**, Production/College Park, with new member **GARY BELL**, Production/Springfield.



New club member **PATTI ALUISE**, Production/College Park, with member **SUSAN CANADA**, Production.



President **STEVE HILLS** with new member **ROB NICHOLSON**, Circulation and Nicholson's wife, **LORI DEAN**, Advertising.



**CELES DARBY**, Accounting, puts a name tag on new 20-Year Club member **IQRAMA MUHAMMAD**, Advertising.



## Post Hosts Cappies Workshop

The Post hosted approximately 200 high school students and advisors for a theater critics' workshop on Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Northwest Building. The students spent the day learning the art of writing reviews of high school plays and musicals from Post theater critic **PETER MARKS**. The workshop was part of the Cappies of the National Capital Area program that began in Northern Virginia in 1999 as a means of

teaching students critical writing and spotlighting the theatrical talents of area high school students. The program provides the student critics with the opportunity to have their reviews published in The Post's Extras. Fairfax Bureau staff **MARYLOU TOUSIGNANT**, assistant Virginia editor and **STEVE FEHR**, Fairfax Extra editor, coordinate The Post's involvement with the Cappies program.

## OD&T Schedule Available on Lotus Notes

The Organization Development & Training (OD&T) Department's 2003 Semester II course schedule is available in Lotus Notes by clicking on the OD&T "classroom" icon. The Lotus Notes link to the OD&T database is included in the

department's monthly e-mail notice to all employees. Once you have clicked on the link it will place itself into your workspace in Lotus Notes. If you missed the e-mail or have not been able to access the database, contact **VONDA COULBOURN** at x4-5435. Questions about classes or registration should be directed to the OD&T hotline at x4-5425.

## Hearing Screenings at Northwest Building

The Northwest Building Health Center will offer free hearing screenings during the week of Oct. 13-19 from 7 a.m.-10:45 p.m. The screenings are by appointment only. To make an appointment, call x4-7192.

## Employees win Big \$\$\$

Submit an idea that could save The Post money, time or both. If your idea is implemented, you could win up to \$1,000 and join a group of

your Post colleagues who are already enjoying their cash awards. To submit your key idea, or to learn

more about the program go online to [intranet/keyideas](http://intranet/keyideas), or contact **CLIFF KAYSER**, the Key Ideas Program coordinator at x4-6656, or e-mail [keyideas@washpost.com](mailto:keyideas@washpost.com).

## The Post in Manassas

The Post was the presenting sponsor of the 21st Annual Manassas Fall Jubilee held in Old Town Manassas, Va. on Saturday, Oct. 4. Public Relations Department staff, KidsPost Art Editor **LILIANE VILMENAY** and editorial aide **MICHELE CLOCK** manned the KidsPost Corner booth and distributed KidsPost luggage tags. More than 45,000 people attended the event which was promoted through a pull-out guide published in the Prince William and Loudoun counties Extras. ■



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Post Theater Critic **PETER MARKS** discusses the art of writing a critical review during the Cappies workshop on Saturday, Oct. 4.

# Marketplace

**FREE PET AD:** Precious Pets, the Thursday Extras Pet Directory, is searching for any employee who is interested in sending a free message to their pet! Please contact David (DC Extra) at x4-5433, Matt (MD Extras) at x4-7926 or Carla or Maria (VA Extras) at x4-9269 or x4-6139.

**FOR SALE:** 2001 Mercury Cougar - green, 31K miles, leather, moon roof, premium stereo- excellent condition, \$13,000. Call Yan at (301)742-2757 or x4-4642.

**FOR SALE:** 1/2 carat total weight diamond bracelet. 18 kt. Italian gold (type #750) Will sell for \$295. Call Heba at x4-6026 or (301) 460-9330.

**FOR SALE:** 1997 Jeep Wrangler, soft-top, 4x4, 4 cylinder, 5-speed, great on gas, new Kenwood stereo, mag wheels, power steering, a/c, must see. Asking \$8,500. Call Troy at x6-2220, or (703) 590-2228.

**FOR SALE:** 2002 Ford Taurus SES Gold, 4 dr, air, CD, auto trans. 23,635 miles. Car is in excellent shape. \$10,000/OBO. Call David Hoffman, x4-5553.

**WANTED:** Someone to carpool to work with from the Shady Grove Road area in Rockville to the Northwest Building (15th & L Streets). Either you can drive, or I can drive. I just need to ride in the HOV lane! Call Christie at x4-5970.

**FOR SALE:** 1998 Toyota Celica GT convertible. Black w/gray interior. Fabric seats. Automatic, a/c, CD/cassette/radio, cruise control. 37,000 miles. In excellent condition. Garage kept. \$13,500. Call Bonnie Warner on x4-4537 or (301) 776-0596. E-mail: [warnerbs@washpost.com](mailto:warnerbs@washpost.com).

**FREE! FREE!** Ads in marketplace are free to employees of The Washington Post. Join thousands of satisfied customers who have bought and sold through Marketplace. The deadline is Friday at noon for the next Thursday's issue of ShopTalk. Send your ad with your extension and home phone number via e-mail to ShopTalk, or fax to x4-4963.

**FOR SALE:** Single hardwood artisan's loft bed, in solid birch wood w/ ladder, guardrails and bedside shelf. 44" wide x 80" long and 6' high. Futon included. Asking \$300/OBO. Call Eric at x4-6466.

**FOR SALE:** 1995 Explorer, 2-wheel drive, new Michelin tires, new brakes, still runs great, 120,000 miles. Asking \$4,000. Call Lisa at (703) 250-4107.

**MARKETPLACE DEADLINE:** Noon Fridays. Please include your name, extension and home phone number. Ads are for Post Employees only. Send ads to Shop Talk, 7th floor, or call x4-6803. To send ads via fax dial x4-4963; via e-mail send to [shoptalk](mailto:shoptalk). Ads run two issues unless otherwise requested. One ad per employee, please.