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## The First LAFF

As stated in circulars that have gone out to as many Ford Foundation alumni as we have been able to locate to date, the new LAFF (life after the Ford Foundation) Society is dedicated to the circulation of information about onetime staff members. The principle vehicle therefor will be a newsletter, and we are pleased at last to present the maiden issue.

Unlike the American Procrastination Society, which apologizes because each issue of its newsletter has not come out later we will try to publish these with regularity, perhaps two a year, or more, depending on the volume of information received. That volume in turn depends on our receiving more names and addresses of FF alumni, about which more later.

We hope that by circulating news of the professional and/or personal events in the lives of FF alumni, we will remember old bonds, possibly renew acquaintances, perhaps even help one another professionally, and satisfy sheer curiosity.

This enterprise is topped with a dollop of nostalgia, for which we make no apology. The LAFF Society is neither endorsed or encouraged by the Foundation, but high officials there have complimented us on our efforts to keep in touch with friends and wish us well.

Write us. Send us names and addresses of former colleagues. Send a couple of sentences or so about yourselves.

Cordially,

The Organizing
Committee
Whitman Bassow
David Davis
Marvin Feldman
William Gormbley
Oscar Harkavy
Richard Magat
Edward Meade, Jr.
Marshall Robinson
Nancy Boggs Sheldon
Basil Whiting

Where, Who



Send correspondence to the LAFF Society, Box 6549, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.

## The LAFFing Parade

Most of the following information comes from respondents. We apologize to people whose letters were received after this issue was written, but we will be sure to note them in the next issue.

Dates in parentheses indicate when alumni left the Foundation.

Francis X. (Frank)
Sutton (1983) spent part of
the first two years of retirement writing a history
of the Foundation's international activities. He
wrote to the LAFF Society
from Bellagio, Italy, where
he was acting director of
the Rockefeller Foundation's
Study and Conference Center
at the Villa Serbelloni. Now
at 80 Bellair Dr., Dobbs
Ferry, NY 10522.

Presiding over another domicile for what FF alumnus David Heaps once called "the leisure of theory class" is Peter de Janosi (Resources and Environment). Peter became vice president of the Russell Sage Foundation after leaving Ford and this year signed on for a threeyear term as director of IIASA, the International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis, 'located in one of Empress Maria Theresa's overflow palaces, a crown's throw from Vienna. A-2361,

Laxenburg, Austria.

Heaps (International, 1976) kept his hand in the human rights field by serving as chairman of Internet, among other things. 317 Carter Rd., R.D. 2, Princeton, NJ 08540.

Brenda A. (Cox) Newman (Public Education, 1975) is a program administrator of a \$2.8 million internal awards program at the Research Foundation of the City University of New York, She was widowed two years ago. Son Andrew was graduated this year from Kent School. 382 Central Park West, 3R, New York, NY 10025

Natalie Millner (1984), having worked in the New (cont. on col. 2)

## A Lion's Tale

Stanley Brezenoff (National Affairs), after spending



several
years as
deputy mayor in the
Koch Administration,
is executive direc-

tor of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. He recently had the distinction of having a lion cub named after him. Stanley, the cub, found a temporary home in Animalport, which deals with animals in transit, and is part of Kennedy Airport, operated by Stanley, the FF alumnus. The cub, which was living illegally in an auto repair shop in Yonkers, was enroute to a California preserve for big cats.

York City Department of Cultural Affairs, is now deputy director of public affairs for the city's Dept. of Environmental Protection.

Nancy Dennis (Public Education, 1976), is director, program underwriting, Channel 13, New York. For five years she directed the foundation/government gifts program for the New York City Opera. Later she was administrator of the Eleanor Naylor Dana Charitable Trust, which focused on the performing arts and biomedical research.

Melvin J. Fox (International, 1977) served for several years after retirement as board member or chair of the Center for Applied Linguistics. He is a volunteer for the Chapel Hill N.C. Interfaith Council for Social Services (for the poor and homeless). He was "seeking a nostalgia fix" when the LAFF circular arrived because his wife was mentally preparing for her 50th college reunion. 122 Channing Lane, Chapel Hill, NC 27516.

Office of Reports (now Communications) alumni: Leslie Gottlieb (1987) after free-lancing became director of communications for the Council on Economic Priorities. 1385 York Ave., New York, NY 10021. Robert Tolles (former director, 1990) besides free-lance writing, editing and PR, does woodworking, writes an occasional op-ed piece and helps inner-city groups for the National Executive Service Corps. 134 Main St., New Canaan, CT 06840. Gladys Krasner (1964) has

since served as president of the League of Women Voters of the City of New York and now directs volunteers for the Caring Community, an agency that serves the elderly in Greenwich Village. 70-25 Yellowstone Blvd., Forest Hills, NY 11375. Terrance Keenan (1965) became part of the founding staff of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and retired as vice president there in 1990. Jules Koslow (1960) was director of corporate communications for RCA until retiring in 1982. With five books to his credit, he continues some writing; divides his time between Westport, Conn., Sarasota, Fla. and Tasmania, home of son, daughter-in-law and two grandchildren. 1201 Peppertree Dr., Sarasota, FL. Nancy (Benoit) Silbert (1978) went on to raise a daughter and return to college for teacher certification. She teaches kindergarten and second grade in Danbury, Conn. Felice Michaels Levin (1970), worked as public affairs consultant (e.g., College Board, National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering) until joining United Jewish Appeal-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies as senior writer in 1989. Joyce (Verhalen) Pandolfi (1977), while raising three children in Briarcliff, NY, has been active in the Junior League and helped start its senior citizen housing project. She also serves as a master gardener in the Cornell University Cooperative Extension Service. Beth Atkins (1975) joined The Population Council after obtaining a master's in public health. She

later was executive director of the World Federation for Voluntary Surgical Contraception and is presently director of publications of the National Center on Children in Poverty, at Columbia University.

Michael S. Teitelbaum (Population Office, 1981). Was senior associate of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace for the next two years. Then joined the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. Also consultant to the World Bank and commissioner, U.S. Commission for the Study of International Migration and Cooperative Economic Development.

Harcourt Dodds (National Affairs, 1982). For five years ran the corporate responsibility program for Champion International. Later he was executive assistant district attorney of Brooklyn. Since 1990, on faculty of St. John's University School of Law. Member of the board of the New York Foundation and the New School for Social Research.

William Pincus (National Affairs, 1969). Ran the Council on Legal Education for Professional Responsibility before retiring in 1981. 5 Tuddington Rd., Great Neck, NY 11023.

Starry Krueger (National Affairs). Founding director, National Rural Fellows Program in 1979 and since 1983 president of the Rural Development Leadership Network. PO Box 98, Prince St. Station, NY 10012.

Oscar Harkavy (Population Office, 1989). Has consulted for the Rockefeller Foundation, International Health Foundation and others. Chairs board of

the Population Resource Center and is "struggling with a manuscript on the population movement through a philanthropoid's eye." 15 Split Rock Lane, New Rochelle, NY 10804.

Paul H. Feinberg (Office of Secretary and General Counsel, 1977) is a partner in Baker & Hostetler. Cleveland, a large national law firm. Specializing in tax-exempt organizations, charitable giving, and estate planning, he has kept in touch with the FF world through his work for the Local Initiatives Support Corporation and as a trustee of the MACE (Mississippi Action for Community Education) Fund. (cont. on p. 4)

# Foundation to Foundation

Several
alumni
have
gone on
to be-

come heads of other foundations. Delwin A. Roy (International, 1976), is president and chief executive officer of the Hitachi Foundation, based in Washington. The foundation is the largest of some 25 Japanese corporate U.S. foundations formed in the last six years. 1920 Belmont Rd., NW, Washington, DC 20009. George Zeidenstein (International, 1976) became and still is president of the Population Council. 1 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, New York, NY 10017. Claire List (Education), after serving

as a program officer at the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, is now executive director of the Esther A. and Joseph Klingenstein Fund, 787 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10019. One foundation presidency seems to be a Ford Foundation alumni preserve. John R. Coleman (National Affairs, 1967) was president of the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation. When he retired in 1986, he became an innkeeper (The Inn at Long Last, Chester, Vt.) and was succeeded by Peter Bell. Terry Tinson Saario (Education), having headed the Standard Oil Company's Foundation, based in Cleveland, is now president of the Northwest Area Foundation, St. Paul, Minn. Last year she spent two months in Japan as a U.S.-Japan Leadership Fellow, was elected to the National Academy of Public Administration, and was named by Business Week as one of the best foundation managers in the U.S. Marshall Robinson (Resources and Environment, 1979) served as president of the Russell Sage Foundation until his retirement in 1986. He is a fellow at the Institution for Social and Political Studies at Yale.

### Presidential Suite



Several alumni have gone on to col-

lege presidencies. Eamon M. Kelly (Program-Related Investments, Social Development, 1979) joined Tulane University as executive vice president in 1979 and became

president in 1981. Peter Stanley (Education, 1991) is president of Pomona College. Robert Edwards (International, 1977) has two presidencies, Carleton, 1977-1986, and Bowdoin, 1990-present. Between them

## Nobis Culpis

Correspondence from FF Alumni to The LAFF Society included several that call for personal response. Due to the volume and to the logistics of getting even this far, we have been unable to respond personally. For this we apologize. We will try to catch up, but in the meantime please don't take our lack of response as unfriendliness. On the contrary we are deeply grateful to those who have responded so far.

he was head of the Health, Education, and Housing Secretariat of the Aga Khan. 32 College St., Brunswick, ME 04011. Another Maine college, Colby, is headed by William Cotter (International). Warren Ilchman (International, 1980) president of Pratt Institute, is married to the president of Sarah Lawrence College, Alice Ilchman. Before Pratt, he was vice president for research and educational development at the State University of New York at Albany. Yet another record focuses on Haverford College, whose president from 1967-1977 was John R. Coleman (see also "From Foundation to Foundation"),

and is now Tom Kessenger (International). Howard Swearer (International) was for several years president of Brown University after leaving the Foundation. The heads of two leading black colleges, Dillard University in New Orleans and Tuskegee Institute in Alabama are FF alumni, Samuel Du-Bois Cook and Benjamin Payton, respectively. Marvin Feldman, as president of the Pashion Institute of Technology, has presided over its expansion to a four-year college and to its spread to Italy, Japan, and elsewhere. Joshua Smith has been president of two community colleges (Manhattan in New York and Brookdale in New Jersey) and chancellor of the California Community College System. He is now on the faculty of Baruch College. Lexington Ave. and 23rd St., New York, NY 10010.

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Linda Pappas Funsch (International, 1976) became U.S. director of the American Research Center in Egypt. Since 1985 she has been teaching at Hood College in Frederick, MD and Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg. 5601 Mt. Laurel Dr., Frederick, MD 21702.

Basil J. Whiting
(National Affairs, 1977)
has since been deputy assistant secretary of the
U.S. Occupational Safety
and Health Administration;
executive director of the
Michigan Quality of Work
Life Council; co-owner of
Work Life Development Sys-

tems Inc. and vice president, human resources, the Long Island Rail Road.

J. Wayne Fredericks (International, 1973) became executive director, international governmental affairs, for the Ford Motor Company. Since 1988 he has been counselor for Africa at the Institute for International Education. He continues to be heavily involved in South Africa. 25 Oriole Ave., Bronxville, NY 10708.

Mariam Chamberlain (Education and Research 1982). As resident scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation she headed a Task Force on Women in Higher Education, which culminated in the volume, Women in Academe. She was also founding president of the National Council for Research on Women, Sara Delano Roosevelt Memorial House, 47-49 E. 65 St., New York, NY 10021.

Patricia (Goebel)
D'Alton (Building Services,
1982) has been married, divorced and become a greatgrandmother since retiring.
She spends four months a
year in San Miguel de
Allende, Mexico taking Spanish and painting lessons.
Box 1047, Bridgehampton, NY
11932.

Stuart Sucherman (Broadcasting) is president of Hilton Sucherman Productions, which specializes in corporate communications, including media training, strategic planning, TV production, managing consulting, etc. for clients ranging from the major networks to GE, GTE, and American Express. 230 Park Ave.. New York, NY 10169.

Marjorie Martus (Education, 1982) was a volunteer for Stanford School of Education projects and now volunteers in a barrio elementary school. She has followed one group of Mexican American children from kindergarten through the 4th grade. She also gardens a bio-intensive plot and is deeply concerned about environmental changes. 465 Oak Court, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

Robert W. Chandler (National Affairs, 1982)
worked for two and a half
years at The Foundation
Center as a computer search
analyst. He travels to visit four children and seven
grandchildren and continues
to play the recorder. He
keeps his hand in fair
housing by serving as a
board member of the Fair
Housing Council of Northern
New Jersey. 482 Berkeley
Dr., Wyckoff, NJ 07481.

David M. Davis
(Broadcasting, 1980) created the PBS "American Playhouse" series, winner of many awards. He is responsible for an independent documentary series entitled P.O.V. (Point of View), now in its fourth season. 97 Richards Ave., Unit B-2, Norwalk, CT 06854.

Thomas Lenagh (Treasurer, 1978) has since been financial vice president of the Aspen Institute, chairman of the New York YWCA, chair and CEO, Greiner Engineering (1982-84), and chair or CEO of various corporate and financial companies.

Sally J. Oleon (Higher Education, 1969) spent seven years in administrative posts at the City University of New York, as deputy director of the research foundation and head of grant and research administration at Queensborough Community College. Later she was dean of faculty and academic affairs at Greater Hartford Community College and is now consulting. 340 E. 64th St., Suite 45, New York, NY 10021.

Siobhan Oppenheimer
Nicolau (National Affairs,
1981) is president and
founder of the Hispanic
Policy Development Project.
She has also consulted for
Levi-Strauss, the Enterprise Foundation, and the
Buck Trust special master
and others. She has been
director of an Aspen Institute seminar on Hispanics
and the business sector
since 1987. 125 E. 10th
St., New York, NY 10003.

The Harvard Graduate
School of Education has
been home base for Harold
(Doc) Howe 11 (Education
and Research) and Paul N.
Ylvisaker (National Affairs) since they left the
Foundation. Ylvisaker is
also a senior consultant to
the Council on Foundations.

Tom Seesel (National Affairs, 1974) is president of Seedco, a community development support organization. Earlier he was deputy commissioner of environmental protection for New Jersey, executive vice president of Manpower Demonstration Research Corp. and executive director, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence.

Anita Miller (National Affairs, 1978) served with the Federal Home Loan Board and with the Local Initiatives Support Corporation. She was also a bank presi-

The Far Away Fifties



From the Foundation's first decade as a national institution come

three messages: from David B. Dreiman, who wrote speeches for president, later chairman, H. Rowan Gaither. 5712 Soledad Rd., La Jolla, CA 92037. Porter McKeever (1956), who continued in philanthropy as an adviser to John D. Rockefeller III: 318 Cliff Ave.. Pelham, NY, and W.H. "Ping" Ferry (1954). Although Ferry notes that he was never on the FF payroll, he introduced Henry Ford II to the Foundation when he was public relations counsel to the Company. He wrote a good part of the famed Gaither Report and later joined Robert Hutchins in running the Fund for the Republic, the FF's "wholly disowned subsidiary." PO Box 657, Scarsdale, NY 10583.

dent in New Jersey. PO Box 512, Washington Crossing, PA 18977.

Sanford M. (Sandy) Jaffe (National Affairs, 1981) directs the Center for Negotiation and Conflict Resolution at the Rutgers Law School, teaches at the National Judicial College, chairs the Fund for Research on Dispute Resolution, and is special counsel to the Governor's Quality Education Commission in New Jersey.

Mary Camper-Titsingh (Investment Research, 1989), after spending three months in Europe, has signed up as a Peace Corps volunteer but as of this writing had received no assignment. 531 Main St., Roosevelt Island, Apt. 1110, New York, NY 10044.

Edward J. Meade, Jr. (Education, 1989) is consulting widely. Currently he is working on assignments with such foundations as DeWitt Wallace-Reader's Digest, Panasonic, Conrad Hilton, Ford, Carnegie, and Prudential. He also is a member of the New Jersey State Board of Higher Education. 89 Upper Mountain Ave., Montclair, NJ 07042.

Robert A. Mayer (Administration, Latin America, 1973) joined the New York Community Trust, then was executive director of the New York State Council on the Arts. Following eight years as director of the International Museum of Photography at George Eastman House in Rochester, NY. he became president of the Cleveland Institute of Arts in July, 1991.

James A. Kelly (Education, 1981) became president of Spring Hill, a conference center outside Minneapolis. In 1985 he was named president of the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit and in 1987 president and chief executive officer of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Talton Ray (Program Related Investments, 1981) joined the South Bronx Development Organization and for the last three years has headed the new Council for Community-Based Development, in Washington. 1070 Thomas Jefferson St., NW, Washington, DC 20007.

Lincoln Chen (International) is Professor of International Health at the Harvard School of Public Health. 665 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115.

Susan Goodwillie (International, 1978) took a fellowship at the Kennedy School at Harvard and was then executive director of Refugees International. After serving six months on the foreign policy team of the Dukakis campaign, she began consulting on projects that take her to Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

John G. Sommer (International) was a fellow at the Overseas Development Council, then a Peace Corps official and assistant to the AID Administrator. Since 1981 he has been dean of academic studies abroad for the Experiment in International Living's School for International Training. Kipling Rd., PO Box 676, Brattleboro. VT 05301.

Gordon Harrison (Resources and Environment) says he has been "an almost full-time hobbyist — sculpting — and part-time environmental gadfly, trying to slow my town's descent into the American dream where cornfields turn into shopping malls and golf carts instead of cows perambulate the meadows. Don't wait for a victory yell." PO Box 243, Dorset, VT 05251.

Richard Kapp (Arts, 1978) is conductor of the Philharmonia Virtuosi and head of a two-year-old record company, ESSARY Recordings. 20 Oakdale Dr., Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706.



The contents of this newsletter are drawn in great part from replies from dozens of women and men to The LAFF Society's initial circular. The Society depends on word-of-mouth to collect names and addresses of other alumni. So please send us names and addresses of friends and former colleagues who are not mentioned in this newsletter. It would also help if you sent copies of the circular, or just a note, inviting them to write us, including a \$5 check to cover expenses. The LAFF Society, PO Box 6549 Grand Central Station, New York. NY 10163.

So far we have responses from fewer than 100 alumni. There are hundreds more, so please help us locate them.

#### Designing Woman

Credit and gratitude go to Ruth Neumann (Office of Reports, 1985) for the design of The LAFF Society logo and the design and production of this newsletter. Ruth, Graphics Manager at the Foundation, is a graduate of the Cooper Union Art Institute. She and her husband live in retirement in Florida. 4715B Finchwood Rd., Boynton Beach, FL 33436.

## Dropouts

A bit more than half of the FF Alumni whose names and addresses we could find have responded affirmatively -- in many cases enthusiastically -- to our opening salvo. In only two cases did former staff members give reasons for eschewing affiliation. One wrote, "Honored though I am to be invited into your distinguished membership, I must turn down the invitation. I made a New Year's resolution not to join another organization (however loose and easy) without resigning from one. You have sorely tested me. but..."

Well... "joining" The LAFF Society isn't quite like "joining" the Book of the Month Club. Nor is it the sort of thing you'd list in your c.v. But we believe it will be of more interest to its members than most other organizations. The evidence lies in some of the reaction to date: "A great idea! Thanks for taking the lead." "I am delighted to join the group." "Thanks for taking the initiative. There were a lot of interesting people at the Ford Poundation, and it would be good to know what they are doing." "LAFF is a great idea." "How charming that you thought up this little activity. Never known as a letter writer. I will be happy to hear about the doings of those more active alumni."

Although we regret that some former staff have or will decide to keep their distance from The LAFF Society, we do not share the economists' harsh view of "free riders," so as funds permit we will send them the newsletter too.

(Persons deciding to drop in should send a couple of sentences about their activities since leaving the Foundation, along with a \$5 check, to The LAFF Society, PO Box 6549 Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163.)

## Booked Up

Having funded the writing of many books during their Ford Foundation years, many former staff members, it comes as no surprise, write books of their own after they leave. Those we know of to date are:

"Rediscovering America: Journeys Through Our Forgotten Past" (Houghton Mifflin, 1991), by Roger G. Kennedy (Arts, 1979), called "highly civilized and readable" by the Times Literary Supplement. Kennedy, who became and remains director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, also wrote "Architecture, Men. Women and Money in America, 1600-1860" (Random House 1985) and "Greek Revival America" (Stewart, Tabori and Chang 1989).

"Danger and Survival:
The Political History of
the Nuclear Weapon" (Random
House, 1988) by McGeorge
Bundy (president, 1979) a
widely praised work that
landed on the first page of
The New York Times Book
Review. After serving as
professor of history at New
York University, Bundy now
is at Carnegie Corporation
as chair of its Task Force

on the Nuclear Threat.

"New People in Old
Neighborhoods: The Role of
Immigrants in Rejuvenating
New York's Communities"
(Russell Sage Foundation
1990) by Louis Winnick (National Affairs, 1986). Until
1989 he was a Senior Fellow
at the New School and has
since been a senior consultant to the Fund for the
City of New York, 121 Sixth
Ave., New York, NY 10013.

"The Music Came From Deep Inside," about artists and severely handicapped kids (Brookline Books), by Junius Eddy (Arts, 1973). Eddy worked for a few years on Rockefeller Foundation arts education projects. He moved to Rhode Island in 1975, where he has done pro bono work in the arts and environmental and education matters and consulting for such enterprises as Poxfire. He and his wife have 10 grandchildren. 315 West Main Rd., Little Compton, RI 02837.

"The Moscow Correspondents" by Whitman Bassow (Reports), a prize-winning history of American reporting on Russia from the Revolution to glasnost. (William Morrow, 1988). Bassow founded and for several years was president of World Environment Center. Since retiring he has run a consulting service on international environment affairs and become a columnist for Environmental Protection magazine. He is also a director of the First Environmental Bank (Rye, N.H.). 1150 Park Ave., New York. NY 00128.

"Philanthropic Giving: Studies in Varieties and Goals" (Oxford University Press, 1989) and "An Agile Servant: Community Leadership by Community Foundations" (The Foundation Center, 1990), Richard Magat (Reports, 1982). After working part-time for the Russell Sage Foundation and the Council on Foundations, Magat became president of the Edward W. Hazen Foundation, one of the country's oldest. Since retiring in 1988, he has been a visiting fellow at The Foundation Center. 79 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10003.

"Crisis in the Philippines: The Marcos Era and Beyond" (Princeton University Press 1986), by John Bresnan (International, 1982). Bresnan has been a senior research associate at the East Asian Institute of Columbia University and executive director of its Pacific Basin Studies Program. He recently completed the manuscript of a book on Indonesia. 36 Benedict Pl., Pelham, NY 10803.

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# The Black Ink Report

The finances of the LAFF Society are pretty rudimentary so far. Income consists of \$5 dues. Expenses are mainly postage, a bank account, and a post office box. Design, editorial services and even legal representation are provided gratis by members.

Some members have suggested we raise the dues.
("You should have asked for \$50," one wrote. "It makes the organization seem more substantial and permanent.") Another, Terry Saario, sent in \$10, asking that her husband be made an honorary member; without resort to democratic procedures he has been so designated, and other spouses are invited to follow suit.

However, we think the present dues will suffice once more former staff members sign up. For now, The LAFF Society's financial fortunes are:

Income	\$400.00
Expenditures	
Postage	84.27
Printing	193.03
Bank account	18.00
P.O. Box (annual)	45.00
Rubber stamp	9.63
	\$349.93
Balance	\$ 50.07

#### Deaths

Edward F. D'Arms (Arts, 1969). April 30, 1991, at the age of 87.

Richard A. Horovitz, 44 (International 1987), July 17, 1991.

Anthony Riolo, 46 (Office of General Counsel) March 28, 1989

Richard Sheldon (Arts)
August 1989.

Shepard Stone, 82 (International) May 4, 1990.

Readers are invited to send information on the deaths of former Foundation staff members.