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The First Edition of the Email Newsletter has met with Membership response approval. For those members who didn't have the ADOBE READER installed on their computer, individual instructions were given via Email on how to download the FREE software. In some instances detailed instructions were given on how to open an Attachment. Some Members have special Quotas on how much Email they can receive with their specific Internet provider. We will try to contact each of the Members and ask them to make other arrangements if possible.

In response to our normal re-nomination practice of polling our existing Officers and Directors, five of them have announced that they will not accept re-nomination. Their service to VWOA as a loyal, dedicated Officers/Directors is greatly appreciated and we wish them health and happiness after they relinquish their VWOA responsibilities.

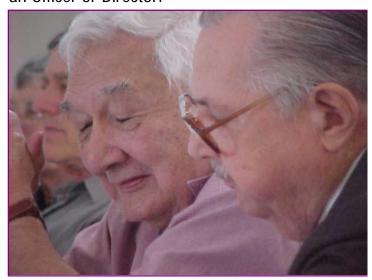


MILES E. MACMAHON



DWIGHT L. TEMPLE

Herman Arond, Dwight L. Temple, Miles E. MacMahon, Raymond J. Mullin and Paul Anselmo announced their desire not to be renominated to the Board of Directors either as an Officer or Director.



PAUL ANSELMO



HERMAN AROND



RAYMOND J. MULLIN PhD

Here is some personal data Miles submitted to VWOA on his background when joining VWOA. What he did for VWOA has been ShowCased in every VWOA YearBook since he joined VWOA. We will miss him.

In 1943 and 1944, while trying to get into the Marines and the Navy, he served in the 23rd Regiment of the New York Guard and worked as a runner on Wall Street. When his eyesight proved too deficient even for the Army, he

went to the Maritime Administration at 45 Broadway in Manhattan on October 4, 1944, and enrolled for training as a "stewards mate third class." At the end of this training at Sheepshead Bay, he was transferred to the Radio Training Station at Hoffman Island on November 30, 1944. As a a culmination of this study, he qualified for an FCC radiotelegraphic license on April 20, 1945, and shipped out on the SS SAMUEL GRIFFIN, a liberty troop ship. After two voyages, one to London and one to Naples, he joined the SS THOMAS J. JARVIS for trips to Cherbourg, Barry, Galveston and Antwerp. In 1946, he sailed on the SAMOSET, a Socony Vacuum tanker running coastwise and to South America. He then took the USMS radar electronics course at Sheepshead Bay. Returning to Socony, he shipped with them on domestic and foreign voyages to the Pacific, Persian Gulf, Europe, and Africa until 1955. During that time he published articles in marine and general publications and wrote a quantity of light and serious verse. He married Virginia Rowley in 1954 and because he was very anxious to guit the sea, wound up in the US Army from 1955 to 1957, where he became a Sergeant in the Signal Corps and an instructor of anti-aircraft fire control radar. After discharge, he went to the University of Maryland where he obtained a B.S. in physics with honors in literature, while going to sea each summer to support his growing family. He taught physics and mathematics in a suburban New Jersey High School, again going to sea in the summers. He received a National Science Foundation grant and a Master's Degree from Temple University. After teaching physics and

aeronautics in an urban high school he worked for the Atomic Energy Commission in Oak Ridge, and Public Service Electric and Gas Company in New Jersey. He obtained his Doctoral Degree from Rutgers University and joined the faculty at a community college in Newark. He was with the college for 25 years as professor, Director of Natural and Applied Science, Director of Academic Foundations, Dean of Career Programs, Director of Academic Foundations, Chairman of Physics and other administrative and supervisory positions. He also served as officer and president of the New Jersey Science Teachers Association and on many state-wide and national committees and projects, involving environmental studies, innovation in college courses in physics and technology, and the development of programs for academic foundations. Along the way, he set up the first college credit course on TV in New Jersey and worked on the implementation of computer and technology applications to education.

He retired in 1993 and does volunteer work. He did computer consulting for one agency assisting the homeless and another providing help for cancer patients. He developed educational programs for the Paper Mill Playhouse and the Edison National Historic Site (for his work here, he was recently recognized by an award by the National Park Service as the Northeast Region's Interpretive Volunteer). He serves on a Municipal Advisory Committee for Cable TV. He coordinated the speech component of the New Jersey Academic Decathalon. He was working with the South Street Seaport Museum to provide computerized school resources. He also

travels extensively with his wife and has recently visited Antarctica, Tahiti, Arctic Norway, Marrakesh, the Orinoco River, Australia, Japan, Korea, China, Malaysia, and many other places. He has been assembling documents and information for a family history which he hopes to complete next year.

POSSIBLE NEWS ITEM OF INTEREST:

On Sunday, 14 August, the History Channel and Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum would be honored to have World War II Veterans join them for a VJ Day 60th Anniversary Commemoration. Ceremonies start promptly at 10:00 A.M. Museum opens at 0830, please arrive early. The day's events will be filmed for a prime time television special airing that night on the History Channel to remember, honor and memorialize this historic milestone. In the spirit of the day, all veterans should wear uniforms, hats, pins or medals from their time in service. Admission to the museum will be complimentary with proper identification. A 20% discount to family and friends accompanied by a veteran will be offered. For more information, please go to www.intrepidmuseum.org. RSVP to the United War Veterans Council at <u>UWVCofNYC@aol.com</u> or (212) 693-0157.

We at the VWOA Newsletter would like to hear from you and try to pass along to the rest of the VWOA stories of events that you have experienced and that you feel the rest of the membership would enjoy hearing about. Send us a picture or two and we will try to include it in one of our Email Newsletters.