

# VWOA NEWSLETTER

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## *Captain Franklin Shellenbarger* *SK 11-25-2008 KC2PS*



**Captain Frank & Mary Shellenbarger at  
the VWOA 2003 Luncheon**

Captain Frank Shellenbarger was a VWOA Life Member and was awarded the Marconi Gold Medal of Achievement. A copy of his Marconi Award is attached as Page Two of this VWOA Newsletter.

He joined the U.S. Navy in 1938 and served during WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Before his enlistment retired, he had been assigned to

the old Sailing Ship Constellation, the battleship Colorado, the destroyer Herbert and the light cruiser Helena. The highlight of his career was being named Master to America's only nuclear ship, the NS Savannah. In 1969, while Captain of the SS Export Ambassador, Capt. Shellenbarger received the American Institute of Merchant Shipping's Ship Safety Achievement Award for the rescue of seven South Korean fishermen from their sinking vessel in the Yellow Sea. Franklin was a Ship Captain and a licensed Ship Master on export carriers for the Merchant Marines. He last sailed in 1979 for the American Export Line. He was the 68th President of the Marine Society of the City of New York, a past grand marshal of the Memorial Day Parade in Point Pleasant. He was also a former trustee of Sailors' Snug Harbor Trust of New York City.

# MARCONI MEMORIAL GOLD MEDAL OF ACHIEVEMENT

## CAPTAIN FRANK SHELLENBARGER

Captain Shellenbarger is a native of Ohio whose family relocated to New York State early in his childhood. After graduation from the Owego Free Academy (New York) in 1936, and a post-graduate year there, he entered the U.S. Navy in January 1938.

His interest in electronics was started about 1934, by a neighbor who had an amateur station in his garage. While in basic training he qualified for the Group A Communication School in San Diego. After graduation from Communication School, he was assigned to the USS Colorado, with a Radioman 3rd Class certificate. He later transferred to the Navigation Division, where his sea time would later qualify him for his original mates license.

He was Honorably Discharged from the Navy in May 1941, as a Flag Signal-Quartermaster on the staff of COMBATSHIPS Atlantic on the USS Texas. He received the American Defense Medal with Fleet Clasp for his service on Neutrality Patrol.

Captain Shellenbarger received his first license and Naval Reserve Commission after graduating from the first class at USMSOS at Fort Trumbull, CT in 1942.

After a short period as a Navigation Instructor at Fort Trumbull, he started to sea with American South African Lines as 2nd Mate on Liberty Ships and then with American Export Lines. After service in all wartime areas, he received his Master's license in early 1946 and continued sailing with AEL in various capacities, including Chief Officer on the Four Aces, and Chief Officer and relieving Master on the Nuclear Ship Savannah.

In 1969, while Master of the S/S Export Ambassador, Captain Shellenbarger received the American Institute of Merchant Shipping, Ship Safety Achievement Award for the rescue of seven South Korean fishermen from their sinking vessel. He also received an award from the government of South Korea.

After retirement from active sailing in July 1979, he formed his own company and has a contract with a major oil company supervising the safety and pollution controls on chemical tankers in New York harbor.

Captain Shellenbarger is the 68th President of the Marine Society of the City of New York, which is a philanthropy in its' 225th year, and is presently Vice President of the Trustees of Sailors' Snug Harbor and serves in the USCG Auxiliary as a Communication Officer. He holds an Amateur Radio operators license (KC2PS) and is active in Emergency Service in the State of New Jersey, and served as Ocean County RACES Officer for eight years, from 1984 until 1992.

Captain Shellenbarger is a Life Member of the American Radio Relay League and is Member #2619-P of the Society of Wireless Pioneers and Member #2437 of the Old Timer's Club. In the mid eighties, he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Elmo Pickerill Chapter of the Society of Wireless Pioneers.

Captain Shellenbarger is married to the former Mary J. Ivil and resides in Point Pleasant, NJ.



*In honoring his many valuable contributions to the art of radio communications, the Veteran Wireless Operators Association is pleased to award the*  
**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**  
*to Captain Frank Shellenbarger*

## WVOA Annual Awards Luncheon

WVOA President Alan Ehrlich has reserved the Top Deck of the SCI for Sunday, June 7, 2009 for the 84th WVOA Awards Luncheon.

The theme will be Meredith Victory (1945), a Victory ship which evacuated 14000 people from Hungnam to Pusan, Korea in one three-day trip during the Korean War.

Please reserve this date on your Social Calendar. I am sure it will be an interesting meeting.

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Your WVOA Editor has been working on digitizing WVOA Yearbooks this past year and one of things noticed, was the lack of contiguous recording of the various WVOA Awards given out since the start of the Awards Program. Towards this end a listing of Awards from 1975 to 1995 has been made so far. They are attached to this WVOA Newsletter to help Members renew their memories of WVOA events and achievements in the wireless world.

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We sadly report that we have received notice recently of the following SK WVOA Members:

Louis R. Mateo WB2MVK

SK on September 10, 2005

A copy of his Marconi Award is attached as Page Seven of this Newsletter

## George R. Brush Jr. SK on January 11, 2009

Proud veteran of the U.S. Army and Merchant Marine. Executive Vice President with ITT World Communications for 37 years.



Grandma & Grandpa Brush April 2006

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## WENDELL'S NEWS CORNER

----- Original Message -----

From: Larry Keander

To: [ftcassidy@optonline.net](mailto:ftcassidy@optonline.net)

Sent: Monday, October 20, 2008 7:41 PM

Subject: ?

Dear Frank: Greetings from Cape Cod. First I want to say that I enjoy the stories and pictures that members have sent to you. My question is may I purchase another WVOA cap. I foolishly put mine in the washer along with clothes and of course, it was ripped apart.

Looking forward for another interesting story.

Thank you. Larry,  
----- Original Message -----

From: Larry Keander

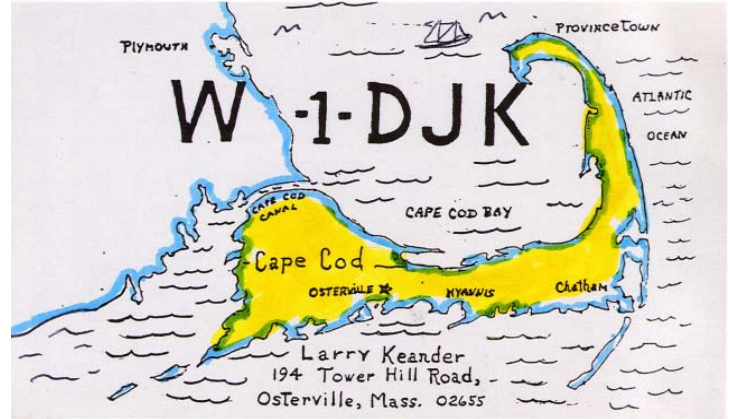
To: [ftcassidy@optonline.net](mailto:ftcassidy@optonline.net)

Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2008 4:32 PM

Subject: RE Request for a Story

I'm sorry Frank but I had a very quiet time while in the AIR CORPS. Nothing unusual happened so I really have nothing of interest to send to you. But I will still look forward to the interesting times of other members. I had two buddies that were very close at all times. Robert Heaven from CA and Ray Kengott now living in FL. Both visited me a few times and both were radio hams. Robert passed away about 10 years ago but I still keep in contact with Ray. They were both in their twenties and I was about 32 so I was always called "Pappy".

I am happy too that Mike has some hats left. I will be proud to wear mine when I go shopping. I didn't renew my driving license this year so have to rely on Grand daughter Lori KB1KFJ to drive me. I will be age 98 in December, the Lord willing, but still active. Rototilled my garden this morning to prepare it for planting in the spring. Looking forward for the mail to leave me the hat. Thanks for forwarding my message to Mike. Regards, Larry.



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----- Original Message -----

From: "David Ring" <[n1ea@arrl.net](mailto:n1ea@arrl.net)>

To: "Francis T Cassidy" <[ftcassidy@optonline.net](mailto:ftcassidy@optonline.net)>

Sent: Thursday, September 04, 2008 8:30 PM

Subject: Re: VWOA Email Newsletter #39

- > I am saddened to hear the news of the passing of Bernie Flatow. He
- > drove Cheryl and me to the VWOA meeting this year after we met him at
- > his home. He drove us back and he was very vigorous even though it
- > was obvious that he had lost a lot of weight since I had seen him five
- > years previously.
- > Is there an address to which I can send a note of condolence to his
- > family along with remarks of my admiration of him and my appreciation
- > of his friendship.
- > 73
- > David J. Ring, Jr., N1EA
- > Member VWOA

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Photo of Bernie Flatow SK supplied by VWOA Member David Ring N1EA to VWOA and the surviving Flatow relatives.

----- Original Message -----

From: VWOA Board of Directors  
John McGonigle nx2f

To: [wenben@nyc.rr.com](mailto:wenben@nyc.rr.com)

Sent: Sunday, November 23, 2008 7:59 PM

Subject: Re: Bernie Flatow SK

Hi Wendell:

Just a note to let you know that my wife Ginny and I attended the memorial service for Bernie at the Merchant Marine Academy Chapel. Walking to the chapel, it felt like it was 50 degrees below zero but we got there OK. It

was attended by over 100-150 people representing the various Veteran groups that Bernie was active in, as well as a good turnout from the Boy Scouts in which he was active for some 60+ years. There were about a half dozen or so speakers plus two Rabbi's who read prayers in both Hebrew and English together with his daughter Roberta who gave a wonderful, heartfelt eulogy for her dad. Bernie's granddaughter, his first love, sang God Bless America accompanied by all present. It was outstanding. Afterwards I spoke with Roberta and she expressed her heartfelt thanks to the VWOA for remembering her dad. I expressed to her our sincere appreciation that Bernie was and will always remain an honored member of VWOA.

Roberta was very appreciative and expressed her thanks to all of us in the VWOA, an organization of which her dad was very, very fond of and was honored to be a part of. The service ended about 4 PM or so and we were invited to a reception at the American Legion Hall in Floral Park to which we also attended.

Thanks again for asking me to represent the VWOA and to be there for Bernie and his family.

Best regards and we wish you and your family a most wonderful Thanksgiving.

73, John

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WVOA Vice President Rick Kenney, who is also Executive Director of the New York Council, Navy League hosted a Luncheon with Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs) Tom Hall. WVOA President Alan Ehrlich, WVOA Member Captain Olav and Liv R. Aune were in attendance.

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs (since October, 2002) Thomas F. Hall made his final presentation to the Council in his current capacity, prior to the change in Administrations. He spoke on "Transition From a Strategic Reserve to an Operational Reserve – Mission Almost Accomplished!"

Secretary Hall is a retired two-star Rear Admiral having served almost 34 years of active duty in the U.S. Navy and was responsible for overall supervision of the 1.2 million member Reserve Component of the Department of Defense.



Photo of Capt. Aune and his wife Liv was taken by Alan Ehrlich at the Luncheon.

The WVOA Editor is desperately in need of news stories . Can you take some time out in the New Year and submit something, short, medium or long. Provide a few Photos as well, hard copy or digital.

We would prefer to hear from you by Email at:

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Or

[wenben@nyc.rr.com](mailto:wenben@nyc.rr.com)

but if you must, send mail to:

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# MARCONI MEMORIAL GOLD MEDAL OF ACHIEVEMENT

LOUIS R. MATEO

Louis was born in Caney, Oriente, Cuba on August 17, 1921.

After high school graduation, he obtained his First Class Radiotelegraph Certificate at the Government's Academy of Communications in Havana. In 1941 he became a Radio Operator on a banana boat and ended World War II on a tanker after sailing in convoys to the United Kingdom. His adventures are narrated in his book *The Banana Boat Romance*.

His first ship was the *M/S Worden* a converted WWI destroyer, owned by the United Fruit Co. and chartered by the Suwannee Fruit & S/S Co. of Jacksonville, Florida operating between the U.S. and the Caribbean, Central America and north coast of Colombia. When ships were getting hard to get due to the war, she was chartered by the War Shipping Administration to carry the U.S. Mail and war material to the Army in Puerto Rico.

During the German U-Boat offensive, ("Operation Pankenschlag") he had some narrow escapes and sent his first "SOS" when the British freighter *La Paz* was torpedoed near Cape Hatteras and helped in her rescue and grounding at Cocoa Beach, Florida.

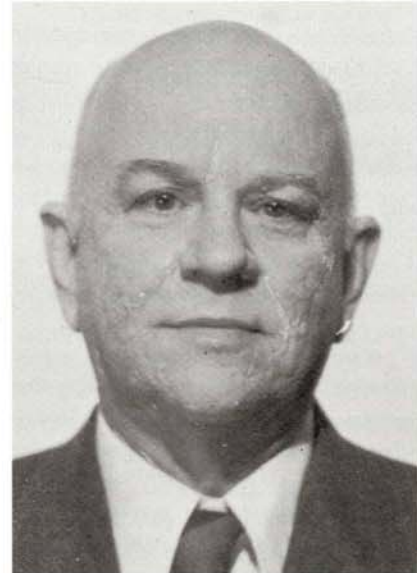
After World War II ended, he sailed for awhile on a Liberty ship carrying aid to some devastated ports in Europe, under the Marshall Plan and finally, on cargo/passengers combination vessels to Central and South America. His total sea service was a little over twenty years.

In 1963 he thought that he was retired from the ships, but the future reserved him a surprise. He worked ashore as technician with the Radio Electronic Labs; ACR Electronics and then with ITT MacKay Marine, installing and repairing communications and navigation equipments on the ships and assisting the F.C.C. radio engineers in testing them for the issuance of the S.L.S. yearly certificate.

This activity lasted 19 years. In a few occasions he sailed as a R/O on sea trials, like in the case of the Supertanker *Brooklyn* where he also worked on her radio installation. She was, at that time, the biggest one built at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Now, retired together with his wife Elizabeth and with a lot of memories to enjoy and share, Lou is an active radio amateur (WB2MVK) and has written and published several historical articles. Among them "Federal Arc Transmitter"; "The Edison Effect"; "Fessenden, Alexanderson and the Alternator"; "Go to Sea, Young Man/Young Woman"; "Sparking in South America"; "The Spark-Against-Arc Competition of 1912" and others. He belongs to the VWOA, SOWP, ARRL, AWA and is a certified First Class Engineer from NARTE. He holds a First Class Radiotelegraph FCC License with radar endorsement.

In recognition of his many years of service to merchant marine communications and his devotion to preserving radio communication matters that are remarkable of remembrance for historical purposes, the Veteran Wireless Operators Association is pleased to award the Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement to Louis R. Mateo.



## 1975

### **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Eugene D. Becken:** President, RCA Global Communications

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Frank Dvorsky:** U.S. Air Force Electronics Engineer (Ret.)

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Captain Huron C. Moore:** Naval Radio Communications (Ret.)

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Benjamin Wolfe:** Vice President, Engineering, Post-Newsweek Stations, Inc.

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Col. W. J. Baird (USA, Ret):** Armed Forces Communications

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Paul Ives, Jr.:** Chairman, Am. Pilots Association Electronics Committee

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Robert E. Lee:** FCC Commissioner

## 1976

### **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Francis Thomas Cassidy:** President USTS/Director, ITT World Communications

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**John McKenna:** Vice President, RCA Global Communications

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Lt. Russell A. Langdon USN (Ret):** Radio Photo Communications, Naval Communications

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Honor**

**Arthur Clarence Goodnow:** Radio Engineer, Westinghouse

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**William A. Leonard II:** Senior Vice President, CBS News

**1977**

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Eugene H. Rietzke:** Founder of Capitol Radio Engineering Institute

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Frank O. Braynard:** Marine Writer/Historian

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Julius Barnathan:** President-Broadcast Operations and Engineering, ABC

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Patrick O'Keefe:** Writer of Sea, Mystery and Detective Stories

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**George Jacobs:** Voice of America

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Bente Knudson:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, M/V Norse Variant

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Kari Bergelien:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, M/V Anita

## **Honorary Award**

**Bertram S. Diamond:** Engineer Commercial Cable Co., ITT Communications

## **1978**

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Joseph V. Charyk:** President, Communications Satellite Corporation

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**John T. Wilner:** Director of Engineering, NJ State Public Broadcasting System

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**M. Harvey Strichartz:** American Radio Association

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**George W. Bartlett:** Vice President, Engineering National Association of Broadcasters

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Robert J. Doherty:** Organized the special program to commemorate 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Marconi's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Marconi's first two-way trans-Atlantic message

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**United States Coast Guard:** Accepted by Capt. John N. MacDonald AMVER Center, New York

**1979**

**DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**George E. Sterling:** Accepted by: Com. Robert E. Lee FCC Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission

**1980**

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Viggo Madsen:** Electronic Inspector, Gulf Oil Corporation

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**G. Porter Houston:** Page Communications and Broadcast Engineer

**Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Captain Robert W. Miller, USCG:** U.S.C.G. Search & Rescue Branch, Third CG District

**1981**

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Vernon P. Wilson:** Chief, Regional Services Division, FCC Washington

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Paul Anselmo:** Director, ARA Technology Institute for Maritime Electronics

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Hoyt Haddock:** President American Radio Association

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**James C. Hepburn:** Vice President, RCA Global Communications

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**George B. Riley:** Engineering Supervisor, WOR

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Col. Allen Barnabei USAF (Ret):** Department of Commerce

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Joseph Vyhnak:** (posthumously) Radio Office, SS Poet

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**David Staier:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, SS Mezada

**1982**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Dr. Keats A. Pullen Jr.:** Author of technical reports and papers/  
Professional Engineer

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Professor Robert E. Stuhler:** Professional Engineer, Educator at  
Columbia University School of Mines

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Capt. Gordon F. Hempton USCG (Ret):** Chief of  
Communications USCG

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award Lt. Col. Harry Blatt**

**USAFR (Ret):** Manager, Telecommunications TWA, New York

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Paul Conarty:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, SS Elma Tres

**1983**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Honor**

**John B. McKinney:** Chairman of the Board, ITT World Communications

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Harvey R. Butt Sr.:** Radio Corporation of America/Radiomarine

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Edmund A. Gruenewald:** Manager-Marine Service, RCA Service Company

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Rev. William M. Haynsworth:** Seaman's Church Institute

## **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Albion F. Lane:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, SS Marine Electric

**1984**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Norman B. Mills:** Radio Corporation of America, Frequency Bureau

**1985**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Irv Hurwitz:** Federal Communications Commission

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Harry R. Smith:** ITT Mackay Marine Radio Chief Engineer

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**John C. Anderson Sr.:** Manager, WMH Marine Radio, Baltimore

**1986**

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**William C. Taylor:** ITT World Communications Vice President

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Alfred L. Ritter:** Federal Communication Commission

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Thomas J. Finneran:** ITT Vice President of Marine Operations

**1987**

**Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Danilo S. Pajaragan:** (posthumously) Radio Officer, M/V VALSA  
24/DUTY

**1988**

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Charles R. Shanholtzer:** Maritime Administration New York  
School

**Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**David J. Ring Jr.:** First Assistant Radio Officer on the T/T  
WILLIAMSBURGH/WGOA

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**James N. Pfister:** Chief Radio Officer of on the T/T  
WILLIAMSBURGH/WGOA

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Carleton H. Gray:** RTCM Board of Directors

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Oscar Reed Jr.:** Atlantic Research Corporation

**1989**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Herman Arond:** Merchant Marine (Ret.) & Teacher at Ardsley  
Middle School, Ardsley, NY

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**Thomas C. Harper:** President of the Radio Officers Union

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**David Kintzer:** RCA Marine Radio, Administrator of Maritime  
Services

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Service**

**William R. Steinberg:** President of ARA

## **DeForest Audion Gold Medal Award**

**Morris Tischler:** Consultant and Lecturer

## 1990

### Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement

**Charles Dana Gibson:** In recognition of his many years of specialization to maritime history and especially for his continuing efforts to successfully win veteran status for World War II mariners. Author of many books including *The Ordeal of Convoy NY-119*, and *Merchantman? Or Ship of War?*.

**Louis R. Mateo:** In recognition of his many years of service to merchant marine communications and his devotion to preserving radio communications matters are remarkable of remembrance for historical purposes. Radio officer in war and peace. Author *The Banana Boat Romance* and many journal articles.

**Raymond P. Redwood SK:** In recognition of his many years of service as Radio Officer in the merchant marine and as the writer who successfully published *QTC* which concentrated on the human interest aspect of radio communications at sea. Retired RAF and merchant marine radio operator.

**Edward F. Pleuler Jr.:** In recognition of his many years of dedicated service to the field of merchant marine radio communications and his ardent devotion to the VWOA.

### Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor

**Albert E. Merrikin:** (*posthumously*), Radio Officer, *SS Texaco Oklahoma*. Died at his post.

## 1991

### Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement

**David W. Winter SK:** Chief Radio Officer and retired Chief Engineer of New York radio station WEVD.

**Norman Brouwer:** Historian and Curator, South Street Seaport Museum.

## **Marconi Memorial Award Plaque**

**Joseph J. Fairclough:** Educator and author *Education thru Communication*. President, Radio Club of JHS22 (New York City).

**Peter W. Kemp KZ1Z:** Educator and amateur radio author.

**Carole Perry:** Educator and author *Introduction to Amateur Radio*.

## **Marconi Memorial Service Award Plaque**

**SS JEREMIAH O'BRIEN:** museum ship in San Francisco, CA

**SS JOHN W. BROWN:** museum ship in Baltimore, MD

**SS LANE VICTORY:** museum ship in San Pedro, CA

**1992**

## **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**John Z. Alexander:** Chief Radio Officer; Comsat Mobile Communications Sales Manager. 22nd President of the VWOA.

**J. Michael Shaw:** Marine Electronics Service Engineer, ITT. 19th President of the VWOA.

## **Marconi Memorial Award Plaque**

**Kenneth W. Bilby:** Assisted in the production of *Empire of the Air*.

**Ken Burns:** Producer and Director of *Empire of the Air*.

**Susan Douglas:** Assisted in the production of *Empire of the Air*.

**Frank A. Gunther:** VWOA member, consultant in the production of *Empire of the Air*.

**Jeanne Hammond:** Researcher for *Empire of the Air*.

**Bruce Kelley:** Wireless historian, Curator of the Antique Wireless Association Museum, consultant to *Empire of the Air*.

**Robert M. Morris:** Consultant in the production of *Empire of the Air*.

**Dana M. Raymond:** Researcher for *Empire of the Air*.

**Gertrude H. Tyne:** Researcher for *Empire of the Air*.

**Morgan Wesson:** Researcher for *Empire of the Air*.

**Edward F. Perry Jr.:** Recipient of the Edward R. Murrow Award for WATD-FM, Marshfield, MA, for excellence.

## 1993

### Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement

**Otto R. Claus:** Chief Radio Officer; President of the Broadcast Technology Society, IEEE.

**Lewis Coe:** Wireless historian and author of *The Domestic Radiotelegraph System*.

**Jimmy Dezauche Jr.:** Established WLO Radio in Mobile, Alabama.

### Marconi Memorial Award Plaque

**Henry L. Bertonia:** Head, Department of Electrical Engineering at Polytechnic University.

**Gerald Skloot:** Educator who introduced over a thousand young people to amateur radio.

## 1994

### Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement

**Edgar S. Johnson SK:** ARA Radio Electronics Officer

**Dwight I. Temple SK:** CBS Office of Scientific Research and Development

### **Marconi Memorial Award Plaque**

**Capt. Richard G. Beadon:** Director of Continuing Education at the Center for Maritime Education.

**James J. Fitzpatrick III:** Director of Operations of the Center for Maritime Education.

**Eric K. Larsson:** Director of the Center for Maritime Education.

**Diana Mackay Eigen:** Radio Operator in the Royal Air Force during WW 2.

**Jacqueline Goodsir:** Chief Radio Officer; President of the Women's Maritime Association.

**Patricia P. Sands:** Director of Volunteer Programs at South Street Seaport Museum.

### **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Maung Maue Htus:** *(posthumously)*, Radio Officer, *SS Marika*. Died at his post.

**1995**

### **Marconi Memorial Gold Medal of Achievement**

**Glenn H. Lahman:** Manager, Westinghouse Central License Bureau and President Westinghouse Communication Services

**Anthony J. Marraccini:** President, AAT Communications Corporation

**Robert W. Merriam:** Professional Engineer & founder of the New England Wireless & Steam Museum.

**Capt. Frank Shellenbarger:** Master of the S/S Export & Ambassador, Consultant, USCG Auxiliary Communications Officer

### **David Kintzer Memorial Plaque**

**Francis T. Cassidy:** Chairman of the Board, VWOA, since 1990

### **Marconi Memorial Scroll of Honor**

**Serhiy B. Bukov:** *(posthumously)*, Radio Officer, *SS Salvador Allende*. Died at his post.

**Hepolito Elanga:** *(posthumously)*, Radio Officer, *SS Polydoros*. Died at his post.

**Olexander V. Lagno:** *(posthumously)*, Chief Radio Officer, *SS Salvador Allende*. Died at his post.