

Douglas Harned & Hanna Johnson Ring Photo Family History

Including Other Family Members:

Margaret Johanna “Ring” & Peter Bacigalupo

Holly Bacigalupo & Dr. Paul Remmes

Michael Remmes

Peter Remmes

John Remmes

Christine Remmes

Jimmy Remmes

Shane Bacigalupo & Patrice Bissonneault Bacigalupo

Anthony (Tony) Bacigalupo

Austin Douglas Bacigalupo

Lance Bacigalupo

Catherine Grace “Ring” Saliba & John Saliba

John Henry Saliba III

Mary Saliba

Wendy Jane “Saliba” & Robert Andrew Leonard

Avery Leonard

Mason Leonard

Davis Leonard

Selden Leonard

This information was collected by Charlotte A. & Clinton E. Ring (Douglas Ring was Clinton’s brother) over the years from pictures, letters, etc. they received from the above named people. Some additional information from Steve and Al Ring and other family members.

By Al Ring, 2007

2. Ambrose Ely Ring (See Harned Line)
born: August 5, 1883
died: February 29, 1952
married Grace Emily Harned on December 8, 1905
born: June 21, 1883
died: November 9, 1967
children: 1) Douglas Harned Ring b. 3-28-1907
2) Elizabeth Hunt Ring b. 9-22-1908
3) Clinton Eugene Ring b. 10-1-1915

1. Douglas Harned Ring
born: March 28, 1907
married Hanna Johnson on November 8, 1935
children: 1) Margaret Johanna Ring b. 5-31-1936
2) Catharine Grace Ring b. 5-30-1939

Douglas Harned Ring, the first child of Ambrose and Grace Ring, was born on March 28, 1907, at 536 West Mercury Street, in Butte, Montana (AER diary).

He attended Washington State College in Pullman, Washington for one year. He then entered Stanford University, where he earned a degree in electrical Engineering. He graduated around 1931 completing a six year course in five years. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa (CER).

After graduation, Douglas was hired by A. T. & T. He became "a member of the technical staff of the Bell Laboratories at Holmdel." New Jersey (New York Times, 13 November 1935). In February, 1947, Doug received a medal from the U.S. Navy Department for his work in the development of radar (AER diary). He spent his later working years at the Bell Laboratories at Holmdel (CER).

Douglas married Hanna Johnson on November 8, 1935, in the Presbyterian Church In Red Bank, New Jersey. The service was conducted "by the Rev. John A. Hayes." Hanna was a high school journalism teacher in Red Bank. She was a graduate of the University of Minnesota (New York Times 13 November 1935). She and Douglas built a home in Red Bank (CER).

According to Douglas' brother, Clinton, "Douglas loved to travel and over the years visited many parts of the world. His wife Hannah died in the mid 80's and Douglas continues to live in Red Bank at a retirement home - and finds enjoyment in keeping up with his grandchildren and great-grandchild" (CER, October 1992).

Children of Douglas & Hanna Ring

1. Margaret Johanna Ring
born: May 31, 1936
married Peter Bacigalupo (divorced 1975)
children: 1) Shane Bacigalupo
2) Lance Bacigalupo
3) Holly Bacigalupo

2. Catherine Grace Ring
born: May 30, 1939
married John Saliba (divorced)
children: 1) John Saliba
2) Wendy Saliba
3) Mary Saliba

The below information is mainly from Ambrose and Clinton Ring diaries, with additional help from Al Ring and other family members.

1907, March 28th., Douglas Harned Ring born at 536 W. Mercury Street, Butte, Montana, of parents Ambrose and Grace Ring. About 20th - left for Flat River, Missouri to take job as junior engineer at Federal Lead Company. Went to live at Farmington, Missouri. December all work suspended because of panic. Worked part of time on camp light plant.

1908, September 22, Elizabeth Hunt Ring, Douglas's sister born.

1911 April 13, Cyclone at Flat River.

1912 October, Moved to Flat River Missouri.

1915, October 1, Clinton Eugene Ring, Douglas's brother born.

1917 January 7, Ambrose went to Fredericktown as Superintendent, Phoenix Fleming Lease. March moved family to Fredericktown. April & May - all 3 children had measles. November 1, Closed Phoenix Fleming. November 12 left for New York. November 14, Grace taken down with pneumonia at Ella's (Highbridge). November 27 left New York for Fredericktown to finish packing. Stored furniture in Bess Hardware company basement. December 5 - left for Creede, Colorado as Assistant Manager, Creede Exploration company.

1918 Ambrose Ring made Manager in April. May 27 - Grace and kids came to Creede from New York. In draft of September 12, 1918.

1919 July 1, Closed down Creede Exploration Company. Stayed in Creede for summer. October 1 - moved to 807 Spruce Street, Leadville. Investigated Yak Milling and got milling program started.

1920, April 7, Left for Hailey, Idaho as Manager - North Star - Independence Mines of Federal Mining & Smelting company under M. F. Burbidge.

1925, April 13, Transferred to Salt Lake office - AS&R Company as engineer. Left Hailey April 12th. Brought family down in June. In the apartment were Mother, Dad, Elizabeth, & Douglas when he wasn't away at college at Washington State (1yr) and Stanford.

1930, Douglas in Salt Lake during summer - Was recent graduate of Stanford University & was going with Bell Labs at AT & T. Earned a degree in electrical Engineering, a six year course in five years.

1935, November 8, Douglas married Hanna Johnson

1936, May 31, Margaret Johanna Ring first daughter to Doug & Hanna born.

1939, May 30, Catherine Grace Ring born to Douglas & Hanna Ring.

1947, February, Douglas received medal from U. S. Navy Department for outstanding research during the war on radar. Also responsible at this time for development on future Mobile Phone.

1950 July Douglas and family drove out to visit Elizabeth (Ft. Harrison, Montana.) Both families went to Yellowstone Park.

1952, Father Ring (Ambrose) died February 29, 1952 (coronary thrombosis) I flew to Tucson & Douglas & Elizabeth came out. Dr. Glen McGee of Trinity Presbyterian Officiated - gift made to church (decorative Iron Gate on Church grounds). Body cremated & ashes stored - later were buried with Mother Ring's ashes in East Lawn Cemetery on Grant Road, Tucson - Mother continued to live at their home 2001 E. Elm. (Dad was 68 yrs.).

1959, August 28, Margaret Ring married Peter Bacigalupo.

1960, November 16, Holly Bacigalupo born to Margaret and Peter Bacigalupo.

1963, September 7, Wendy Saliba was born to Cathy & John Saliba.

1964, August 11, Shane Bacigalupo born to Margaret and Peter Bacigalupo.

1965, December 10, Mary Saliba was born to Cathy & John Saliba.

1967, November 9, Grace Harned Ring, Douglas Ring's mother died in Tucson. The Cathy Saliba family visited Charlotte & Clinton Ring in Louisville, Kentucky.

1969, May 30, John Saliba was born to Cathy & John Saliba.

1970, August 1, Lance Bacigalupo Holly Bacigalupo born to Margaret and Peter Bacigalupo.

1972, Douglas Ring retired.

1976, Margaret Johanna Ring Bacigalupo divorced Peter Bacigalupo.

1979, February 18 - 30, sister Elizabeth & Gordon (from Oregon) and Douglas (from New Jersey) were here for "family reunion" - it was wonderful and first time we had all been together - they stayed at Double Tree Inn - Desert Museum, Mt. Lemon, Kit Peak, etc.

1979, April, Mary Saliba, "Miss Junior Miss" contest.

1979, October 1, Hanna Ring died. (80)

1980, February, Douglas Ring and Gordon and Elizabeth Spendlove visited Tucson.

1981, Cathy & John Saliba divorced.

1988, June 25, Holly Bacigalupo married Dr. Paul Remmes.

1990, April, Wendy Jane Saliba married Robert "Rob" Andrew Leonard.

1990, November 28, Michael Remmes born to Holly and Dr. Paul Remmes.

1991, May, Douglas in Denver for grandson John's graduation.

1991, May 11, Shane Bacigalupo married to Patrice Bissonneault.

1991, November 6, Peter Remmes born to Holly and Dr. Paul Remmes.

1992, February 15, Anthony (Tony) Bacigalupo born to Shane and Patrice Bacigalupo.

1992, March 25, Anne Avery Leonard born to Wendy and Rob Leonard.

1993, April 30, John Saliba (Douglas' Grandson) visited from Phoenix - he is attending "Thunderbird" School International Business.

1993, September 17, Twins, John & Christine Remmes born to Holly and Dr. Paul Remmes.

1994, June 8, Mason Ring Leonard born to Wendy and Rob Leonard.

1994, December 12, Douglas and Cathy visited Tucson, Arizona.

1995, February 17, Austin Douglas born to Shane and Patrice Bacigalupo.

1996, December 13, Douglas - while at grocery store (4:00PM) He "Blacked Out" and drove "around" - ending up in Jersey City (maybe 45 miles) after stopping for gas near there at 1:00 AM police report). He had driven his car over an embankment & smashed it against an old railroad track in a deserted construction area - A security Patrol found him about 4:00AM - In hospital several days - small heart attack - only a stiff back as an injury - he was so lucky.

1996, March 8, Davis Johanna Leonard born to Wendy and Rob Leonard.

1997, February 21, James Robert Remmes born to Holly and Dr. Paul Remmes.

1998, Phoned Douglas & Elizabeth - Doug ok - Elizabeth has had problems and fell in bathtub & hurt ribs - getting better.

1998, March 16, Selden Charles Leonard, born to Wendy and Rob Leonard.

1998, March, Peter Bacigalupo died former husband of Margaret Bacigalupo.

1998 October 23, My cousin, Cathy Ring's son, John Saliba called – moved to Tucson from Denver to operate his motorbike tour business in Mexico, Copper Canyon and Thailand – World Trek Expeditions – dinner at club with Bob & Al.

1999, March 2, John Saliba for dinner at SCV.

1999 September 15, John Saliba for lunch – he had spent time in N.J. – Cathy & Doug, ok.

2000 February 15, John Saliba called as he had talked with Cathy & Douglas – Doug in hospital after diabetic attack that insulin fixed – been there several days to determine future insulin & diet program. I talked with him and he is fine.

2000 March 20, John Saliba – lunch – Mexico, Ireland and Peru tours scheduled.

2000, September 8, Douglas H. Ring died living at Red Bank, Monmouth, New Jersey. (93)
June – My brother Douglas started having terminal medical problems. Living in Blythe House (Assisted Living) he was falling a lot and developed memory problems – he was suffering from small strokes – moved to nursing home for therapy & good improvement to mid August.—Had bad stroke on 8/15 – couldn't talk or swallow and paralysis on right side – therapy continued. By 9/1 could feed himself with help, could speak in garbled way and had some understanding. Doctors not optimistic---on 9/2 had congestive heart failure, fluid in lungs and pneumonia developed---Douglas died at 1:00 AM September 8—comatose, asleep, peaceful.---Services just for family on 9/10. Maggie and Cathy's son John were there. Was buried in same area as wife Hanna.---(Note: Doug's last week was a replay of Charlotte's last several days).

2002 January 15, Had John Saliba for lunch.

2002 July 31, Niece Cathy Saliba from New Jersey visited her son John here in Tucson and we had a good visit – family and all dinner at SCV

2003 March 8, John Saliba died in Bangkok (33) – he was arranging a future bicycle tour – died at night – no real explanation. Big gathering at John's house 3/22 – friends, clients, family---his mother Cathy (from N. Jersey) was there.

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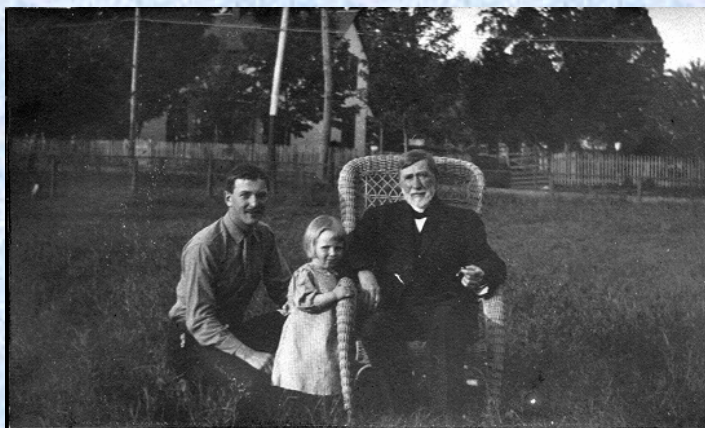
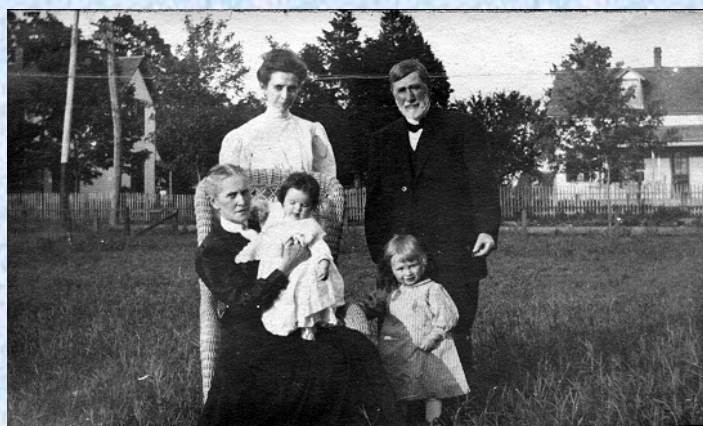
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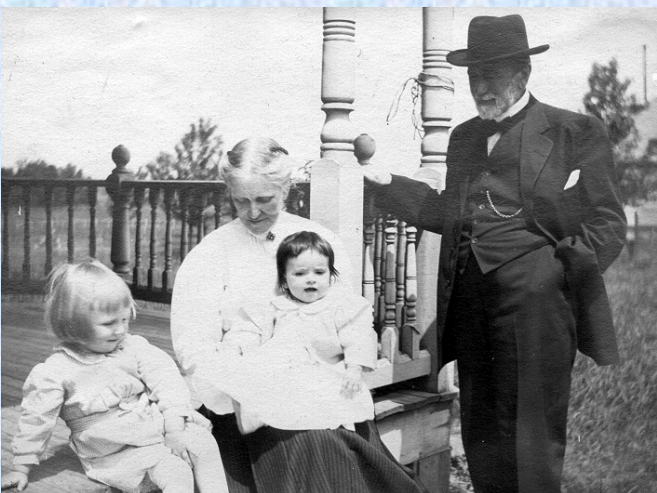
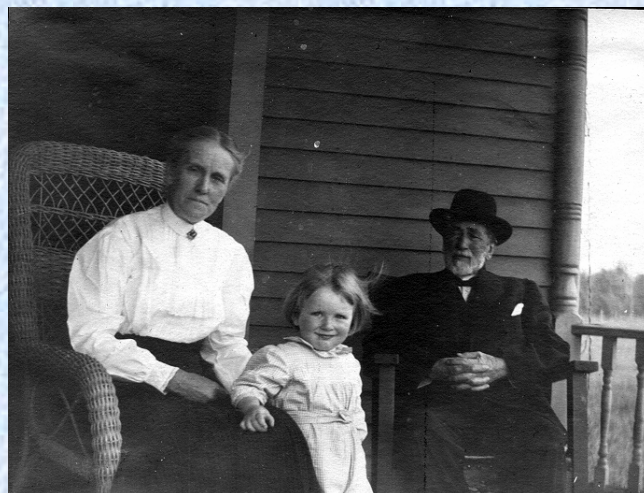
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Company house at Federal Hill from 1912 to 1917



Beulah, Aunt Alice, Grace, Clinton, Douglas, Elizabeth, Flat River, 1916



Grandma, Douglas, Elizabeth, Flat River 1916



Flat River, MO., 1916, on Federal Hill, Sister Elizabeth, Grandmother Emma Ring (from NY), Clinton and Brother Douglas



Elizabeth, Clinton, Douglas, Flat River, MO 1916



Family home on Spruce Street, Leadville, Colorado, November 1919



Douglas Ring,
unknown date



Douglas & Elizabeth, October 1915, Flat River, MO



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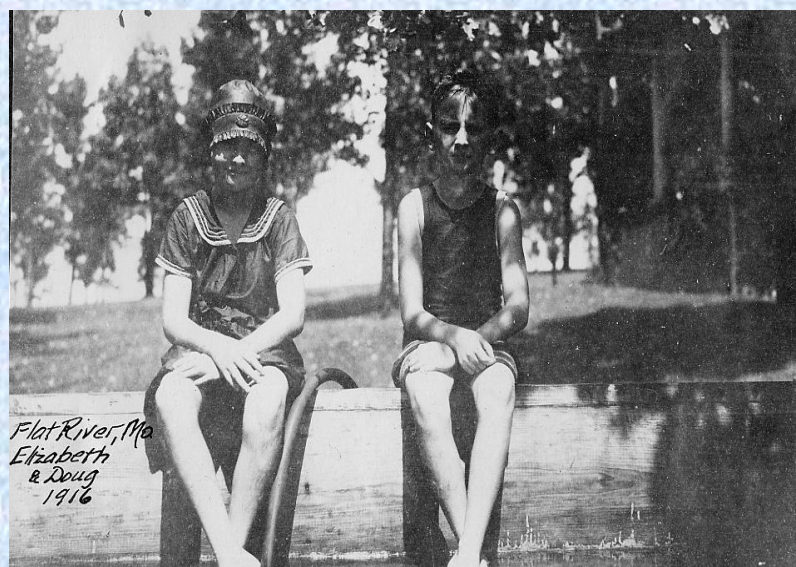
Douglas, Flat River, MO, October 1915



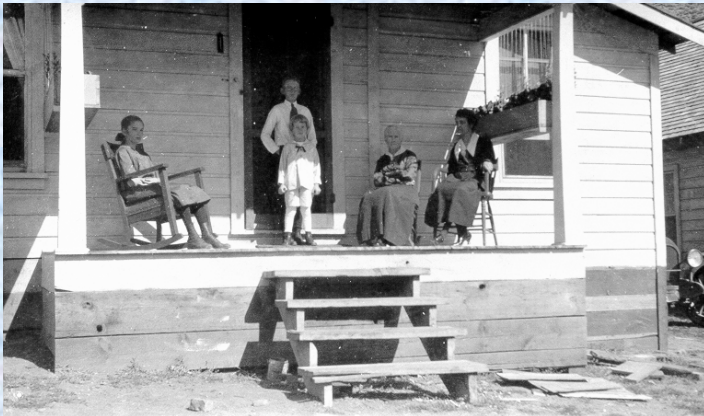
Clinton & Douglas Ring



Douglas, 1916, Flat River, MO



Elizabeth & Douglas, Flat River, MO, 1916



North Star Mine, our front porch, Elizabeth, Douglas,
Clinton, Emma (Grandma) Ring and Grace.
Grandma visiting from New York City
1920



E. L. Ring, Douglas, Grace, Clinton, Elizabeth Ring,
September 1920



Picnic lunch on Lost River, September 1920,
Douglas, Clinton, Grace and Grandma



Christmas, our apartment in Salt Lake City, 1935/26,
Clinton, Douglas & Elizabeth



Elizabeth, Clinton, Douglas, around 1928/29



Douglas



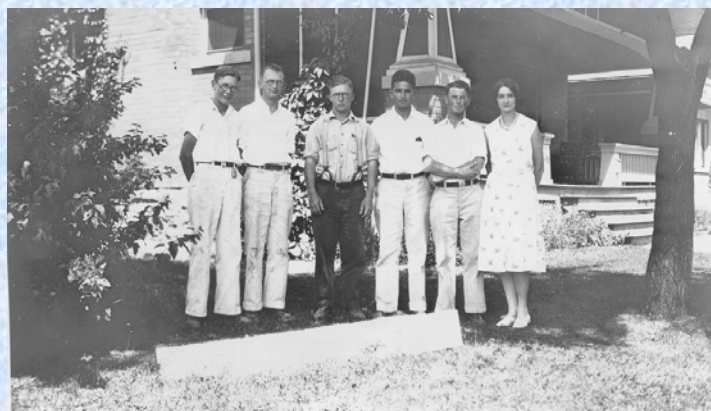
1924 Yellowstone Trip, Douglas and the Ground Hog, Canyon Camp



1924 Yellowstone Trip, Clinton & Douglas and the Ground Hog, Canyon Camp



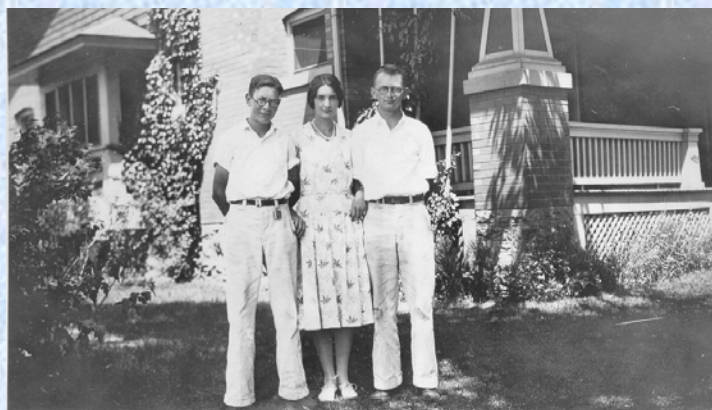
Douglas at Sequoia Hall, Sanford, November 1929



Salt Lake, August 1930, Clinton, Douglas, Harold Bogart (visiting), ???, ???, Elizabeth



Salt Lake, August 1930, ?????, Harold Bogart, Elizabeth, ?????, Douglas & Clinton



Salt Lake, August 1930, Clinton, Elizabeth & Douglas

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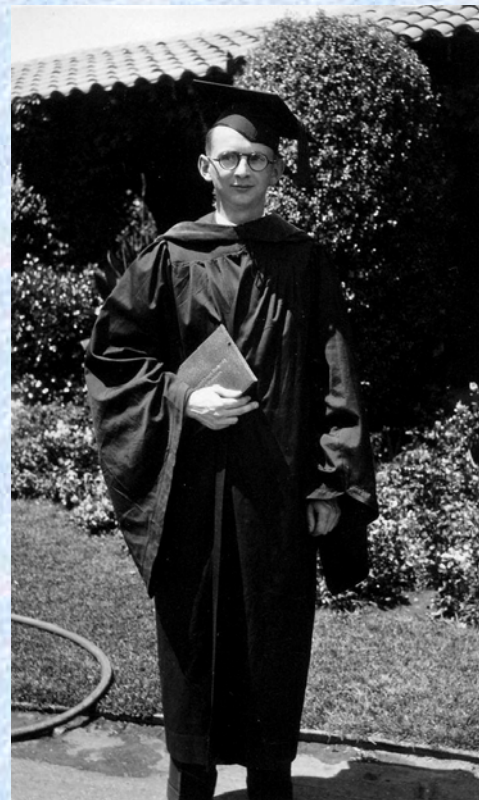
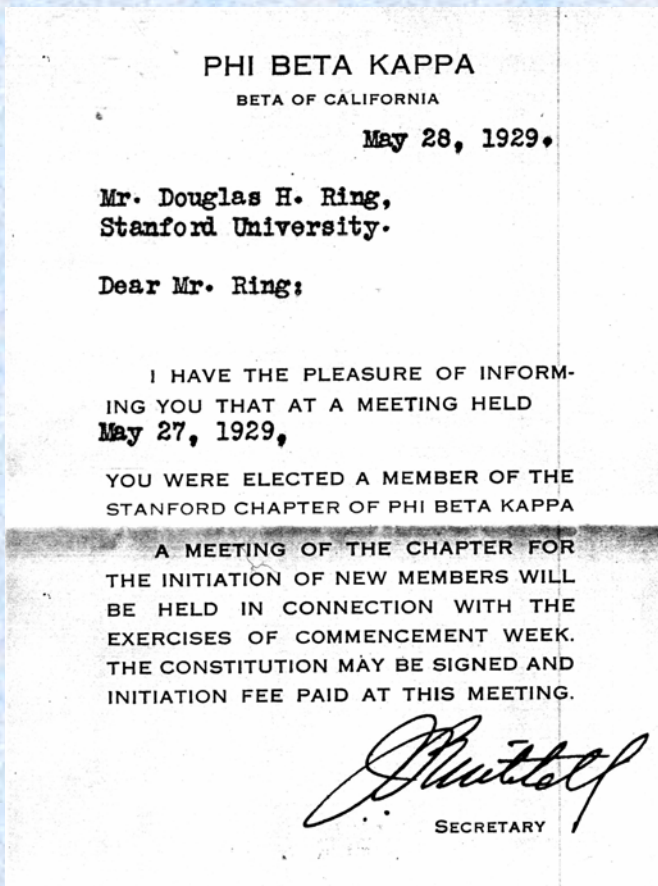
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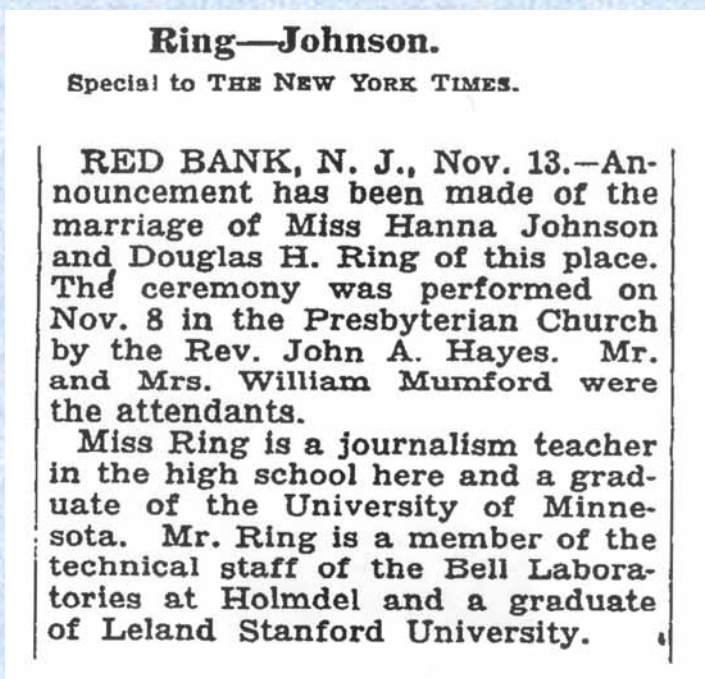
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Douglas at Graduation 1930



New York Times, November 14, 1935



Grace, Ambrose, Margaret Johanna, Hanna
and Catherine Grace Ring, 1939



Peter, Margaret Hanna Bacigalupo, Sharon & Hally (Howara) 1965



Louisville visit 1967, John & Cathy Saliba with Wendy & Mary



Douglas & Hanna Ring Family:

1967 to 1977

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Elizabeth, Hanna Ring, Clinton & Charlotte Ring, November 9, 1967 at Grace Harned Ring house for her funeral



Doug & Hanna, Cathy's children, 1969



Cathy & John Saliba, Wendy & John (1 1/2)



Douglas Ring retirement, February 22, 1972, Margaret, Hanna, Doug & Cathy



John & Cathy Saliba, Cathy, Wendy, Johnny, July 1977



Doug & Hanna Ring, 1977



Mary (13) & John Saliba (9), May, 1978



Mary Saliba, "Miss Junior Miss" contest, April 1979



Douglas, Elizabeth & Gordon, Desert Museum Feb. 19, 1980, Tucson



Gordon, Douglas & Elizabeth, Mt. Lemmon, "Windy Point", Feb. 20, 1980



Clinton (64), Elizabeth (71), Douglas (72 3/4), Mt. Lemmon, Feb. 20, 1980

Douglas & Hanna Ring Family:

1980

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Kitt Peak Feb. 1980, Gordon, Elizabeth & Douglas



Gordon, Elizabeth, Charlotte, Douglas, Feb. 29, 1980



Clinton, Charlotte, Elizabeth, Douglas, Feb. 29, 1980



Clinton, Elizabeth, Douglas, Feb. 29, 1980



Elizabeth & Douglas, Yachats, Oregon, July 1980



Elizabeth & Douglas, July 1980

March 29 '80

Dear Clinton,

I am ashamed about the lateness of this letter. At first I was waiting to get the pictures back but then the time just slipped by. I got the letter you forwarded.

The trip to Tucson was the best thing that ~~has~~ happened to me in a long time. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed visiting with you and all the others. I really enjoyed the trips and I haven't had so much good eating in years. I certainly want to thank you and Charlotte for everything.

Your house is absolutely marvelous - the location, the views, the garden, the house - all are perfect.

I had a little thrill on the way home. The plane came in to land in St Louis and the runway was snow covered and icy. It touched down and then zoomed up and took off again - no explanation of what was wrong but it flew around for quite a while before finally landing. Then

there was a long delay after we landed so it was about 2 hours late getting into Newark. I drove home from Newark in a snowstorm! Some change from Tucson.

Haven't had any real snowstorms this month but it has been cool and there has been two or three times the normal rain - raining all day today. The grass is just beginning to turn green and there are a lot of crocuses blooming around the yard. It will soon be time to start the spring clean up, fertilizing planting and stuff. Have to get out before I lose all my Tucson tan.

Hope you are all O.K. and that Charlotte's mother is better.

Doug

Douglas & Hanna Ring Family:

1980 to 1991

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Gordon & Douglas, Oregon, July 1980



Douglas, Elizabeth, Oregon Coast, July 1980



Denver for John Saliba's graduation from Colorado College., Gordon & son Gordon, John Saliba, Douglas Ring, Elizabeth, Sharel & Cathy, John's mother, 1991



Denver for John Saliba's graduation from Colorado College, Douglas (84), John Cathy Ring Saliba (52), May 1991



Lance, Shane, Holly, Margaret, Michael and Douglas June 20, 1991, Holly's husband Paul took the picture



Alli with her uncle during his spring break, April 1991

The New York Times

Robert Leonard And Miss Saliba To Marry in July

Published: April 1, 1990

LEAD: The engagement of Wendy Jane Saliba to Robert Andrew Leonard, a son of Judge and Mrs. Charles Leonard of Merrick, L.I., has been announced by the parents of the bride-to-be, Catherine Saliba of East Brunswick, N.J., and John Saliba of Keene, N.H. A July wedding is planned.

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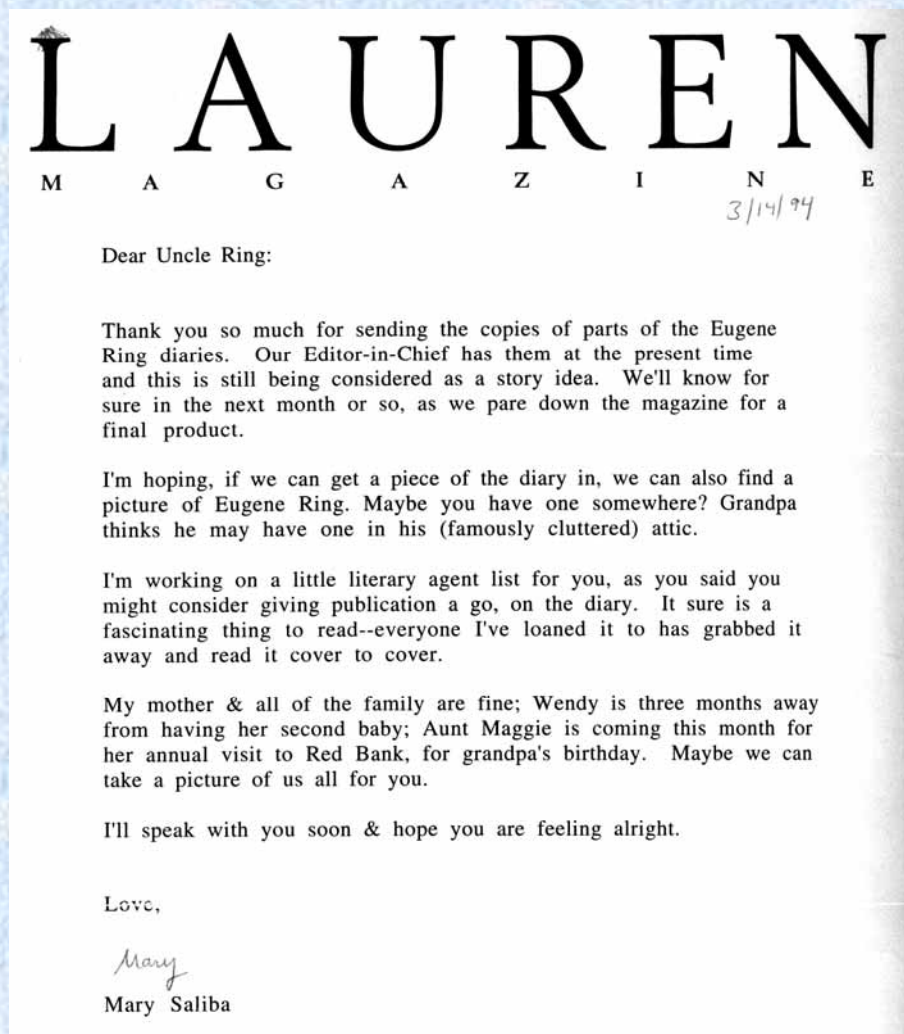
Miss Saliba attended St. Paul's School in Concord, N.H., and Hampshire College, and graduated from Friends World College. She received a master's degree in linguistics from Columbia University and is to receive an M.B.A. degree in June from Northwestern University. Miss Saliba's father is the vice president of corporate systems and services at the National Grange Mutual Insurance Company and the president of N.G.M. Information Systems and Services, both in Keene. Her mother is an actress and registered nurse. Mr. Leonard graduated cum laude from Columbia University, where he also received an M.A. and Ph.D. in linguistics. A founder with his brother George of the rock group Sha Na Na, Mr. Leonard is the vice president for administration at the Friends World College in Lloyd Harbor, L.I. His mother, Adele Leonard, is the executive director of the Nassau County Civil Service Commission in Mineola, L.I. His father is a Federal administrative law judge in Hempstead, L.I.



John Saliba, April 1993 in Tucson



John Saliba, April 1993 in Tucson with Clinton





Clinton (79), Doug (87) visited December 12, 1994 with daughter Cathy, who came to see son graduate from the International Business School



Doug & Cathy (55) in Tucson, Cathy is a critical Nurse in the Heart Department of a hospital in East Brunswick NJ, during the week she works in TV Soap Operas & "Voice Over" job in TV & movies



Doug & Cathy. Doug retired from AT & T (at Holmdale) Red Bank, NJ. He received an award after WWII for helping to adapt radar to ships



Doug & Cathy. In Tucson, December 1994



Cathy & Bob, December 1994



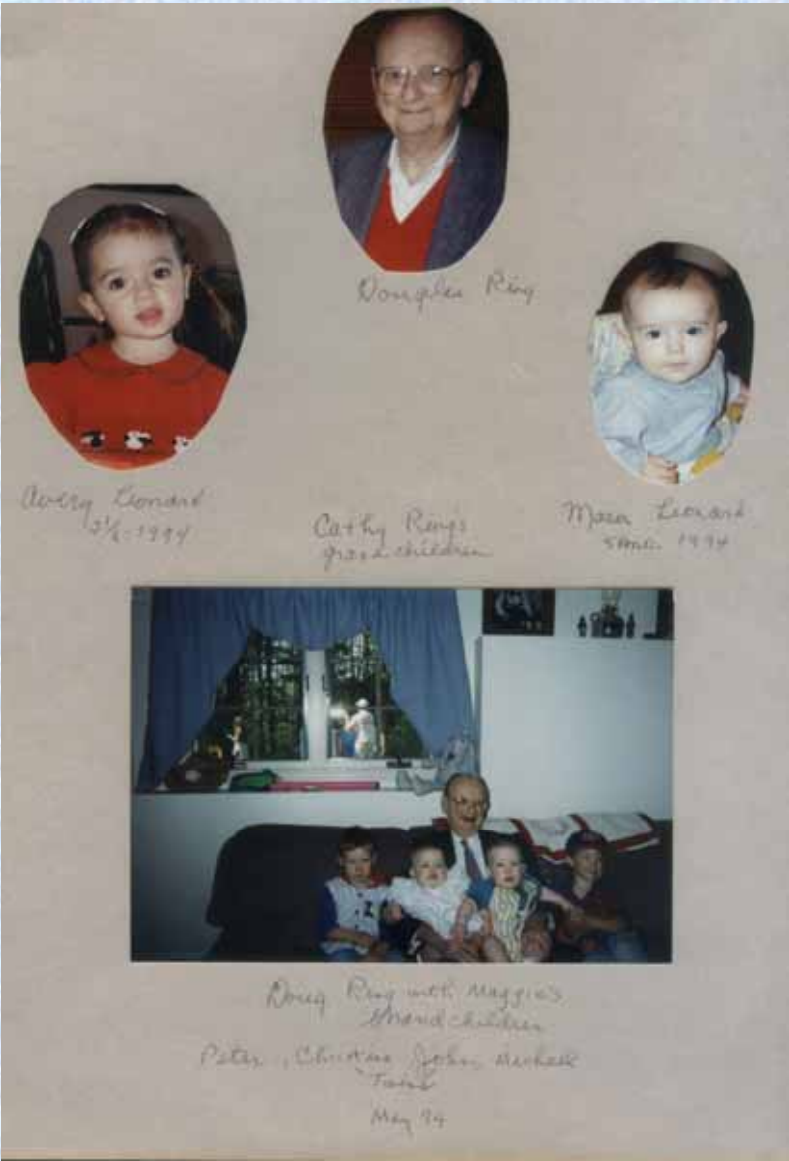
Douglas in Tucson, December 1994



Douglas, Cathy & Bob, December 1994



Shane, Tony, Doug, Paul & John, Maggie's boys,



Mason Leonard & Aunt Mary Saliba



Mason, Wendy & Avery



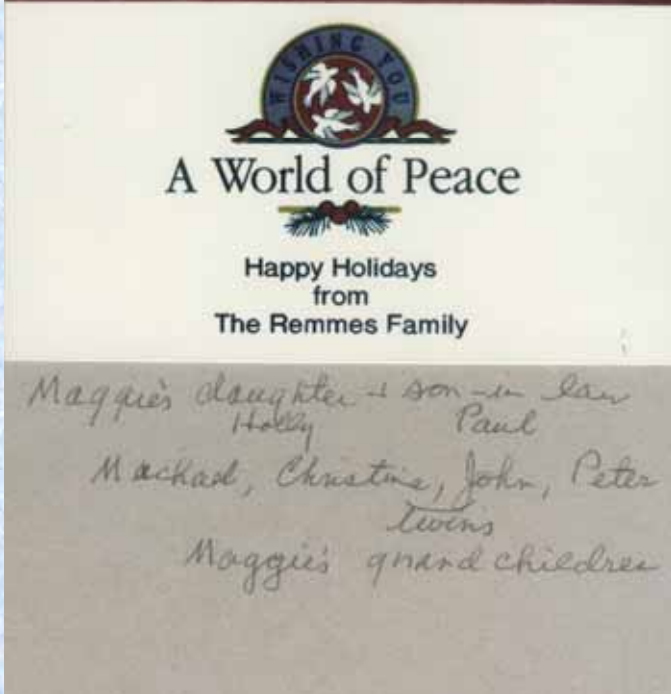
Avery



Mason (5 mo), Avery (2 1/2)



Wendy Leonard (31), Avery (2 1/2)





Wendy & son Mason



Wendy's daughter



Avery Leonard, Thanksgiving, 1994



Mary Saliba, Professor Leonard, Hofstra college,
Wendy & the Professor met in Africa, later
married in Thailand



Mason Leonard (1 1/2) Douglas (88) in 1995



Wendy, Avery (3 1/2), Mason (1 1/2)



Clinton, Douglas & Bob Ring, 1994



Avery & Mason, Douglas, 90th birthday, Sunrise Place, 3/28/1997



Davis & Mason, Douglas, 90th birthday, Sunrise Place, 3/28/1997



Douglas died September 8, 2000



Douglas died September 8, 2000



Douglas & Hanna Grave Site



Douglas & Hanna Grave Site

CATHERINE SALIBA

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Height: 5'5 1/2"
Weight: 125 lbs.
Hair: Strawberry Blonde
Eyes: Green
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One of Cathy's pictures she sends our to try & get parts in her TV work

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News, Notes & Goings On

For The Record:

Here it is, fresh from the printer! The first edition of our new bimonthly chat-letter. I thought the first edition might be just the right place to clear up any and all confusion as to what "Voiceovers Unlimited" is, and what it is not.

What we are is a group of 40 dedicated & talented actors who work together to market ourselves and improve our skills.

Simple as that! Within the scope of our collective, we have worked hard to develop the capability to help our clients solve all of their many problems. But, we are not a casting office, and we do not run casting sessions in competition with our casting-director friends, nor do we solicit casting director jobs. We recommend our friends for that kind of work.

And we are not a talent agency. We're certainly open to working with select agents, but we do not act as talent representatives.

I hope this clears up any confusion as to who, and what Voiceovers Unlimited is all about. I'll be talking to you soon!

Dan Duckworth,
Director

The Voiceovers Unlimited guys & gals have been a busy bunch, to say the least. Some of our gals, Patricia Smith,

Barbara Johnson & Cathy Saliba auditioned for a Peachtree Window spot for client Fort Productions. Patricia got the nod on that one. VO members' pix & resumes were messaged to Joe Piscopieri of client Easton-Piscopieri Productions for a video project. Richard Caine, Dan Duckworth, Lee Moore & Bob Jordan auditioned to be the agency reel voice of client Meldrum and Fewsmith, and four of our guys, Chris Gampel, Lee Moore, Bob Jordan & Dan Duckworth, were called on for some very inventive reads. Seems client CEL Communications Dave Snyder needed the voice of Leonardo daVinci for a new documentary to be aired on the Discovery Channel. There's a real trivia question: what did the real Leonardo sound like?

Score card for the last 2 weeks: 30 spots booked, 54 auditions. Individually:

Joe Bartholow voiced a narration for client Teacher's Insurance, and was up to see Steve Horn's Karen Kayser for a United Airlines on-camera spot. Agenting was Talent East's Shep Pamplin. Joe continues to work with v/o star Joan Bogden of super agency TRH, and just completed a rework of his industrial tape.

Richard Caine, on a "soapy roll" these days, just wrapped six shows for Loving on ABC. Richard's the 'bad guy,' a role that's not even close to SEM & M client Kathy Connors' 'real guy.' Busy Richard is honing those

considerable skills at Uta Hagen's studio. Hard work pays off.

And speaking of Kathy Connors, she was out on an on-camera audition for Continental Bank of Chicago at Chantiles/Vigneault Casting. Not to be outdone by studious husband Richard, Kathy is taking singing lessons every Thursday. How to improve on a beautiful voice.

Jeanette Charles was tapped for two voice-over jobs—one for client Lancers Teachers Insurance Plan, the other for client Doubleday. Jeanette auditioned on-camera for Dawn Dishwashing Liquid, through Shep Pamplin @ Talent East, and is currently hard at work on a new monologue.

Ellen David did that 'in front of the camera thing' for client Prudential Insurance. Agenting for Fifi Oscar was Graham Murray and Skip Winitsky & Susan Baronoff did the producing thing. Ellen auditioned for Annuities at Beth Melsky Casting, and for a Chase industrial. Fifi's favorite nephew Graham did the agenting chores on both. At CED-star Wendy Dillons' copy reading group on Thursday eve & then off for a whirlwind London 'theater' weekend. She's a Wendy's regular.

Leading the weight, in terms of pages, Dan Duckworth is at the mic wrapping up 93 pages of audio for client Philadelphia Museum of Art, Acoustiguides' Jeffrey Shaw handled the producing. Between pages, Dan went 'ah-camer-a!' for client Itochu International, with Larry Keavey producing for Anagraphics. The spring edition of Video Fashion was voiced by Dan, as well as two new videos for Citizens' watches. And as if that weren't enough, Dan did the testimonial voice for client Lancers Insurance, with Susan Castrilli producing. All that while he directs the activities of Voiceovers Unlimited. Whew! That's a plate-and-a-half-full!

Rob Evans was busy with a v/o booking for client Lancer's Insurance. He was in for the cold reading session for Karen Etcoff of Kee Casting. Private sessions with Joan Bogden capped it all off.

And John Foster hit the old audition trail at Liz Lewis Casting for an American Express Financial Services spot, another audition at Don Case Casting for "VH1," an audition for Ricoh Copiers

and a fund raising promo for Princeton. Mike Roscoe of Mike Roscoe Casting had John in for a Waterhouse Securities audition. John's supertutor Pam Lewis character voice student.

Out in Long Island, Bill Gassman (our own Long Island representative), was in for an audition for a U.S. Healthcare spot through the Peter Beilin Agency, and a Cartoon Channel spot audition at Donald Case Casting. Liz Lewis @ Liz Lewis Casting submitted Bill for an upcoming film project audition for The Road's End.

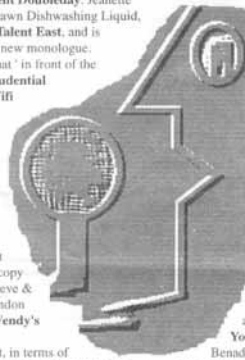
Larry Grey is 'legit' as The Marquis in A Tale of Two Cities at Paper Mill Playhouse in Milburn, New Jersey, and auditioned for the Captain Hook role for their upcoming production of Peter Pan. How's that for 'walkin' the plank'!

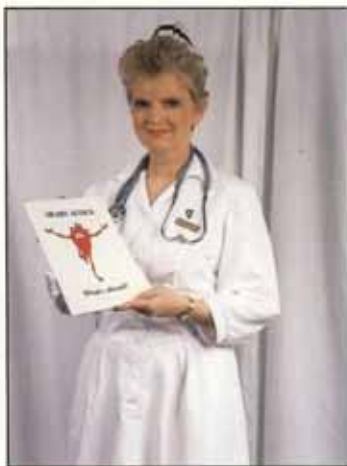
Ernie Baxter booked an on-camera spokes spot for client AEO, with IMC's Bill Hennessy producing. While he was there, Ernie went to the mic for 2 narrations. SEM&M had Ernie over to see Liz Lewis for an American Express spot. It was down to the wire @ the call back, but no cigar. Abrams' David Evans sent Ernie in to see Olgivy & Mathers' Barbara Herzog for a Hershey's v/o audition, in to Grey Advertising for a Harper Books v/o audition. Not done yet, he did his bit for Young & Rubicams' Mark Haverly on a Benadryl v/o try out, and finished the day at Toni Robert's Casting session for UPS. (Pssst! Tetrans beware, Toni's hit the 23K mark!) Ernie's a regular at the Wendy Dillon Tuesday & Thursday copy reading & Mexican Gourmet Dining outings. New head shots by Glenn Jussin are great, reports Ernie!

Annette Hunt played Joyce in Ride For Your Life, the first-ever interactive feature film produced by SONY-Interfilm. Annette is the standby for Emily in Greetings, Arthur Cantor producing, at John Housman Theater, and did her on-camera thing for client Creative MultiMedia in an industrial. And then there was the reading of Cherry Orchard as Madame Renevskaya for Roger Simon. She does it her way every Sunday in the Palm Court at the swank Plaza Hotel.

Our resident law-meister, Bob Jones did a one day stand-in as backup staff announcer at WPIX through Ginger Dice @ Ginger Dice Agency. And just to dot the i's and cross the t's, he had coaching sessions with Joan Bogden and Wendy Dillon.

Miller Lide came back from the cold as a returning member to Voiceovers Unlimited, and is busy





**Catherine
Saliba**

SERVICE # (212) 724 2800

Height 5'5 1/2" Bust 35
Waist 27 Hips 37
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Hair: Reddish Blonde Eyes: Green
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Cathy loved all the Arizona cactus & Sahuaros



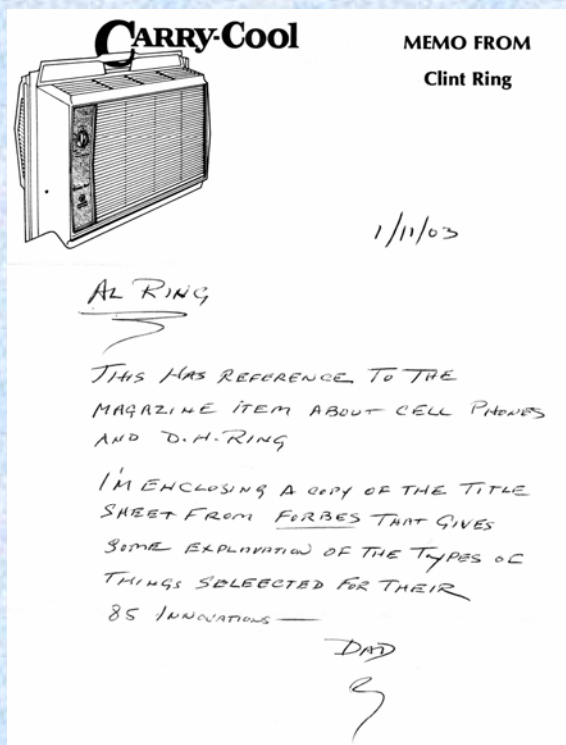
Catherine Saliba



Wendy Leonard's family, (Rob), Douglas's granddaughter, Avery (9 1/2), Mason (7 1/2), Davis (5 1/2), Selden (3 1/2), Christmas 2000



Leonard family, 2003



85 Innovations

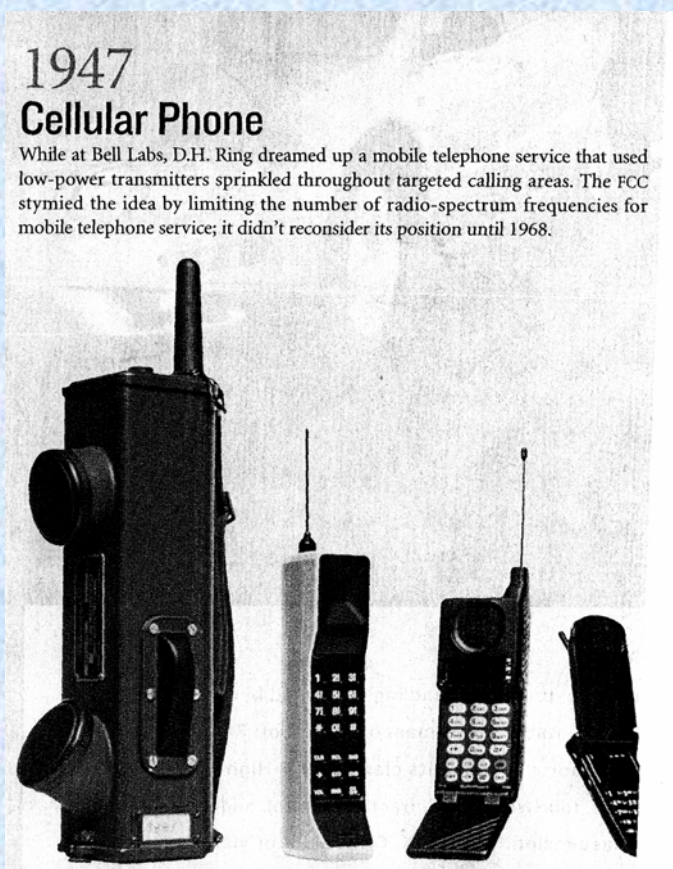
What are the greatest breakthroughs of the last four score and five years? A collection of people, products, services and companies that have changed our lives in a profound way. This is not a list of the greatest business minds—that's why you won't find Bill Gates on it. It is not a roster of the deserving (Gandhi) or the powerful (Stalin) or the biggest empire builders (Kaiser). It is a history of lightbulbs that went off and changed the world. The transistor gave rise to a trillion-dollar piece of the economy and a potent deflationary force. The pill altered human behavior; the polio vaccine and protease inhibitors altered life spans; the discount brokerage changed our capital markets. What will the next 85 years bring? We give some early hints in the profiles that begin on page 274.

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1947 Cellular Phone

While at Bell Labs, D.H. Ring dreamed up a mobile telephone service that used low-power transmitters sprinkled throughout targeted calling areas. The FCC stymied the idea by limiting the number of radio-spectrum frequencies for mobile telephone service; it didn't reconsider its position until 1968.

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Mobile Phone Milestones:

1921 The Detroit Police Department, began experimentation with one-way vehicular mobile service.
 1928 Detroit Police commenced regular one-way radio communication with all its patrol cars.
 1933 Bayonne, NJ Police Department initiated regular two-way communications with its patrol cars
 1936 Alton Dickieson, H.I. Romnes and D. Mitchell begin design of AT&T's mobile phone system
 1940 Connecticut State Police began statewide two-way, on the frequency modulated (FM)
 1941 FM mobile radio became standard throughout the country following the success in Connecticut
 1946 A driver in St. Louis, Mo., placed a phone call, it was the first AT&T mobile telephone call.
 1948 wireless telephone service was available in almost 100 cities and highway corridors.
1947 cellular telephone service conceived by D.H. Ring at Bell Labs, but the technology didn't exist
 1971 Richard Frenkiel and Joel Engel of AT&T applied computers and electronics to make it work.
 1973 Martin Cooper of Motorola made the first cellphone call to his rival Joe Engel of AT&T Bell Labs
 1978 AT&T conducted FCC-authorized field trials in Chicago and Newark, N.J.
 1979 the first cellular network was launched in Japan.
 1982 FCC granted commercial licenses to an AT&T subsidiary, Advanced Mobile Phone Service
 1983 AMPS was then divided among the local companies as part of the planning for divestiture
 1983 Illinois Bell opened the first commercial cellular system in October
 CAPs: Joel Engel, Richard Frenkiel, Alton Dickieson, H.I. Romnes, D. Mitchell, D.H. Ring, William (Bill) C. Jakes, Martin Cooper, ARY, mobile phone, mobile telephone, cell phone, cellular phone, cellphone, wireless phone, SIP, history, biography, inventor, invention.

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The technology of modern cell phones started with the creation of hexagonal cells for mobile phones by D.H. Ring from Bell Labs in 1947, later on another engineer from Bell Labs conceived of cell towers that would transmit and receive signals in three directions instead of normal bi directional antennas. However, although some technologies have been developed, electronics and other technologies would take decades to mature and to be developed. For instance, the electronics that were used in the first cell phones were first developed in the 1960's

Patents of Douglas H. Ring

- [U.S. Patent 2,025,400](#) -- *Volume Control Circuits*, filed May 26, 1934
- [U.S. Patent 2,165,509](#) -- *Oscillation Generator*, filed Apr 22, 1938
- [U.S. Patent 2,225,928](#) -- *Multiple Unit Steerable Antenna System*, filed July 14, 1939
- [U.S. Patent 2,406,402](#) -- *Frequency Adjustment of Resonant Cavities*, filed Sep 3, 1941
- [U.S. Patent 2,410,838](#) -- *Microwave Coupling System*, filed Mar 26, 1942
- [U.S. Patent 2,425,345](#) -- *Microwave Transmission System*, filed Dec 23, 1942
- [U.S. Patent 2,633,492](#) -- *Guided Wave Frequency Range*, filed Dec 30, 1948
- [U.S. Patent 2,629,782](#) -- *Reduction of Phase Distortion*, filed Aug 20, 1949
- [U.S. Patent 2,639,326](#) -- *Microwave Frequency Structure Using Hybrid Junctions*, filed Mar 6, 1951
- [U.S. Patent 2,629,772](#) -- *Reduction of Phase Distortion*, filed Sep 21, 1951
- [U.S. Patent 2,775,700](#) -- *Frequency Stabilized Oscillator*, filed Oct 1, 1953

[U.S. Patent 3,032,723](#) -- *High Speed Microwave Switching Networks*, filed May 31, 1960

[edit] External links

- [1947 memo by Douglas H. Ring proposing hexagonal cells](#)
- [AT&T article on mobile and cellular phone history](#)

[The history of cellular telephones](#)

This is a letter Catharine Saliba wrote Wikopedia concerning the cell phone.

Sirs:

After reading the article on the "history of the cellular phone" I attempted to Email a comment to the Email address that was given for that purpose. It did not exist, so you are the lucky recipient of my remarks. I was greatly disturbed by one of the comments contained therein. It was stated at least twice that "THE CELLULAR CONCEPT MATERIALIZES FROM NOWHERE" at Bell Labs in 1947.

My father, Douglas H. Ring, conceived and wrote the original memo, "Mobile Telephony; Wide Area Coverage" and presented it to Bell Labs on December 11, 1947. It proposes hexagonal cells, but unfortunately the technology to utilize his idea did not exist at the time, and his memo was put aside and largely ignored until the 60's, when it was then possible to utilize his ideas. However, I assure you, his concept did NOT materialize out of nowhere.

During the late 30's and 40's I was a child, and my most vivid memories of this quiet, loving, brilliant man were of him sitting night after night, year after year in his overstuffed chair with his oversized pad of yellow lined paper, his mechanical pencil and his slide rule, drawing pages and pages of intricate diagrams, formulas, and thousands of numbers filling these pads. None of us had an inkling of what all these pages of numbers really meant, of course, and he rarely tried to explain to my mother, sister or I. We had no idea of what was in his mind, but what we did know was that he worked harder than just about anyone, and I don't remember a day that went by when he did not add some formula or some numerical idea to one of those yellow pads. Blood, sweat and tears went into his work, I am sure, albeit silently; he was a modest, gentle genius. Remember, there weren't even calculators back then, and all math problems were done in one's head or the old fashioned way...on paper. From the day he graduated from Stanford in 1929, he worked at Bell Labs in Homdel, New Jersey, and spent his whole career there until retirement at age 65 (required in those days) in 1972. The "concept" of cellular phones came directly from my father, and took years and years of work and trial and error on paper and in his mind. I have in my possession that original memo along with his numerous patents (Wikopedia lists 12...there were many more.

"Materialized from nowhere?" I don't think so. Sincerely,

Catherine Ring Salibe, a very proud daughter Sept. 16, 2007

John Henry Saliba III, March 8, 2003

To all John Saliba's friends,

It is with great sadness that I am writing this email. Last Sunday, March 8th, John passed away while visiting Thailand. I am very sorry to all of you who are hearing this for the first time via email. I have tried to contact as many of you as possible so you would hear it from me in person, but as you know John has made so many friends over the years, it would take me weeks. I will not be in the office tomorrow, but will be here all next week at (520)807-0706 if you would like to call.

We are planning a memorial at John's home in Tucson next Saturday, March 22nd, from 3pm on, for all of those who wish to attend. We will try to celebrate John's life as he would have wanted us to, so shorts, t-shirts, and sandals are the appropriate attire. Please come with your great memories of John and help us share them with his family and friends. I realize this is very short notice and many of you will be unable to attend. If you would like to send a card with a great John story, please send it to 220 E. Palmdale St., Tucson, AZ, 85714 do Blair Windley. I will make sure his family gets them.

Next week, I will be contacting all of you who were going on upcoming trips with Worldtrek. If you are one of these people and you could call me here in the office, that would be a great help.

Again, I'm very sorry that you have to hear this by email. John lived life to the fullest, and experienced more in his short time with us than most could ever hope for. This has left a huge whole in all of our lives. We are all extremely lucky to have known him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this very difficult time.

Sincerely, Blair Windley Worldtrek Expeditions

Arizona Daily Star:

SALIBA, John Henry III, 33, of Tucson, AZ passed away unexpectedly from respiratory failure on Sunday, March 9, 2003 in Bangkok, Thailand. Born in Glens Falls, NY, May 30, 1969, he was the beloved son of John H. Saliba of Bethlehem, NH, and Catherine R. Saliba of B. Brunswick, NJ, who survive him.

John had an insatiable appetite for the outdoors and adventure travel, which led to his founding of WorldTrek Expeditions Inc. in 1996. With a core focus on mountain biking, and a mix of white river rafting, kayaking and diving, John entertained his new and many repeat clients on tours of his personal design to exotic venues throughout the world. In these endeavors he acquired a special fondness for Honduras, as well as Thailand and Copper Canyon, Mexico.

John attended Carrabassett Valley Academy, Carrabassett Valley, ME, skiing competitively with the Alpine Team and graduating with the class of 1987. He received his BA at Colorado College, class of 1991, and earned a Master of International Management in 1994 at Thunderbird - The American Graduate School of International Management.



In addition to his parents, John is survived by two sisters, Mary C. Saliba of Bethlehem, NIH and Wendy and husband, Robert Leonard of Rockville Center, NY and their four children, Avery, Mason, David and Selden; an uncle, Robert M. Saliba of Barre, VT; an aunt, Margaret Bacigalupo of Hyarmisport, MA; great-uncle, Clinton Ring of Tucson, AZ; cousins and many close friends. He was predeceased by his grandparents, Henry and Irma Saliba of Barre, VT and Douglas and Haima Ring of Red Bank, NJ.

A Memorial gathering of John's friends, clients, and immediate family to celebrate his life was held at his Tucson home March 22nd. An interment service will be held at Hope Cemetery in Barre, VT on May 24th at 10:00 a.m.


John, Kayak & Caves//River in Thailand a few days before he died, SCV Luau March 11



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ABILITY LEVEL
 Anyone who is in reasonably good shape can do this trip.




GUIDES
 All trips are accompanied by a WorldTrek guide certified in Wilderness First Aid and local guides who are fluent in the Hill-tribe languages.

FOOD
 One of the greatest pleasures in Thailand is the wonderful food prepared with the freshest ingredients. We can accommodate most special eating requirements.

WEATHER
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Itinerary subject to change



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After our adventure in the North we will fly/boat to the remote island of Koh Tao in the Gulf of Thailand. Here we will spend the remainder of our time diving, snorkeling and relaxing on this exotic tropical island. Koh Tao has the best diving & snorkeling in a country that has one of the richest marine faunas on earth. Non-divers can have a lesson and go on supervised dives with certified PADI instructors or just snorkel on one of the many coral reefs and relax in a spectacular tropical setting.



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Prices

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Dates**

Trips run from November to May. See trip schedule on attached sheet or call for dates.

Equipment

All our bikes are SCOTT mountain bikes with Rock Shox front suspension. All helmets are ANSI & SNELL approved.

There will be vehicle support during the entire trip.

SCOTT



Ability Level

Anyone who is in reasonably good shape with intermediate mountain biking experience can do this trip.

Food

The food is delicious! All food is prepared by hotels, restaurants and guides to western standards of hygiene. All water is purified bottled water. We can accommodate most special eating habits.

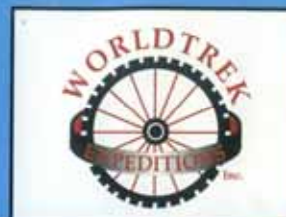
Weather

The weather on the rim of the canyon is cool and crisp while the temperature at the bottom is warm and tropical. Bring warm clothes for evenings on the rim.

Itinerary subject to change.

* Bikes are available for an additional charge.

** We reserve the right to cancel any trip if we do not have a minimum of 8 people.




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Day 1: We will leave El Paso, Texas in the morning and drive deep into the Sierra de Tarahumara. We will arrive in Creel, "The Gateway to Copper Canyon," in the early evening, relax over a nice dinner and take in the atmosphere in this "Wild West" town.




Day 2: Today we begin the 2300 meter (7400 ft) descent down into the canyons (bigger and deeper than the Grand Canyon in Arizona). Words cannot begin to describe the awesome ride down to the small village of La Bufa where we will camp for the night perched on the side of the canyon walls.




Day 3: Today we have a short, spectacular ride to the "Lost Mission of Satevo." It was built at the bottom of the canyon approximately 400 years ago by the Jesuits, but no one knows for sure the exact date or why it was built. From here you can either explore more of the trails on the canyon floor or just spend the afternoon relaxing in one of the many clear pools in the Rio Batopilas.




Day 4: We get on the bikes and explore the breath-taking countryside on the rim. Highlights include beautiful waterfalls, Tarahumara Indians, Tarahumara cave homes, Spanish missions, hot springs and great singletrack.




Day 5: Today we ride to the very remote village of Cerro Colorado. This ride is usually everyone's favorite of the trip. Highlights include incredible single-track, multiple river crossings, breathtaking canyon scenery and cold gatorade.



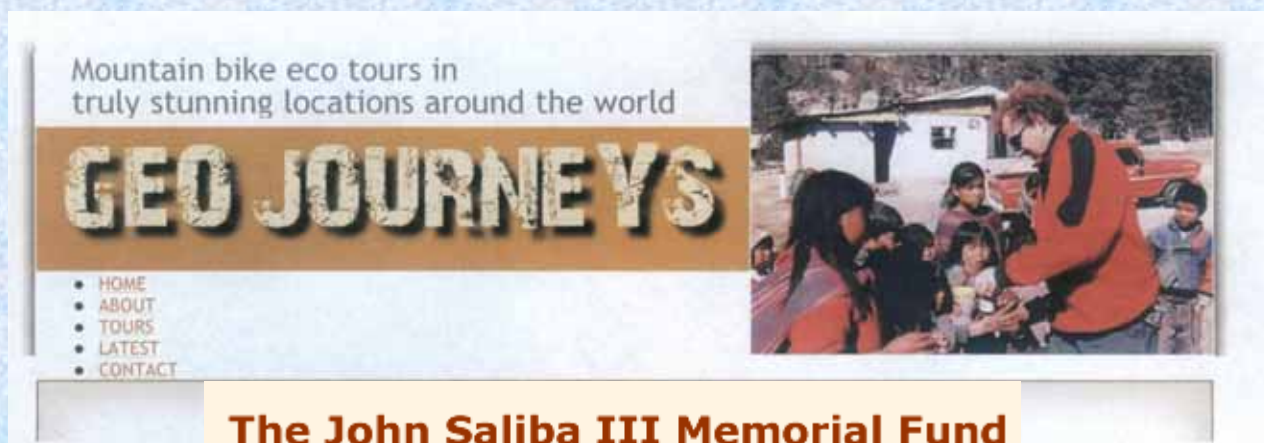
Day 6: After exploring some of the hiking trails around La Bufa, we will continue riding deeper into the canyon and reach our destination in historic and tranquil Batopilas. This beautiful town of about 800 people at the very bottom of the canyon brings new meaning to the term remote. The "road" to Batopilas has been described as the most beautiful in North America.



Day 7: Today we return to Creel and spend what little energy we have left checking out some more great singletrack on the rim.



Day 8: Invigorated & content, we return to El Paso by late afternoon.



The John Saliba III Memorial Fund

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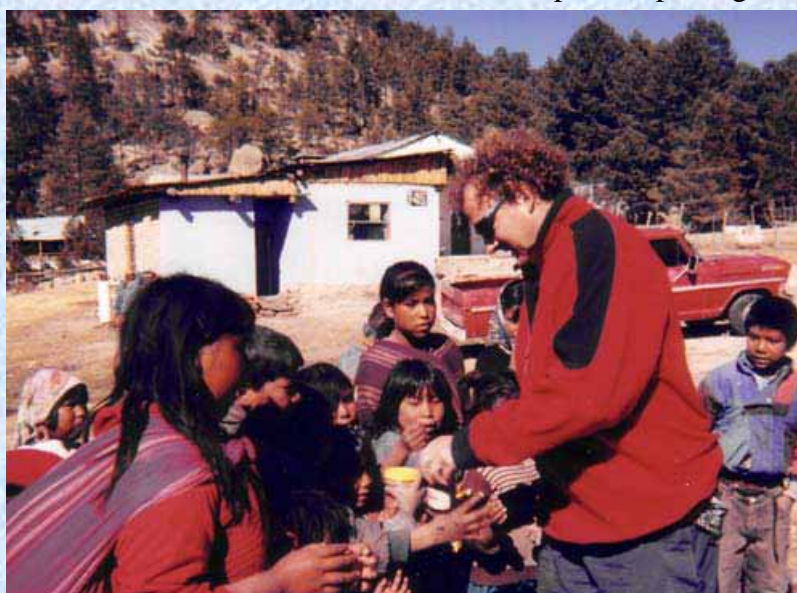


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Blair and John with the children and staff of Batopilas Orphanage, Chihuahua



John hands out snacks to children at Cusare Falls, Mexico

This memorial fund was started to continue John's generosity towards the children in the countries he would travel to. As anyone who had been in contact with John would know, he loved the kids he encountered. Looking back over photos from each trip, you would undoubtedly find a few of John either playing with the kids or handing out a hearty lunch. He did things like that because that's who he was. He was so humble about his generosity that many of his family and friends only learned of it at his memorial.

Our plan is to continue to give to those children less fortunate than ourselves. We will donate through [Heifer International](#) in John's name.

Heifer's Mission to End Hunger: Heifer envisions... A world of communities living together in peace and equitably sharing the resources of a healthy planet.

Heifer's mission is... To work with communities to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth.

Heifer's strategy is... To "pass on the gift." As people share their animals' offspring with others – along with their knowledge, resources, and skills – an expanding network of hope, dignity, and self-reliance is created that reaches around the globe.

Heifer's History This simple idea of giving families a source of food rather than short-term relief caught on and has continued for almost 60 years. Today, millions of families in 115 countries have been given the gifts of self-reliance and hope.

If you would like to make a donation...

Send checks made out to "Heifer International and in memory of John Saliba III" to: **PO BOX 8058, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203**

Or, you can call Heifer International at **1-888-5-HUNGER** and make a donation in memory of John Saliba III.

GeoJourneys will also donate a portion of the profits from each tour we book as our ongoing contribution. Our plan is to continue John's amazing generosity and compassion for the children in the remote regions that he visited.

John Saliba

Written by Mary Saliba,

My brother, John Saliba, filled every second of his 33 years with adventure, love, humor and friendship. He created a fantastic world for himself, and invited us all in.

A competitive skier in high school, he never lost his love for the outdoors. In college he began traveling, spending a year in Kenya. He later earned his MBA at Thunderbird, majoring in International Marketing. It was during one particularly tedious temp job, possibly the last time John wore a suit and lace-up shoes, when he designed a business plan that would become World Trek Expeditions. He tried to figure out how he could travel and ride his bicycle and be with his friends – for a living. Downhill Mountain Biking was born.

He began leading day trips to his favorite out-of-the-way places in Colorado. His number one motive was to have fun – and that meant everyone had fun. Eventually, he began leading longer trips. He and his friend, Blair Windley, would go on exploring trips to Mexico, Peru, Honduras... they would find strange, undiscovered corners of the world and bring people to them. With John and Blair, people found themselves leaping off sand dunes in Baja, riding kayaks up to gray whales, riding mountain bikes along the rim of Copper Canyon and flying down to the bottom under the blazing blue Mexican skies. He was never lost, he just changed his plans from time to time... for example, on one of his exploration trips, he and Blair drove several hundred miles in the wrong direction – West instead of East. When John discovered this he said "Heck with it, let's go to California, then!"

When John died, while traveling in Thailand, so many people felt their hearts break right then. For John, every day, every week was an adventure. But to those of us who went on his journeys, that one week spent with him was maybe the best, most exciting week of our lifetime. So many people have said that John taught them how to live – how to make every day count. John was a generous spirit; with his time, and in other ways. He always managed to find room in his over-stuffed van for a box of Frisbees and candy for the orphans of Batopilas, Chihuahua. He had a love of fun and of life and of all the possibilities of the day, and he wanted to bring that to the children of this country he loved so much.

Article by Catherine in Reminisce, October/November 2008:

Tough As Dragon Skin

It wasn't any good for dresses, but a war-surplus parachute sure made some memorable costumes after WWII.



SLICK SEWING. Dressed in part of the storied parachute (left) bought by the author's mom, Hanna Ring (right), were the author (on left) and best friend Mary "Boo" Searles, around 1946.

MAMA BOUGHT a parachute, a genuine WWII parachute, some time after the war ended.

Apparently, she had gotten a good deal. When she brought it to our home in Middletown, New Jersey, it was a huge, bright-yellow mass of silky, rather thick and ugly material. We were intrigued and puzzled over her plans for it.

Having lived through the Great Depression and the war, which required everyone to submit to frugal living habits, Dad was especially at a loss as to the purpose of this bizarre purchase.

But Mother was a sewer. Most likely, during those lean years, she had been sorely lacking material for her talents. She made most of the clothes for my sister and me, and during our first few years of school (the war years), our dresses were lengthened, let out, added to, and washed and ironed endlessly. But all of the work was done carefully, so the clothes would last just one more year.

I can picture some of those dresses perfectly, especially a green plaid one. Then there was my lunch box made out of cardboard, but that's another story.

Mama surely was picturing all of the many dresses she could make from the vast quantity of material in that huge parachute. But she had not expected it to be made of a tough orange-yellow fabric called Nylon 6,6. Manufactured by DuPont, it was the standard parachute material during the war years.

And it was completely unsuitable for girlish dresses, for sure. What to do? What to do?

The "11th Commandment" in our house, "Thou shalt not waste," was followed for the parachute, which was put to use immediately for the dress-up trunk and Halloween costumes.

I had asked my mother if I could be a dragon that year.

Perfect. She made me the most unbelievable dragon costume I had ever seen. It had a long tail, with zigzag humps (stuffed with rags and newspapers) and a long stuffed snout with sharp cardboard teeth painted white. The humps made a crackly sound whenever you squeezed them.

The dragon's tongue and flames protruding from the mouth were made of red and orange felt, hinting of fire. Sparkles of some kind were glued to those fake flames to make them look, well, sparkly as they shot from the open mouth.

The material was

yellow, but that would never do for a dragon, so Mother dyed it green. It turned out to be a gross and sickly green, but I pronounced it dragon-y and won first prize in the school costume parade.

The feeling of pride that, for this one day, I was somebody special has never left my soul.

The costume was a little cumbersome to wear trick-or-treating, but it was worth it to hear the exclamations and reactions from our neighbors.

The material for the costume was strong, too; it lasted many years. After all, it was made of Nylon 6,6.

Sadly, I don't have any pictures of the dragon costume, although I do have a photo of my best friend and me dressed up in more of that parachute. Mother constructed many costumes with it, as well as a wonderful tent that we draped over chairs in the living room and spent many happy hours underneath.

I was not old enough, at the time, to understand the significance of that parachute, but as I reflect, these 60-plus years later, I like to imagine the airman whose life may have been saved by that very chute.

And I like to remember that later, that big, yellow parachute brought joy to a little girl in, perhaps, a celebration of peace at last. ☎

By Catherine Saliba
East Brunswick,
New Jersey



A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER: Only those who can see the invisible can do the impossible.



Illustration by Cheryl McIsaac

Christmas 2009:



Enclosed picture of my grandchildren - Wendy's kids.

Dear Al & Karen,

May you enjoy
the beauty
of nature's gifts.

Season's Greetings

Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year!

I'm still enjoying
writing & collecting
requestor slips! Do a
little acting here & there
(Law & order, etc). Right now
digging out of 21" snowfall!
Love
Cathy



Selden (11)

Davis (13)

Avery (17)

Mason (15)