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Chairman Gruenberg Honored by Women in Housing & Finance

By BARBARA HAGENBAUGH
Office of Communications

Women in Housing & Finance in January hosted an event to thank FDIC Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg for his decades of commitment to public service and the work he and the FDIC have done to promote women in the financial services and housing fields.

Women in Housing & Finance (WHF) is an organization of men and women that works in part to foster the advancement of women in housing and finance careers. WHF offers many programs, including monthly luncheons featuring policymakers, an annual symposium on topical issues in housing and financial services, free member brown bag lunches, and receptions (such as the reception for Chairman Gruenberg).

More than 40 people attended the evening event. WHF President Joanna Shapiro began by offering brief remarks about the organization. Next, Leslie Woolley, former FDIC Deputy to the Chairman for Policy from 1994 to 1997 and a found-



Chairman Gruenberg, expressing his appreciation for the recognition, discusses the work that WHF and the FDIC are doing to promote women.

ing member of WHF, introduced Barbara Ryan, Deputy to the Chairman and Chief Operating Officer/Chief of Staff. Barbara Ryan introduced the chairman, noting that he is the longest-serving inside Board member in the FDIC's history.

Chairman Gruenberg has been an advocate for women and minorities at all levels at the FDIC, Ryan said. "Consis-

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tently, we see in his actions a lasting sincerity and commitment to diversity, fairness, and equal opportunity, and he has woven these objectives into the FDIC's fabric," she said.

Chairman Gruenberg said he was "deeply honored" by the recognition by WHF and discussed both the role of the group in promoting women in the housing and finance sectors as well as trends of female employment in those areas.

He noted that while women had made advances overall, the share of women in senior management roles in financial services had remained stagnant at approximately 30 percent from 2007 until 2015. Of note: None of the CEOs of the top 20 U.S. banks is a woman, Chairman Gruenberg said.

Chairman Gruenberg also discussed the steps the FDIC has taken to advance women at the agency. As of November, women held 38.5 percent of the agency's executive manager positions, "represent-

ing a sizable increase in just the past five years," he said. "We have established a number of initiatives to make more progress in this area, including efforts to recruit and hire more women and to encourage the women in our workforce to engage in active career development planning and to seek leadership roles at the FDIC.

"Clearly there is more work to do," he said.

Sam Ozeck, a long-time WHF board member and an attorney in the Legal Division, helped plan the event. ■

DIR Team Honored With Inaugural Division Award

By KATHY ZEIDLER
Division of Insurance and Research

A group of employees was recognized December 14 with the first DIR Award for Outstanding Contributions by a Team. DIR Director Diane Ellis, speaking at the division's holiday party, presented the award to the Structure Information Management System (SIMS) Redesign Team.

In her remarks, Director Ellis thanked employees for their teamwork throughout the year and for their recognition of their colleagues' contributions.

The SIMS Redesign Team completed a software release that automates the flow of bank structure data into SIMS from multiple feeder systems. Ellis not-

ed that it was particularly remarkable that there were no changes to the scope of work once the project began, which she attributed to the team's careful planning, work quality, and thoroughness.

"The SIMS redesign has been one of the highest priorities for DIR for the past several years, and the teamwork displayed by this group represents us all well," she said.

The DIR Workplace Excellence Council (WEC) developed the Outstanding Contribution by a Team Award in response to past FEVS survey results and other input from employees about the desire for improved rewards and recognition.

Other nominees for the award were:

- **Administrative Program Management Section**, which provided valuable support to DIR to complete a wide variety of work products.
- **Dallas Regional Operations**, which provided an array of analytical work products for Division and Corporate audiences, developed new automated systems to increase analytical efficiencies, mentored and helped other offices, and conducted outreach.
- **Franchise Value Report Model Team**, which supported DRR's Franchise Marketing group to market failed-bank assets to potential acquirers.

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DIR Director Diane Ellis gathers with members of the SIMS Redesign Team, winner of the award for Outstanding Contribution by a Team. From left: Pui Lam, Jimmy Lang, Jessica Foster, Kathleen Willard, Ed Christovich, Summer Harik, Diane Ellis, Alan Deaton, Sharon Stephens, Chad Boggan, and Derek Thieme. Not pictured: Dawnita Burton, Saundra Davis, Earnest Davis, Drew Dexter, Ed Hall, Jim Hanson, Toni Holloman-Spinner, Kete Iluyomade, Kathryn Johnson, Kevin Jones, Mike McPherson, Vikki Reynolds, Charlie Stathos, Angela Thorpe-Harris, Pam White, and Julia Xue.

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Communications Leader Barbara Hagenbaugh Departs From FDIC

By SALLY KEARNEY
Office of Communications

On the eve of her departure from the FDIC, where she served as Deputy to the Chairman for Communications since November 2014, Barbara Hagenbaugh could look to several notable achievements. As a key member of the FDIC's senior leadership team and Director of the Office of Communications, Hagenbaugh led both internal and external communications and served as the FDIC's chief spokesperson. She developed communication strategies on a range of topics of importance to the agency, from living wills to cybersecurity. And she served as an advisor to Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg, other Board members, and senior management on communication issues.

"I would like to thank Barbara for her outstanding service to the FDIC and wish her well in her future endeavors," Chairman Gruenberg said.

That Hagenbaugh had strengthened

FDIC communications during her comparatively brief tenure should come as no surprise. Hagenbaugh brought a wealth of experience to her position as Deputy to the Chairman for Communications. She was a senior media specialist with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for more than five years. Previously, she was a journalist for 14 years, first with Reuters America, Inc., and subsequently with USA Today, where as an economics correspondent she co-led coverage of the 2007-2009 financial crisis. She holds a bachelor of science degree in journalism from Northwestern University's Medill School.

This dual journalism-government background may explain why Hagenbaugh was able to carry out multiple responsibilities effectively at the FDIC. She built on an already strong rapport with reporters and editors, aware of their perspectives and needs. She also collaborated with counterparts at other federal agencies and



international organizations to coordinate communication efforts.

But perhaps most importantly, she developed partnerships and collegial relationships within the FDIC. She collaborated across divisions to implement communications plans. As Director of the Office of Communications, she transformed the office structure to improve communications with the public and FDIC staff.

Hagenbaugh also introduced innovations to modernize communications. She significantly broadened the FDIC's presence on social media, launched the weekly *Global Digest*, and converted the *FDIC News* to an online-only publication.

Hagenbaugh's last day at the FDIC was February 23. She has moved on to her next opportunity—as executive vice president and head of communications for the Financial Services Forum.

"Working at the FDIC has been a tremendously rewarding experience," Hagenbaugh said. "I have learned so much working with Chairman Gruenberg, other Board members, the executive team, and most of all, the caring, dedicated, and zany group in OCOM. I am truly honored to have had this opportunity." ■

Colleagues Commend Barbara Hagenbaugh

"Barbara Hagenbaugh has had a tremendous impact on the FDIC and her enthusiasm, energy, keen insight, and sense of humor will be missed."

—Deputy to the Chairman and Chief of Staff Barbara Ryan

"Barbara has provided tremendous assistance to DCP on a variety of communication efforts – press releases, speeches, events, responses to reporters, tweets, and more. We will miss her expert advice, collaborative approach, and great sense of humor. We wish her all the best."

—DCP Director Mark Pearce

"Barbara brought her significant communications experience and talent to the FDIC and did a wonderful job representing the FDIC to the press during her tenure here. Her dedication and professionalism will be sorely missed."

—DRR Director Bret Edwards

"It has been a pleasure working with Barbara. She is a real pro. She handles everything thrown at her, and does so with grace."

—DCP Deputy Director Jonathan Miller

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• **Large Bank Pricing Team**, which analyzed and reviewed the relative risk ranking of insured depository institutions, determined required deposit insurance pricing adjustments, and reviewed the accuracy of assessment-re-

lated regulatory reporting.

• **Regional Operations Team** for Hurricane Analysis, which analyzed Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria on short deadlines, briefed the FDIC Chairman and other external stakeholders, and demonstrated interdivisional cooperation and communication.

"The WEC congratulates all of the nominees for their hard work and commitment to DIR, and looks forward to working with DIR employees on other important initiatives in 2018," said Rosalind Bennett, Chief of the Banking Research Section in the Center for Financial Research, and a DIR WEC member. ■

Take Our Fun FDIC Quiz in Honor of Women's History Month

By JAY ROSENSTEIN
Office of Communications

Women's History Month is celebrated in March in the United States and other countries to highlight a wide variety of achievements. How much do you know about some of the many influential women in FDIC history? Let's find out.

- In addition to being the first female to lead the FDIC, she was the first woman to head *any* federal bank regulatory agency.
 - FDIC Chairman Donna Tanoue
 - FDIC Chairman Ricki Helfer
 - FDIC Chairman Sheila Bair
- On January 1, 2000, the start of "Y2K," she appeared on live network television a block from the White House to withdraw cash from an ATM and show it was "business as usual" for bank customers.
 - FDIC Chairman Donna Tanoue
 - FDIC Chairman Ricki Helfer
 - FDIC Chairman Sheila Bair
- Because of her strong leadership during the last financial crisis, Chairman Bair was ranked as this on the *Forbes* magazine list of the most powerful women in the world in both 2008 and 2009:
 - The most powerful
 - The second-most powerful
 - The third-most powerful
- Norma Ballou, a 22-year old college graduate from Little Rock, Arkansas, was the first female examiner hired by the FDIC. What year was that?
 - 1944
 - 1954
 - 1964
- The woman memorialized in the familiar 1934 black-and-white photo shown holding her granddaughter and the first federal deposit insurance check in U.S. history was:
 - Lydia Lobsiger
 - Lydia D'Tatoodlaydee

Can you match these current or previous executives with their FDIC firsts?

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| a) Beth Climo | e) Carmen Sullivan |
| b) Diane Ellis | f) Sara Kelsey |
| c) Jane Sartori | g) Janice Smith |
| d) Sandra Thompson | |

- From 2006 to 2013 she was the first female director of the FDIC's bank supervision division (now called the Division of Risk Management Supervision), arriving just in time to guide operations during the recent financial crisis.
- She was the first woman to serve as director of the FDIC Office of Legislative Affairs (1987-1991).
- From 2013 to the present she has served as the first female director of the FDIC's research division.
- In 1986, the Office of Consumer Affairs was carved out of the Division of Bank Supervision in recognition of the growing importance of consumer issues and she became the first Director, serving in that role until 1994.
- She was the first female director of the FDIC Division of Information Resources Management (1992-1995) and the Office of the Ombudsman (1995-1996).
- In 1990 she joined the FDIC as the agency's first director of the Office of Training and Educational Services, and in 1995 similarly was appointed as the first director of the Division of Administration, working there until 1998.
- She was the FDIC's first female General Counsel (2007-2008). ♣



Chairman Sheila Bair



Norma Ballou, the FDIC's first female examiner, at a photo op with Chairman Joseph Barr (left) and Examination Division Chief Edward DeHority

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Answers

KNOW SOMETHING UNUSUAL OR HUMOROUS ABOUT THE FDIC?

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Catching Up With Denise Jackson

Improving her community through outreach work in Las Vegas.

By SALLY KEARNEY
Office of Communications

It is not unusual to look back at a road not taken. For Denise Jackson, that road would have led to becoming an FBI agent. Growing up, Jackson had always been intrigued by the idea, and three years after she graduated from high school, the FBI began hiring female agents. Yet, for Jackson, there was a hitch. “Once I learned that the training required new agent recruits to live in a dormitory, I had a change of heart,” she said. “It’s funny the things you don’t want to do at that age. I wanted to be independent and make my own decisions—and living in a dormitory, if just for a short period of time, just didn’t fit with that plan.”

So Jackson followed a different path that led to working for the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, the RTC, and eventually the FDIC. After a 41-year federal government career, Jackson retired in December 2012 and moved with her husband in March 2013 to Las Vegas, Nevada. And while she loved the choices she had made, Jackson never lost interest in the FBI or in law enforcement generally.

During a Las Vegas “National Night Out” promoting good relations between law enforcement and the local community,

Jackson happened to stop at an FBI table. That was where she learned about the FBI Citizens Academy, a program designed to foster a greater understanding of the role of federal law enforcement in the community. “My antennae went up,” she said. “The Citizens Academy representative told me that graduates can participate in outreach and educational events on behalf of the FBI.”

Jackson applied, passed the background check, and was accepted. Turns out working with the FBI was a dream deferred, not lost. She began her first day of the 10-week training program with anticipation and excitement. In the days and weeks that followed, the Academy did not disappoint. “We heard from various teams of special agents who spoke about what they do as an organization to protect us,” she said. The topics they covered ranged from terrorism and foreign counterintelligence to cybercrime and theft. “We learned about profiling, were given a tour of the crime lab, and even practiced on the firing range,” Jackson added.

Jackson and some of her classmates also participated in a practice scenario. “Members of the class simulated a hostage situation in which the hostage had to be extracted,” she said. “Three other people and I played the bad guys. We learned how they conduct a search and neutralize a suspect.”

Following the graduation ceremony, Jackson and other members of her class, at their own expense, traveled to Washington, D.C. “We spent a day at the FBI Training Academy located on the Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Virginia,” Jackson said. “We were taken on a walking tour of the campus and were totally impressed with all of the resources available to train new agents and intelligence analysts. The next day, we spent half a day at FBI headquarters, the Hoover

Building, on a guided tour and a round of briefings from senior management. It was an amazing experience, and we learned the meaning behind their motto, ‘Fidelity, Bravery, and Integrity.’”

After graduating, Jackson began participating in outreach as a volunteer. This was a natural outgrowth of her FDIC career. Just about everything Jackson had done at the RTC and FDIC had an outreach component—and she thrived on representing the agencies to stakeholders and the public and communicating their missions. At the RTC and in her early years at the FDIC, she had served with the legislative affairs offices, representing the two agencies to Congressional staff and members of Congress. During her later years at the FDIC, she served with the Office Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI), where she conducted outreach for OMWI programs and financial

“What drove me in my federal government career and what drives me now is a passion to serve,” she said. “I want to provide our community with information on how to keep your family safe and what is done on your behalf to make sure that we all go home safely each night.”



Jackson at her graduation ceremony, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Citizens Academy, July 19, 2017. Shown here with former Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Assistant Sheriff Todd Fasulo (now retired).

education.

So representing the FBI to the Las Vegas community was a cinch. Jackson could be seen at the Las Vegas 2016 National Night Out, handing out pamphlets and answering questions about the FBI. “It was a lot of fun,” she recalled. “What drove me in my federal government career and what drives me now is a passion to serve,” she said. “I want to provide our community with information on how to keep your family safe and what is done on your behalf to make sure that we all go home safely each night.”

Jackson was aware of the need. “For the

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past few years, the relationship between some communities and law enforcement has been strained,” she said. “I wanted to hear firsthand about the level of commitment and the efforts undertaken by law enforcement to serve and protect our communities. With this information, I am in a position to support law enforcement’s programs and initiatives to improve communication, and to broaden areas of agreements when participating in community outreach and education events.”

Encouraged by her experience with the FBI Citizens Academy, Jackson wanted to do more. She enrolled in the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Citizens Academy’s 12-week training session and learned about undercover work, drug enforcement, and SWAT teams. She returned to the firing range to practice her shooting skills.

Since graduating, she has participated in a ride-along with police officers through a Las Vegas neighborhood known as a hot spot for crime. “Behind the glitz and glamour of the Las Vegas strip, a stretch of road along Boulder Highway near Flamingo Road is a side of Las Vegas that I had never seen be-

fore,” she said. “We responded to a call to support an eviction of a tenant from one of the extended-stay hotels for violation of the property’s guidelines. As difficult as this situation was for the family of five, while I stood there watching the police officer assist the residents with setting their belongings on the outside balcony, I realized that I had just witnessed community policing at its best! The officer was compassionate and empathic, and he enforced the law.”

The October 1, 2017, mass shooting in Las Vegas shook the community, including Jackson and her husband, a retired firefighter. The Las Vegas National Night Out for 2017 was canceled. “Usually this is a happy time with people bringing their families, kids getting into the fire trucks, and taking pictures with officers,” Jackson said. “Proudly, during that time, we came together as a community and stood ‘Vegas strong.’”

The tragedy has only reinforced Jackson’s commitment to her outreach work and helping the community heal. “There has been a huge outpouring of support for first responders and law enforcement,” she said.

Cheerfully energetic, Jackson is finding numerous ways to help the local com-

munity, including volunteering for Dress for Success Southern Nevada, a not-for-profit organization that empowers disadvantaged women to achieve economic independence. “When we first moved to Las Vegas from Washington, D.C., we needed to embrace this new city, and the way to do that is get involved in the community,” she said.

Working with clients that come to Dress for Success and hearing their stories of courage and determination—intended to overcome the stigma of long-term unemployment, homelessness, substance addictions, and incarcerations—give Jackson a greater understanding of the will to survive. “For me, understanding that process reinforces my role as a community partner, and I am committed to support them with compassion and without judgment,” she said.

Jackson plans to continue her outreach work, and has no intention of slowing down. “The skills and abilities that I learned at the FDIC have now moved over to law enforcement, as well as other activities, and it has been a smooth transition,” she said. “I really enjoy connecting with people and seeing that ‘aha’ moment expression on their faces during our conversation!”¹

TRANSITION

Saul Schwartz was recently named Director of the Office of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI).

Schwartz has served as acting OMWI Director since February 2017. He joined the FDIC in 1989, and previously worked in the Legal Division in various supervisory roles specializing in labor and employment law, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), diversity and inclusion, and contracting. Previously, Schwartz worked at the Federal Labor Relations Authority from 1984 to 1989.

Schwartz is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and is admitted to the bar in Arizona, the District of Columbia, and Pennsylvania. He has also earned a master’s degree in management and labor relations from Purdue University and a bachelor’s degree with a major in sociology from the University of Pittsburgh.

Schwartz said: “I really have enjoyed working with the OMWI staff. I look forward to adding value to the Corporation in this executive role.”¹



IN MEMORIAM

William A. “Bill” Stark

Former Deputy Director

Former Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection

William A. “Bill” Stark died on January 14 at Johns Hopkins Hospital surrounded by his family. He was 69.

Stark, who served with the FDIC for more than 18 years after private sector careers in banking and public accounting, was highly regarded for his expertise in capital markets, bank capital, and other policy issues.

After he joined the FDIC in 1990, Stark established an office dedicated solely to capital markets. Jason Cave, Special Advisor to the Chairman, recalled that there was a need for this specialty. “Bill came in with the express purpose of creating the office so our examiners and supervisors would have a firm understanding of that part of the business,” he said. “He brought in people from the field and private industry to build what remains a key function of FDIC supervision.”

As Assistant Director of the Office of Capital Markets, Stark led the staff in developing policy and training, supporting examiners, and providing technical expertise on securities, derivative contracts, and related risks.

Other opportunities arose for Stark to apply his expertise. When the Bank of New England failed in 1991, he oversaw the notification of a \$30 billion derivative portfolio with 380 counterparties around the world. In 1993, he contributed to an interagency study entitled *Derivative Product Activities of Commercial Banks*, an in-depth discussion of derivatives and the risks they pose for commercial banks.

Increasingly, Stark was also instrumental in developing domestic and international banking policy. He represented the FDIC on the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision and played a major role in the FDIC’s contribution to the proposed rulemaking to implement Basel II, the second international banking accord. “Bill was very involved with other agencies and had good working relationships around the world,” Cave said. “He garnered respect because he was able to support the FDIC’s point of view in a professional and collegial manner.”

In 2005, Stark was promoted to Depu-

ty Director for Strategic Planning and Resource Management in the former Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection (DSC), where he oversaw strategic planning and the budget along with supervisory policy development. He retired on September 30, 2008.

Colleagues admired his work ethic, professionalism, and careful planning. “Bill knew how to get the very best out of everyone he worked with, challenging his employees to aspire to greater heights than they thought possible.” Cave said. “He will be greatly missed by all of us fortunate to have worked with him.”

Former Director of Supervision and Consumer Protection Sandra Thompson shared her memories. “When I was selected as the Division Director, Bill took over my job as Deputy Director,” Thompson recalled. “In this role, as with everything he did, Bill excelled. He was my right hand and helped me with many important decisions as we began to deal with divisional readiness for the most recent banking crisis. Bill was an outstanding leader who was exceptional with both financial matters and people. He represented the FDIC around the world with other bank supervisors at international meetings and was highly regarded and well respected. People both inside and outside the agency looked to Bill for advice and guidance. He had an uncanny ability to identify and develop raw talent and was a mentor to many throughout the agency. Countless individuals have benefitted from his leadership and wisdom. He will truly be missed.”

Julie Howland, Division of Risk Management Supervision (RMS) Assistant Regional Director in the New York Region, served as Stark’s Special Assistant. “Bill taught me that a supervisor needed to lead and manage at different times,” she said. “There were times when you needed to provide direction and vision to your staff and other times where you just needed to manage and advise them. Bill was able to distinguish between the two and helped guide me into deciding to become a supervisor at the FDIC.”

Former RMS Senior Deputy Director Chris Spoth was a longtime colleague.



Bill Stark was memorable to many FDIC colleagues for his professionalism, candor, and humorous banter.

“Although he may not have liked to display it, Bill was a softhearted and kind friend at work and beyond,” Spoth said. “I’ve been forever grateful for the way in which Bill would pick the right time and place to redirect me to an open pathway leading toward potential success, no matter the challenges that we both knew were just around the corner. He was a born leader, and left us a better world.”

Stark was equally appreciated for his personal qualities. Howland recalled their first lunch together when she was just starting as his Special Assistant. She came prepared with a pad and pen, expecting it to be a business lunch. “Bill looked at me, and said, ‘What are you doing?’” Howland recalled. “I told him I thought he was going to give me assignments. He said, ‘Julie, when we come to lunch, we don’t talk about work.’”

Howland said that Stark taught her the importance of work-life balance, acknowledging that was something she lacked before she met Stark. “Every Monday, he’d ask me what I had done on the weekend,” she said. “I made sure I had plenty of topics to discuss with Bill on Monday.”

Stark was born on February 27, 1948, the son of Albert and Beth Stark of St. Louis, Missouri. He graduated from the University of Missouri and went on to

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LIFE BEFORE FDIC

At the Movies With Greg Hernandez

Member of the Screen Actors Guild and the Writers Guild of America, East

By LAJUAN WILLIAMS-YOUNG
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For most folks, catching a movie means carving out several hours of the day. Plan on waiting on long lines to purchase tickets, hot buttered popcorn, and a cold soft drink. (By the way, have you noticed how long the previews are nowadays?) But as an active member of the Screen Actors Guild – American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA) and the Writers Guild of America, East (WGAE) since the early 1980s, movie tickets and concession lines are optional for Greg Hernandez, Public Affairs Officer, Office of Communications (OCOM). That’s because the unions deliver DVDs and printed screenplays directly to his front door, for free.

Greg initially became a member of those unions as a requirement of employment at Mutual Radio and ABC Radio. If he wanted to do what he loved to do, which was to write news stories and perform on-air reporting, becoming a member was a prerequisite. As a member in the early ‘80s, Greg also represented the SAG union’s national chapter and met a few well-regarded movie and television writers and producers. Among them were “Hawaii Five-O’s” Jerome Coopersmith, who wrote many episodes of the original series and coined the phrase “Get me McGarrett,” and Evan Hunter, who wrote the screenplay for Alfred Hitchcock’s “The Birds.”

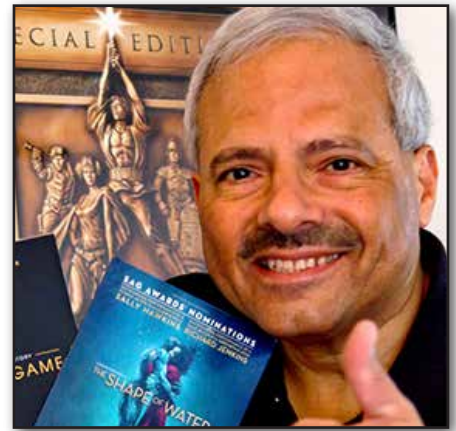
Another perk of being a member is

that Greg gets to vote for movie and television programs nominated for SAG and WGAE annual awards. “I’ve watched movies for years, but little did I know I’d be a voting member on some of the most recognized movies in entertainment history,” Greg said. “I’ve seen movies that I would never have gone to see at the movie theater, ever. I’ve also predicted which movies would be top contenders at the SAG and Writer’s Guild awards, and it was gratifying when my peers agreed with my picks.” (You can take a look at the categories and winners of the 2018 SAG and WGAE awards to see if you would have selected the winners.)

Eventually, Greg’s collection of award-nominated movies for grown-ups had to make room for princesses and talking animals when his family grew to include his beloved little girl, Sophie. Greg’s appreciation for access to movies took on a new meaning when Sophie started watching shows for kids. “My wife and I were able to get away from cartoons when our daughter was asleep. We would pull a movie from the shelf, sit back and enjoy it and, afterwards, engage in much-needed adult conversation,” he said.

Just in case you consider contacting Greg to borrow from his video library, this is what he has to say about that: “No, you can’t borrow the DVDs. They’re specially watermarked with my union account number to make sure I don’t distribute them.”

Greg will continue to enjoy all the



Greg Hernandez revealing his choices of “Molly’s Game” and “The Shape of Water” for Screen Actors Guild awards in 2018.

perks his SAG and WAGE memberships offer. Given a choice of the genre he prefers, Greg confessed that superhero movies are his favorite, and he believes they deserve their own award category. He takes great pride in his DVD collection and the beautifully bound screenplays of movies that come to life on the big screen in his personal theater room. And he has had the distinct pleasure of being an “extra” as a restaurant patron in the 2016 movie “I’m Your Server,” which was filmed in Arlington, Virginia.

He also plans to explore more acting opportunities after retirement. Be on the lookout for Greg Hernandez (or his stage name) in the next episode of his life. Until that time comes, feel free to stop him for more details when you see him around the Corporation. He’ll be glad to share his film and TV “cred” with you. 🏠

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serve his country with the Army First Cavalry Division during the Vietnam War. He was awarded a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart after being wounded in combat in 1970.

Before joining the FDIC, Stark served with Peat Marwick Mitchell (now

KPMG) and with various banks, including as Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer.

Stark and his wife Sharon moved to Sandestin, Florida, after he retired from the FDIC. An avid golfer, Stark hit the links several times a week. He and Sharon also traveled extensively. He was proud of his children and cherished time with

his family (especially his granddaughters) and his dog Bogey.

Stark is survived by wife Sharon; daughter Catharine Andricos (husband Steve); son Jack Stark; granddaughters Olivia, Lucy, and Emily Andricos; brother Bob Stark (wife Lynn); sister Barbara Telge (husband Chris); nephew Ian Telge (wife Ashley); and niece Kelsie Telge. 🏠