

Please join us for a Volunteer Recognition Sparkling Cider and Cheese Party!

In honor of all our wonderful volunteers, the studio staff is putting together a small gathering in the studio to celebrate, well...you! Cheese, crackers, fruit and sparkling cider will be served as well as some homemade treats for you all personally by the studio staff!

What: Recognition Party

Who: All of our wonderful volunteers

Where: The volunteer lounge/lunchroom

When: Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Time: 12:30 p.m. to whenever!

Why? Because we love you!

Outreach to Expand Reach, Move to National HQ

In 1999 **Chris Ranaghan** was named New Jersey's first Educational Outreach Director. Her job was to build an RFB&D presence in New Jersey schools from scratch. Armed with a lot of energy and a firm belief in RFB&D after watching her daughter succeed after being introduced to our recordings, she started the New Jersey Outreach Center from the receptionist's desk at the old West Windsor studio. (And sometimes under the desk when she needed to get a project done and couldn't afford interruptions.)

With the help of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, she implemented our Learning Through Listening program in the New Brunswick Public Schools and soon word spread throughout the state that RFB&D was "the little program that could" help students with dyslexia and other learning differences. Chris's efforts have led to RFB&D being included in more than 500 Garden State schools and receiving praise from educators and

legislators across the state. She has established a partnership with the Adaptive Technology Center for New Jersey Colleges which helps New Jersey college students with disabilities.

Chris's new title is Regional Director of Programs and Services for the Mid-Atlantic Region, reporting to James Higgins, Vice President of Programs and Services. On October 23, she and **Debbie Passafiume**, Project Coordinator for New Jersey Grant Schools, will be moving their office a couple of miles down the road to national headquarters, where they will be doing the same amazing job with schools across New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, DC, as well.

Chris says she'll, "truly miss seeing all of the studio volunteers, the people who make RFB&D work."

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please call the studio before you head out. If we are closed there will be a message. Please be patient. Our phone system will ring many times before the the message comes on.



Dear Aunt Bea...

**A reminder:
The studio is closed
Thursday, Nov. 26 and
Friday, Nov. 27 for
Thanksgiving.**



Dear Aunt Bea,
I haven't checked in awhile. My throat is still a bit raw from screaming BRUUUUUCCCCCEE for three and a half hours at the Springsteen concert. I can't read, so I figured I'd still come in and check. What am I checking for? Am I listening to every word?

Rosalita from Red Bank

Dear Rosie,

Here's what your checking for:

- 1) The beginning and end of all files
- 2) All page/chapter announcements and marks
- 3) One figure (map, graph, etc.) per reader
- 4) One footnote/content note per reader
- 5) All reader changeovers
- 6) All Edits

With the exception of kindergarten-third grade level books, please do not listen to every word.

December Holiday Schedule

The studio's Christmas holiday schedule hasn't been finalized yet, so be on the lookout in the studio. It will be posted as soon as we know when we'll be closing and re-opening.



Readers Wanted

**Have any friends who are
scientists,
computer experts,
mathematicians,
or economists?**

**Do they have a couple of hours a
week to record for our members?**

We need them!

OUR NEW GOAL!

**We have been assigned the task of
recording 11,000 hours of material
between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010. If
you have any extra time to read or check
to get us toward that goal...COME ON IN!**

Hours of Service – July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

100 – 199 Hours

Jim Amick
Carolann Aspray
Margie Atwater
Vic Auerbach
Glenn Bartle
Burt Bauman
Loretta Bercuk
Juanell Boyd
Tony Brickman
Cathy Brown
Charlie Brunswick
Halina Bustin
Jeanne Calo
Debbye Castoldi
Lisa Coker
Patty Cooper
Aron Davidson
Helen Davies
Aurora Dean
Jack Doolin
Joanne Elliott
Andy Flager
Karen Frezza

Nancy Gardner
Clif Giddings
Dave Gonsiorowski
Irwin Gordon
Geoff Green
Sheldon Halpern
Cally Hanawalt
Ken Hanawalt
Jim Hastings
Peg Hastings
Angela Holman
Claudia Homoki
Fred Horowitz
Harriet Ingerslev
Fran Jones
Jeff Kaplan
Al Klein
Bruce Kmosko
Mindy Langer
Lisa Luke
Boomer Marquis
Ray Olson
Teddy Pavlin

Mary Kay Podlecki
Arlen Salthouse
Charlotte Scheiner
John Schivell
Susan Schwirck
Don Sheasley
Betsy Sherer
Larry Shultes
Gwen Southgate
Barbara Stoop
Sheri Tanne
Bob Timmerman
Anne Venditti
Anne Young
Bill Zellers

200 – 299 hours

Edith Borden
Kenn Clark
Jerry Freedman
Mickie Godfrey
Barbara Greene
Jean Gunkel
Shirley Jenks
Susan Kaplan
Bill Kastan
Lillian Mullen
Sandy Shapiro
Anne Shultes

Over 300 hours

Phyllis Branin
498 hours
Bob Kolker
396 hours
Dot Messineo
380 hours
Barbara Brown
347 hours



Special Recognition

Barbara Brown

Lillian Mullen

Ray Olson

Peter Wulff



Years of Service through June 30, 2009

51	Judith Pinch	27	Ray Olson Bob Timmerman	10	Joyce Boivin Chris Buchner Karen Checchio Joe Ercolino Nancy Gardner Ted Gora Sheldon Halpern Susan Hartmann John Madden Mariann McKee Shelley Sachs Barrie Shaw Isabelle Tucker
48	Nancy Amick	26	Ted Vial		
43	Geoff Green	25	Dot Messineo Fran Perlman Peter Wulff		
40	Nancy Beck Harry Pinch	23	Lewis Bair Jeanne Calo Victory Chase		
38	Bill DeBuvitz Peg Hastings Ed Levin Naomi Rose	22	Jane Jacobs	5	Anne Burns Helen Davies Dave Gonsiorowski Irene Hashfield Tom Lear Marvin Schuldiner Joe Sellers Theresa Sellers Barbara Stoop
37	Victor Bearg Irwin Gordon	21	Dave Hauge Doris Law Milt Levin Jim Mayer Maria Wagner		
36	Phyllis Branin	20	Felice Weinstein Ken Hanawalt Cathy Brown		
35	Al Medwin Marilyn Medwin Dick Williams	15	Karen Frezza Molan Goldstein Jean Gunkel Al Klein Charles Meuse Stu Nagourney Ray Sabin David Wang-Iverson		
33	Julia Bernheim Alison Hankinson Anne Young				
29	Roger Brink Marjorie Heyman John Schivell				
28	Jim Hastings George Vella-Coleiro				

Mimi Levin

Mimi Levin brought two unique experiences to her volunteer work at the New Jersey Studio: she had a career as Senior Examiner and Group Head at ETS and a grandson, Trevor, who just entered his sophomore year at Carnegie-Mellon after being the first blind student to take the AP Chemistry test while in high school. Mimi was instrumental in having the test made accessible for visually impaired students since before Trevor, nobody thought a visually impaired student would ever be interested in taking the exam.

Her husband Milt has been a volunteer for 21 years (even before Trevor was born) and it was a natural for Mimi to follow once she retired from ETS. Mimi knew the difference RFB&D could make in a student's life first hand and was a great supporter and advocate for the organization, as well as being a volunteer. We are recording *Peterson's Master the SAT 2009* in her memory.