

PHIL TERRY ... GENERAL MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF MARKETING FOR THE DELAWARE, OHIO COUNTY FAIR, was honored this morning as the 26th person elected to the Little Brown Jug Wall of Fame.

The ceremonies were held in the Hospitality Pavilion on the fairgrounds. Sam McKee was master of ceremonies.

Phil GREW UP ON HIS FAMILY FARM IN ALEXANDRIA, OHIO AND GRADUATED FROM NORTHRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL. ONE OF PHIL'S MANY DUTIES WAS WORKING WITH TURKEYS. HE SAYS TO THIS DAY THAT HIS FAMILY RAISED ORGANIC TURKEYS. All through his school years he was called "Turk."

IN NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT PHIL WAS A STUDENT AT OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY. HE HELPED DIRECT TRAFFIC AT THE DELAWARE FAIRGROUNDS. NOW FORTY-TWO YEARS LATER, HE WAS SELECTED AS THE TWO-THOUSAND TEN WALL OF FAME HONOREE BY A PANEL OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HARNESS RACING ENTHUSIASTS.

FOLLOWING GRADUATION PHIL WORKED WITH THE DELAWARE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT. ONE OF HIS DUTIES WAS WORKING WITH THE PRESS. WHENEVER THE FAIR WAS INVOLVED HE MET WITH TOMMY THOMSON ... PRESIDENT OF THE LITTLE BROWN JUG SOCIETY AND DIRECTOR OF RACING FOR THE DELAWARE FAIR. TOMMY WAS EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE DELAWARE GAZETTE.

PHIL LEFT THE DELAWARE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WORK WITH THE DELAWARE LAW FIRM OF PORTER-WRIGHT-MORRIS-ARTHUR.

IN NINETEEN EIGHTY-FOUR PHIL WAS NAMED CHIEF OF SECURITY FOR THE FAIR AND BEGAN WORKING CLOSELY WITH TOMMY. THEIR FRIENDSHIP GREW.

(LATER, PHIL WAS NAMED DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND IN TWO-THOUSAND-EIGHT THE FAIR'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED HIM AS THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY FAIR AND THE LITTLE BROWN JUG.

AMONG PHIL'S MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS HAS BEEN THE FINANCING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAVERN HILL JUGETTE BARN ... THE HOSPITALITY PAVILION ... AND THE TACK SHACK.

HE ALSO CREATED AND OVERSEES SIMULCASTING... THE FUTURE JUG POOL ... AND THE LITTLE BROWN JUG FANTASY STABLE CONTEST.

BUTTS IN SEATS IS PHIL'S FAVORITE EXPRESSION. TO BOOST ATTENDANCE AND EXCITEMENT FOR THE FAIR, PHIL ALLOWS –AND ENCOURAGES—PEOPLE TO WALK THROUGH THE BACKSTRETCH AND SEE THE HORSES AND TRAINERS UP CLOSE. THE FAIR ALLOWS FANS THROUGHOUT THE BARN AREA, ESPECIALLY ON JUGETTE AND JUG MORNINGS.

PHIL MARRIED KATIE MCNAMARA IN NINETEEN SEVENTY-FIVE AND HELPED HIS FATHER-IN-LAW HAROLD MCNAMARA WITH HIS STABLE OF HORSES THAT RACED UNDER THE SEA-MAC- FARM BANNER. KATIE VOLUNTEERS IN THE MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AT THE FAIR. SHE WAS THE TWO-THOUSAND LADY PACE HONOREE.

PHIL ALSO RECEIVED A PRESIDENT'S AWARD IN TWO-THOUSAND-EIGHT FROM THE U.S. TROTTING ASSOCIATION FOR DECADES OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO HARNESS RACING.