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PROGRAM

Dr. Walter A. Wood, President, The Explorers Club

Toastmaster, John J. Teal, Jr., University of Alaska

SPECIAL FEATURE

James M. Fowler, the noted zoologist, and John Craighton Murray, violin soloist

PRESENTATIONS

Award of the EDWARD C. SWEENEY MEMORIAL MEDAL to Captain Elliott B. Roberts

Award of the EXPLORERS MEDAL to Dr. William O. Field

FILM

Film commemorating the 60th anniversary of Admiral Robert E. Peary's attainment of the North Pole. Produced by Unit 1 Films, narrated by Robert E. Peary, Jr., still photographs courtesy of the National Geographic Society.

SPEAKERS

Max A. Conrad
David S. Humphreys

Captain James A. Lovell, Jr.
Ralph S. Plalsted

GUESTS OF HONOR

Col. Bernt Balchen
Max A. Conrad
Gen. James H. Doolittle
William O. Field, Jr.
James M. Fowler
David S. Humphreys

Capt. James A. Lovell, Jr.
Dr. Maynard M. Miller
Robert E. Peary, Jr.
Ralph S. Plalsted
Rear Adm. James R. Reedy
Capt. Elliott B. Roberts

James Sands
Guy Carrington Smith
Hon. A. Burks Summers
John J. Teal, Jr.
Dr. Walter A. Wood
Dr. William R. Wood



INVENIAM VIAM AUT FACIAM

-Seneca

I SHALL FIND A WAY OR MAKE ONE.

The Motto of Robert Edwin Peary U.S.N.

MEDALISTS

THE SWEENEY MEDAL

This evening, the Edward Cleaveland Sweeney Memorial Medal is awarded to Captain Elliott B. Roberts. This presentation is made in grateful recognition to Captain Roberts for his manifold contributions to human knowledge throughout his professional career with the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey and for the stature he has brought to our *Explorers Journal* during his editorship. Through Captain Roberts' guidance, the *Explorers Journal* has been made one of the leading publications on exploration throughout the world.



CAPTAIN ELLIOTT B. ROBERTS



DR. WILLIAM O. FIELD

THE EXPLORERS MEDAL

Dr. William O. Field has two qualifications which eminently qualify him to receive the Explorers Medal, the highest honor the Explorers Club can bestow. First, as a glaciologist, he is a man so distinguished in his field that he has, possibly, no superiors and few equals. Second, Dr. Field is a modest, cultured and educated man; in short, a great gentleman. He is the glaciologist of the American Geographical Society and formerly served as chairman of the Panel of Glaciology, IGY, and is on the Committee of Polar Research of the National Academy of Sciences.

EXOTIC HORS D'OEUVRES

Caribou
(roast and ragout)

Arctic Char
*(frozen whole,
smoked and steaks)*

Reindeer Eyeballs
(raw and pickled)

Arctic Lake Trout
Ptarmigan

Arctic White Fish
Canadian Seaweed

King Crab

Whale Liver Pate

Seal Meat, Eskimo Style

Muktuk

Fiddleheads

Equus Alaskensis



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DINNER MENU

TURTLE SOUP AMONTILLADO

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ROAST PRIME RIBS OF BEEF AU JUS

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RISSOLE POTATOES

•
BRUSSELS SPROUTS AU BEURRE

•
SALADE CHIFFONADE

•
BAKED ALASKA

•
CHERRIES FLAMBÉ

•
VANILLA ICE CREAM

•
COFFEE

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HOUSTON

THE EXPLORERS CLUB

M E N U

GLAZED ARCTIC CHAR

ROAST LEG OF REINDEER

BELUGA MUKTUK COCKTAIL

BELUGA MUKTUK
Keewatin Style

KING CRAB
Garnished

SEAL MEAT
Eskimo Style

MARINATED BELUGA MUKTUK
Mustard Dressing

REINDEER STEAKS
with Burgundy Dressing

SMOKED ARCTIC CHAR
Garnished

ARCTIC CHAR STEAKS
Eskimo Style

BELUGA WHALE LIVER
Pate

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BELUGA WHALE MEAT
In Spanish Sauce

BELUGA WHALE MEAT
In Indian Sauce

SMOKED CHAR PATE

ARCTIC CHAR STEAKS

ARCTIC CHAR SALADS

BELUGA WHALE MEAT
In Curry Sauce

CHOPPED BELUGA MUKTUK
Piquante

ARCTIC CHAR
Vol au Vent

MARINATED BELUGA MUKTUK
Mayonnaise Dressing

MUKTUK ROYAL
Vol au Vent

REINDEER MEAT SALAD

SPEAKERS



MAX ARTHUR CONRAD at the age of 66 has rolled up more hours—over 50,000—in the cockpit of an airplane than possibly any other airman who has ever lived. He is known to newspaper readers around the world as "The Flying Grandfather," and is without question the foremost pilot of light planes in the world. He holds the world's solo flight records from Casablanca to Los Angeles, established in June, 1959; Casablanca to El Paso, Texas, November, 1959; and 26,000 miles around the world alone in 8 days and 16 hours.

He has recently returned from a solo circumpolar flight which he was not able to complete because of severe mechanical problems. The St. Louis *GLOBE-DEMOCRAT* reported: "It seems likely that some day the record books will show that the first Round-the-World, Over-the-Poles solo flight to have been accomplished by Max Conrad. Whether his age then will be 66, 70 or 75 is beside the point. With Max Conrad, it really doesn't make any difference."

DAVID S. HUMPHREYS is an Australian who went to sea at the age of 16 as a midshipman. Later he served as navigator on trans-Atlantic liners before receiving his Master Mariner's certificate. He then took a degree in English literature and taught in American colleges before setting out on last year's Arctic expedition.

While his dog-sled expedition did not reach the Pole, Humphreys and his three companions did reach Cape Morris Jessup, the world's most northern point of land, discovered by Peary in 1900. An interesting disclosure was that Humphreys' latitude observation, processed by computer, corresponded almost exactly with Peary's.

Humphreys led a second expedition to Greenland in August, 1968, again carrying the Explorers Club flag. The exploration, which was navigated with the aid of a satellite transit receiver, revealed that the coastline of northeastern Greenland should be shifted 15 miles east, which increases the area by more than 3000 square miles.



CAPTAIN JAMES ARTHUR LOVELL, JR. earned his Bachelor of Science degree at the United States Naval Academy. He then received flight training and served in a number of aviation assignments, including a three-year tour as test pilot at the Naval Air Test Center.

In 1962 he was selected by NASA for his present assignment as U.S. astronaut. His three missions have given him the unique distinction of having more hours in space than any other man on earth.

With Colonel Frank Borman and Major William Anders as the crew of Apollo 8, Captain Lovell carried the Explorers Club flag on the historic flight that made ten orbits of the moon. Tonight, on the occasion of the return of the flag, the Club salutes all of these brave men and honors their courage and dedication.

RALPH S. PLAISTED, a St. Paul, Minnesota, insurance broker, leading a six-man expedition riding four, 16-horsepower snowmobiles, is the first person to ever successfully undertake a motorized journey across the Arctic to the North Pole.

Last April, in a 43-day trek which covered 830 miles in 65-below-zero weather, Plaisted and five companions became the first party since Peary, in 1909, to reach the North Pole by an overland route. His expedition is the first surface party to have had its position at the exact geographical North Pole, as verified by an outside source—the United States Air Force.





TOASTMASTER JOHN J. TEAL, JR. is a human ecologist whose original research concerning domestication of the musk ox is internationally known. Programs in this area continue to be conducted at stations in College, Alaska and Fort Chimo, Quebec. He is, at present, Professor of Human Ecology, University of Alaska.

CONCEPT AND ACTION

To oppose the theory of historical inevitability which tries to suggest that visionary and courageous individual men and teams of such men cannot alter the course of human history . . . to foster the qualities of curiosity, creativity and confidence which have led explorers to accept high challenge and, regardless of outcome, to be exalted by what they do . . . such are among the efforts of the World Center for Exploration—the educational and research arm of the Explorers Club—whose continuing purpose is to serve as a national catalyst, bringing together many agencies in the support of excellence in the exploration and field sciences.

By highlighting the positive and underscoring that vigor, humility and enrichment which derive from worthwhile tasks of exploration, our nation will be assured of a continuing cadre of men who will be looked up to by youth *not just for what they have done but for what they are.* And youth, too, will be emboldened to dare greatly.

Maynard M. Miller

Chairman, World Center for Exploration Foundation



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