

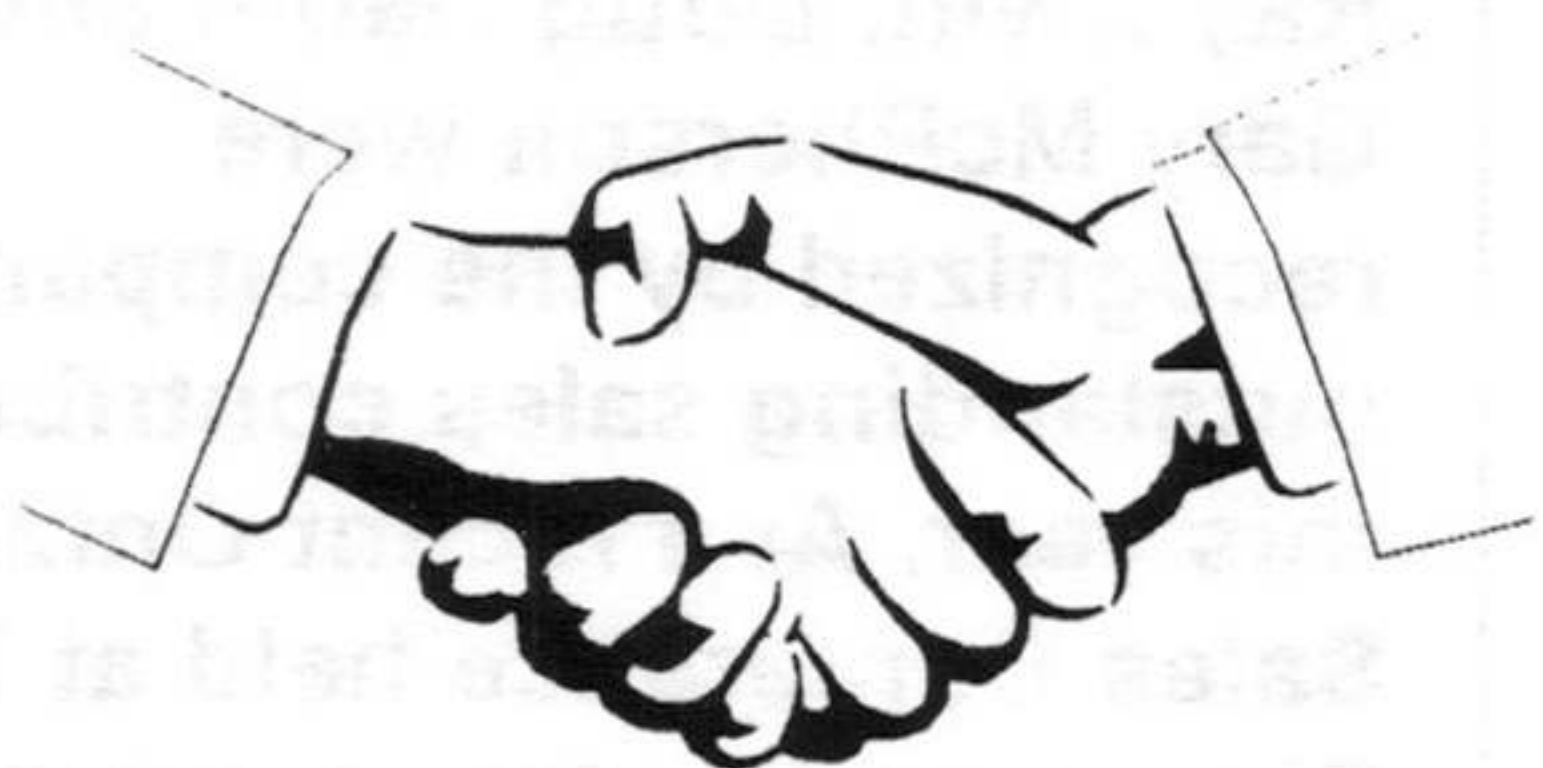
August 29, 1997

Station Break



Gone But Not Forgotten

After a brief holiday, I am happy to report that Station Break is back in business. Isn't it funny how the first day back from vacation erases all those wonderful moments spent doing nothing! It's been a while since our last issue so if I miss anything I hope you can find it in your hearts to forgive me. If not maybe you would like to help out which I would choose hands down over forgiveness!



Employee of the Month

John Smith chair of the vision committee announced Chris Dunseith as employee of the month for July. Chris is a valuable member of the CKCO staff and is able to do many in tasks for the operations department as well as EFP Shooting and Post Production. Chris is always willing to help out at a moments notice. Congratulations Chris.



It's Official !!!

After months of speculation the CRTC announced it's approval of the strategic merger of Baton with Electrohome, and now gives Baton ownership of ATV and ASN as well as permission for Baton to take control of the CTV Television Network.

Ivan Fecan, President and CEO of Baton issued the following statements:

"Baton is grateful for the opportunity, provided us today by the CRTC decision, to move forward with our firm commitment to bring quality Canadian programming to Canadians from coast-to-coast. We very much appreciate the Commission reaching its ruling expeditiously following our public hearing last month."

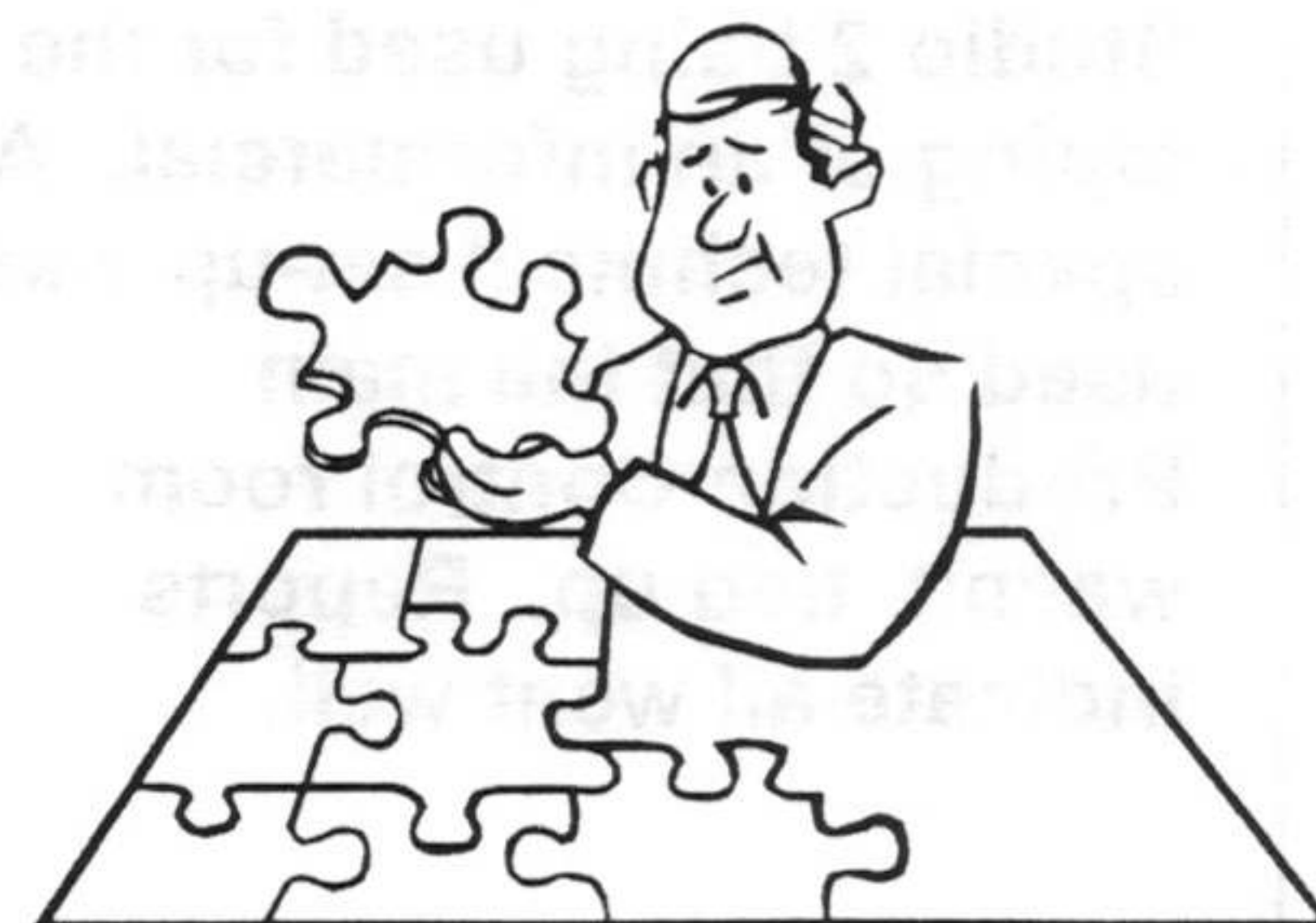
John Pollock, Chairman and CEO of Electrohome said he is very pleased the Baton/Electrohome transaction, which has been contemplated for more than a year, has been approved.

"While moving from operator to an investor after fifty years of direct involvement in Canadian broadcasting is a major change, I have great confidence in Baton's future," he said.

"Electrohome's results in the short term will no longer include the operating cash flow from it's two stations, however, the medium to long-term prospect for this new larger entity is positive for all concerned," he added.

Baton expects that the transaction with CHUM Limited involving the swap of television assets and the acquisition of CHUM's 14.28% equity interest in CTV, also approved by the CRTC, to be complete by the end of October as originally contemplated by the CHUM agreement.

Baton Broadcasting Incorporated is one of Canada's largest broadcasting and content providers. With the addition of Vancouver Television scheduled to launch September 22, 1997, Baton will have 25 television stations and cover 76% of Canada's English speaking population.





MODUS OPERANDI

Hope all you fellow BBSers are having just a splendid summer. Some of the goings-on in Operations;

We now have MII in the Master Control tapes area. A whole new rack sprang into life last week courtesy of John Smith and the engineering department. This new rack contains the 'new' MII machine, plus the VHS machines. As it stands now, we have the following tape formats in tapes area: one-inch, D-2, Betacam, MII, and VHS. We can also transfer footage shot on any other format by using a cable interface in the new rack. Many times we get news items shot on an 8mm video camera (viewer video) and we can put it to a format we can more readily use. Hey, we still (for a short time anyway) have a 16mm film unit to use too. Just call us "Formats-R-Us."

Anyone popping in the station on Sunday would've seen Studio 2 being used for the taping of an infomercial. A special technical set-up was used so that the main Production Control room wasn't tied up. Reports indicate all went well.

People stuff: Congratulations to Lisa Brisbin who got married recently. *Lisa Mayberry* was proudly showing off the wedding photos this week. So just what did you do with the other four toasters?! Lynda Lynch popped in for a visit on the weekend. Lynda and the new baby (At what point does a "new" baby become "old"?) are doing fine. Lynda returns in September.

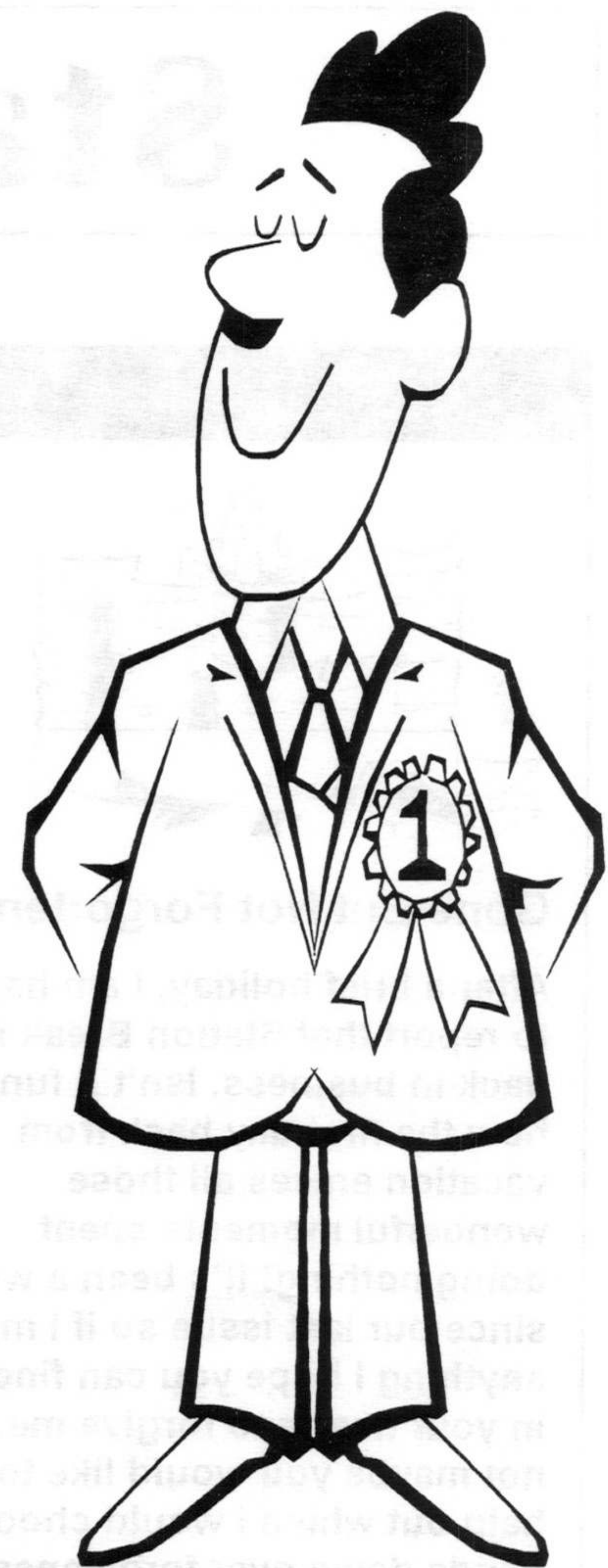
Well, time to fade to black until next time. The smell of the barbecue is beckoning, the gentle drone of the Sea-Doo is calling, the aroma of suntan lotion is nauseating....Hey it's the last long weekend of the summer! AJM



Congratulations

A number of employees have left the part time ranks in favor of a full time gig:

- Crista Mechliniski has been a part-time member of the Action News Team for the last three years
- Paul Smith joins the traffic department after several years as a part time employee in operations.
- Lesley Hadely has been working in the building through an agency and helped out in Accounting, Programming and Sales.
- Brenda Spencer joins us a full time Production Assistant and has been with us for 2 years part time.



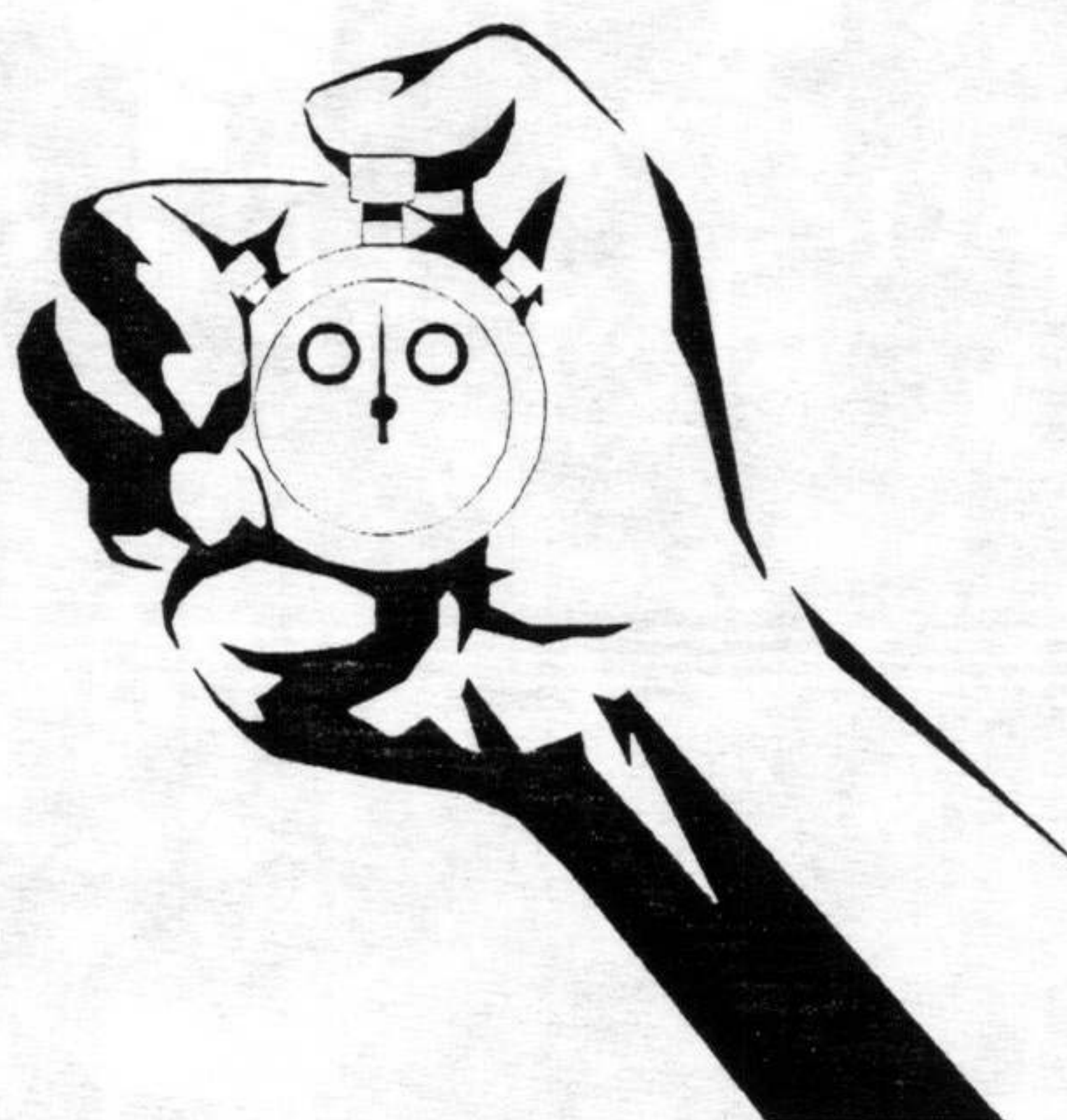
Ray Irwin, Doug Daum and Gary McPherson were recognized by the company for outstanding sales contributions this year. At a recent Ontario Sales Conference held at The Pinestone Inn Ray received an award for being the most over budget at CKCO and he "took in the Gold" as the most over budget in all of Ontario. Gary received the award as the number three rep in all of Ontario and Doug the number five rep. Congrats guys! Drop by sales and see the hardware. Mike Tiernay



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To everyone who celebrated a birthday in August we hope you had a Happy Birthday.

Cathy Parise
Gar Lewis
Michele Ayres
Dave Imrie
Pete McCallum
Gary McPherson
Paul Francescutti
Richard Thomas
Dave Carswell
AnneMarie Raines
Randy Ricketts
Andrew Heubner
Chris Waurchen
Chris Dunseith
Rick Walker
Angela Borges
Kevin Doerr

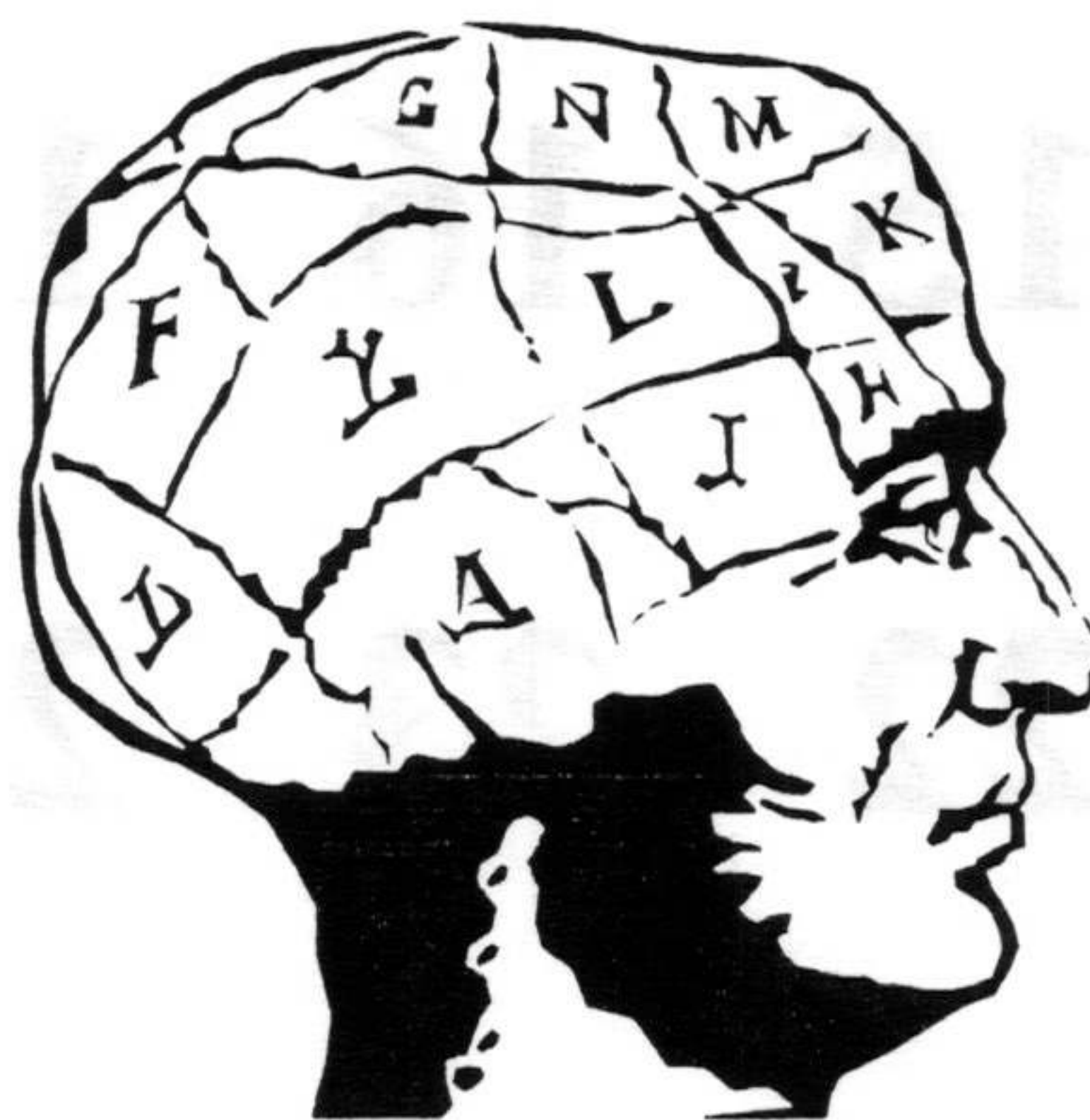


HOW LONG?

Happy Anniversary to those who joined the company at various years in August:

Brian Dunseith	08/29/75
David Imrie	08/29/77
Janet Taylor	08/24/87
Bruce Emmerson	08/24/87
Phil Maeers	08/29/88
Chris Uhrig	08/21/89
Steve Lowe	08/20/90
Mike Lockston	08/05/91
Crista Mechlinski	08/09/94
Marie Adsett	08/07/96

Congratulations everyone.

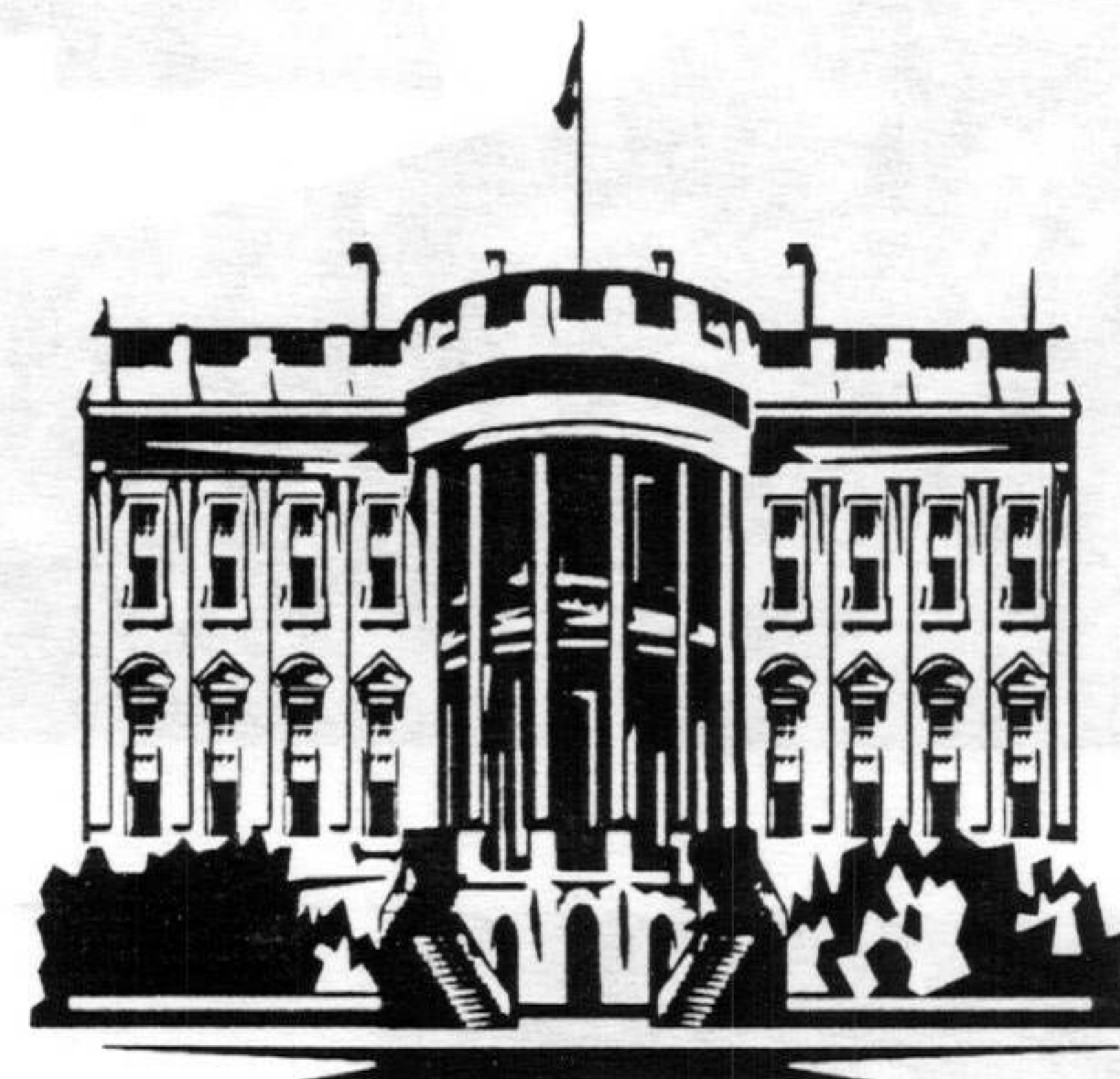


Brainbuster !!!

Answer this skill testing question and you could win a CKCO prize package. Please put your answers in a sealed envelope at the back door.

You throw away the outside, cook the inside, then you eat the outside and throw away the inside. What is it?

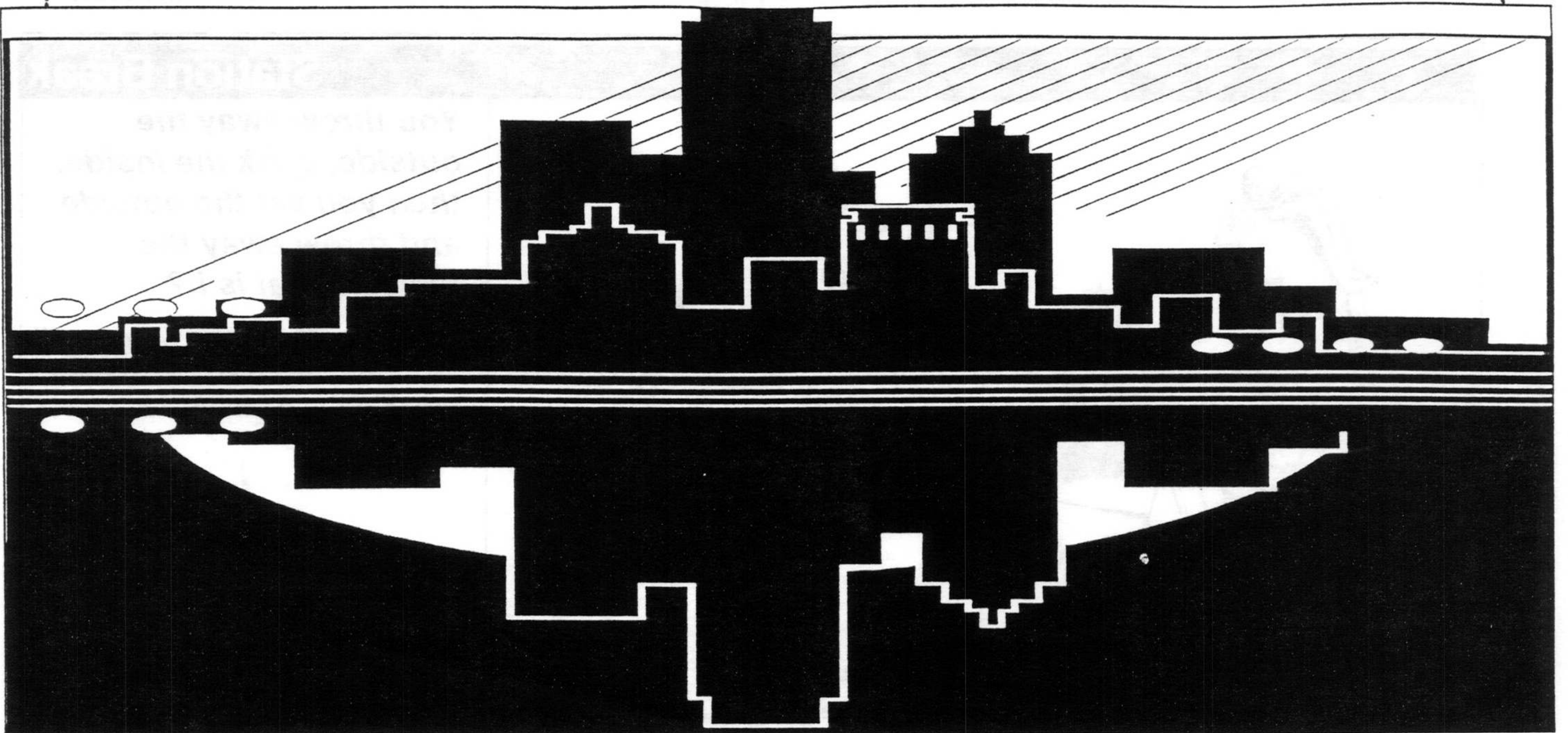
The answer and the winner will be in the next issue of Station Break on September 12.



OPEN HOUSE

The date has been set and our partners are in place for our second annual "Open House". The date is Saturday September 13th from 10 am to 2 pm. To all those who attended our meeting this week thanks very much, a lot of great ideas and suggestions were shared and the event promises to be great. There is still time to sign up if you would like to help out on the day. Once again the Brick has opened their doors for all of our volunteers and I hope everyone can join us to throw back a few pints and share a few laughs. If you think of anything that would help us out or improve on last year its not too late, simply drop me a note or leave a voice mail message at ext. 414.
Dave MacNeil

The Rumor Guy is out of the building temporarily but rumor has it he will return. Please start your own rumors or keep the ones already started going.



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