



The Toronto Seminar group in session.

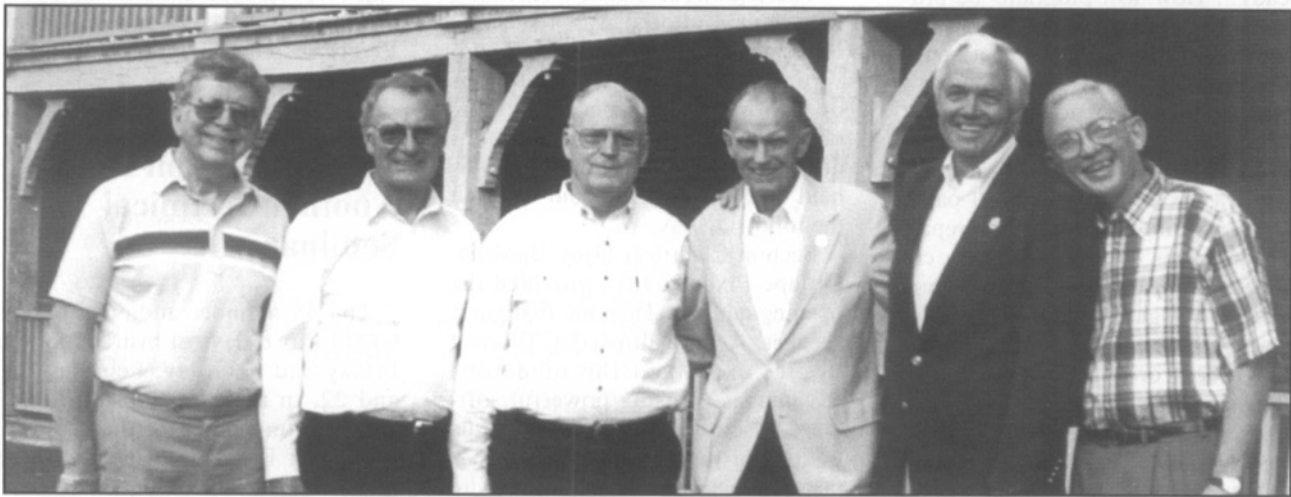
and what users should consider when dealing with video and file servers. Peter Bartlett, Applied Electronics, then demonstrated the HP server.

The second day was equally informative and practical. Stuart Hurst, Panasonic Canada, presented an overview of the 4:2:2 DVCPRO technology, and Keith Jackson,

Sony of Canada, provided a complementary view with the Sony BetaSX format. Fiber-optic technology was discussed by Randy Conrod, Leitch, and his colleague Rakesh Pate provided a practical demonstration on handling fiber. Robert Johnston, CBC Toronto, provided a review of digital audio and video basics, with an emphasis on the relevant SMPTE and AES/EBU standards.

All the registrants and seminar presenters received a certificate, distinctive T-shirts, and promotional items from Applied Electronics, Leitch, Panasonic, and Sony. Gary Bertoia, Magnetic South, won the door prize draw for a portable CD player donated by Panasonic Canada Inc. — Fred Benedikt (Secretary/Treasurer) CBC Engineering Toronto

SMPTE FORMER PRESIDENTS GET TOGETHER



The "Former Prez Reunion": from left to right, Carlos Kennedy, Harold Eady, Bob Smith, Ken Mason, Blaine Baker, and Irwin Young.

What began as after-dinner talk became a reality in May when the "First Annual Former SMPTE Prez Reunion" was held at Callaway Gardens, south of Atlanta. Six former Presidents and two former staff members, arrived with their spouses, on Wednesday, May 14, at this beautiful resort in the hills of Georgia, near the Warm Springs Little White House and FDR State Park.

All living former Presidents were invited, and the following were able

to attend: Ken Mason (1975-1976), Bob Smith (1979-1980), Harold Eady (1985-1986), Carlos Kennedy (1987-1988), Blaine Baker (1991-1992) and Irwin Young (1993-1994). They were joined by former SMPTE Executive Director Lynette Robinson and former SMPTE Director of Engineering Sherwin (Si) Becker.

There was plenty to see and do for the three-day event, but the most fun was recalling the many memories that all had shared during the years.

A beautiful sunset dinner was held on Thursday night, May 15, on a balcony overlooking one of the golf courses. And speaking of golf, the winner's traveling trophy for golf was won this year by the "youngest" of the group, Ken Mason. By unanimous decision, the Former Prez Reunion is now an annual event. Carlos Kennedy and his wife, Fran, volunteered to serve as 1998 hosts in Flat Rock, N.C.

— Robert M. Smith