



Herbert W. Larson

He graduated from Nebraska School for the Deaf with the Class of 1951.

It is with great sadness that the Larson Family announces the recent passing of Herb W. Larson. On behalf of everyone at GLAD, we would like to offer the Larson Family our sincerest sympathies for the loss of a loved one, Herb.

A brief history of Herb: Herb received his master's degree in 1965 from the National Leadership Training Program. He then returned to that program as an instructor in 1972. Several years later, he became the Director of the National Center on Deafness (NCOD) at California State University, Northridge in 1979 and worked till retirement in 1998. Herb was a prominent leader and a dynamic host of the show called Off Hand with the late Lou Fant.

<https://www.accessnetwork.tv/off-hand>.

A message by the CEO of GLAD, Dr. Patricia Hughes:

Herb was one of the instrumental players in leading the GLAD team from 1992 to 2004 then with Patricia from 2003 to 2004. He joined the GLAD board as a member in 1992 and was then elected as the board president in 1997. In 2004, he retired from the GLAD Board. Before he completed the terms, he was an invaluable asset to our organization at the Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness and was actively involved within our communities.

He was a great GLAD Board president, and Patricia had the opportunity to work with him when she first joined GLAD in 2003 for a year. She could remember the first day she arrived here as the GLAD's new CEO, he picked her up at the airport and wanted to go out for lunch. He then told me that he was not familiar with restaurants in Burbank or here in Eagle Rock. He asked if she wouldn't mind dining at McDonald's. She didn't mind so they ended up eating at McDonald's and it was one of the best lunches she had because it was with him and Patricia Hughes with his witty sense of humor.

He was a very gracious person presiding over the GLAD board. We thank him for his years of contribution and continuous support of GLAD over the years. Patricia had the pleasure of working with him during this time before he retired from the board. May his family be comforted during this time of grief and cherish the memories of Herb and his life.

*NSDAA will update his obituary if receives any. *