Ar. Show Biz' dives into local radio waves again

Dick Osgood, considered a "dean of Detroit radio" personali-ties, is returning to the local radio scene.
Osgood, 92, joins the research staff of Somewhere in Time, a locally produced nostalgic radio show.

show.
Dubbed as Detroit's "Mr. Show
Biz." Osgood started his Detroit
radio career at WXYZ as a copywriter in 1935 at \$65 per week.
He retired from the station in
1971.

On his former "Show World" program on WXYZ, a comment from Osgood could make or break a movie in the Detroit market.

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Osgood, a Farmington Hills resident, was also the Fact Finder on
WYYZ and in 1939 dumined a capand gown to serve as the host of
the Radio Schoolhouse.
At one time, Osgood had to approve every line of copy aired on
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"Having Dick in our family igust like traveling buck in time," said Tom Wilson, the host of Somewhere in Time. Dick knows everything (good and bad) about early Detroit radio, Imngine being ebite to check out a bit of nostalgia with someone who joked with the Lone. Ranger, swapped stories with the Green Hornet and talked about dogs with Sergeant Present the Control of the Control

1% lay, investments and gar-dening occupy Osgood's leisure

time. Osgood recalls with delight the

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'Having Dick in our family is just like trav-eling back in time.'

Tom Wilson Somewhere in Time host

start of the careers of Mike Wal-lace, Soupy Sales, Douglas Ed-ward, Johnnie Desmond and oth-ers at WXYZ. Along with J. Edgar Hoover, Osgood was a pallbearer at Brace Beemer's funeral in 1965.

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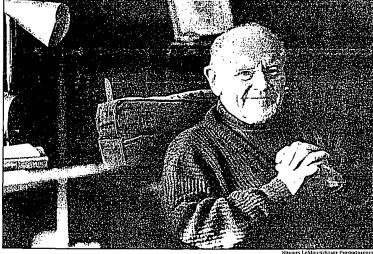
Beener, whose "Hill-Yo, Silver" enthraled 10-year-olds for several decades, was announcer for the popular program.

When Earle Graser, the original Lone Ranger was killed in an automobile accident in April 1941, Beener stepped into the role.

Graser lived in a home on Locust Drive that is scheduled to become Farmington's first bed and breakfast.

Osgood joins octogenarian B. Franklin Steiner, an 85-year-old retired diplomat who listens to Somewhere in Time in Aflington, Va., and furnishes the program with the closing quotes heard at the end of each show.

Osgood and his wife, Anne, have two children, Stella Bartlett Kirby and William Estey Osgood.



Dick Osgood takes it easy — but not too easy. He's back at the radio mike to resume that has spanned decades.

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