

ROBERT H. JORDAN, JR., Ph.D.

Robert H. Jordan, Jr., is a weekend anchor for WGN-TV's News at Nine. He also produces, writes and reports stories for the weekday and weekend news. Bob's prestigious journalism career has spanned over 30 years and has showcased his exceptional writing and verbal communications skills. After serving in the United States Army as a surgical assistant, Bob began his broadcast adventure in 1970 at WSM-TV in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1973, he joined WGN-TV as a general assignment reporter and an anchor for the One O'clock News.

In 1978, Bob left WGN for a network spot at CBS News. He covered stories for the nightly news with Walter Cronkite until 1980 when he returned to his WGN home. Bob expanded on his reporting duties by producing, writing and reporting documentaries and news series. His documentary credits include: *The Atlanta Child Murders; The Barnevelde Tornado,* which examined the overnight destruction of a Wisconsin town; and *The Price of Dignity,* which exposed ruthless tactics within the funeral industry.

When not wearing his WGN anchor/reporter hat, Bob is involved in a variety of other endeavors. He has served as a co-anchor for *News Odyssey*, a religious news program on The Hallmark Television Network. He also is co-executive producer and host of *Sowing Seeds*, a show produced by Jordan's television production company, Jordan and Jordan Communications, Inc. Bob has two screenplays to his credit, *Anthony's Key* and *Multi-Man*. He also has written articles for the *Chicago Tribune*, including an awarding winning article on surviving prostate cancer. An active participant in the community, Bob serves on the Board of Directors of several local organizations including The Safer Foundation, The Night Ministry, Project Exploration and the John G. Shedd Aquarium. He also sits on the DePaul School of Education's advisory board and the Salvation Army advisory board.

Bob, who is a scuba diver and plays the French horn, earned his undergraduate degree from Roosevelt University, a Master's degree from Northeastern Illinois University and a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership & Policy Studies from Loyola University in Chicago. A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Bob and his wife, Sharon, have one daughter, Karen, who is a weekend news anchor for WLS-TV in Chicago. Karen's husband Christian Farr is a reporter for WTTW, PBS in Chicago.