

Solution for 2.5 Rob Peter (Answer = TWOMEY)

"Rob Peter" is selected for the idiomatic expression "rob Peter to pay Paul". The name Paul also means small and humble indicating that Paul is indeed the theme of this puzzle. The years these events happened are used to sort the last names.

Event	Person	Year
Born 20 June 1930	Paul Pender	1930
Died 26 September 2008	Paul Newman	2008
A controversial move from West Ham to Manchester	Paul Ince	1989
Acting in The Emperor Jones , Without A Clue	Paul Robeson	1933
Acting in The Emperor Jones , Without A Clue	Paul Freeman	1988
Attaining the title of flat racing Champion Trainer	Paul Cole	1991
Becoming the most hated wrestler of the year	Paul Orndorff	1986
Being appointed as the High Sheriff of Durham	Paul Nicholson	1980
Challenging the California Alien Land Laws	Paul Igasaki	1948
Getting a maths PhD at the University of Budapest	Paul Erdos	1934
Obtaining the James Tait Black Memorial Prize	Paul Theroux	1981
Performing a duet with Celine Dion	Paul Anka	1998
Receiving an Eagle Award for the Ultimates	Paul Neary	2005
Tying the knot with an actress named Joy	Paul Scofield	1943
Winning the Max Planck Medal twice	Paul Dirac	1952
Winning the Max Planck Medal twice	Paul Ewald	1978

Now sorting it by year:

Year	Person
1930	P ender
1933	R obeson
1934	E rdos
1943	S cofield
1948	I gasaki
1952	D irac
1978	E wald
1980	N icholson
1981	T heroux
1986	O rndorff
1988	F reeman
1989	I nce
1991	C ole
1998	A nka
2005	N eary
2008	N ewman

This gives PRESIDENTOFICANN. A quick search gives Dr. Paul Twomey as the current president of ICANN.