



# RETIREE'S CLUB OF ARIZONA NEWSLETTER



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**Upcoming Events**

- May 6 - Meeting - Paul Messinger - Stories and Personal Experiences in Scottsdale History
- Sept 2 - Meeting

**Frank Holman**, President, welcomed members and guests to the meeting on April 1, 2009. **Doug Culy** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Frank spoke to the group about efforts the Board is undertaking to improve the quality of the December Holiday Event experience. The challenge for the Board has been to maintain a low price for the traditionally sit-down event. Options are to raise the price of the event, change to a cocktail party with buffet type event, or cancel the event and reinstate a December meeting with enhanced goodies rather than cookies and soda. A poll of attendees overwhelmingly preferred to accept a price increase and retain the current format. Those of you who would like to vote or offer suggestions, please e-mail the Editor.

The club is seeking a volunteer to perform as Recording Secretary. The function of this position is to record Board meeting business conducted prior to each monthly meeting. Please consider taking on this important role.

**Marge Ebeling** of the **Well-care Foundation**, one of our supported charities, showed a video and explained the free services provided to single parent families in Maricopa County. The number single parents and dependents who earn too much to qualify for ACCS but not enough to afford private health care insurance is now estimated to approach 200,000.

Our featured speaker was **Tony Peitch**. Tony worked in Advanced Technology, almost exclusively with Closed Brayton Cycle systems. Closed systems operate using the same thermodynamic cycles as normal gas turbines but require an external source of both heat and cooling. The advantage of these systems is that, by operating at pressures well above atmospheric, more power can be produced with smaller sized turbomachinery.

The objective of the Enhanced Oil Recovery System was to double the recovery of crude oil from wells in California. This joint venture between AlliedSignal and Wheelabrator

-Frye was driven as a result of the 1973 Arab oil embargo. The basic system used a fluidized bed combustor, burning petroleum coke, along with the closed brayton cycle unit, to produce both electricity for plant use and potential sale and steam to inject into the wells to enhance oil recovery. Unfortunately, as the development program was nearing completion, the price of oil dropped back to pre-embargo levels and thus the system economics were no longer viable. However, a full scale demonstration plant was built and operated, although when problems developed, lack of spare parts resulted in the full termination of the program.

On April 21, 138 of our friends and spouses met and ate at the annual outing at the Rock Springs Café. Three 50/50 prizes were awarded and \$10 gift certificates for the Rock Springs Café were won by **Ed Gammill** and **Barb Cheshire**. Check out the photos on the website.

We have lost track of the whereabouts of the following member -

**Bob Rhodes**

If you have any info, please contact **Diane Bennett**.

Next month's speaker will be **Paul Messinger**. His topic will focus on Scottsdale history using his rich background including ranching with his father on the Rio Verde.

This month's charity donations were sent to **Az. Humane Society** and **Habitat**

**for Humanity**. The 50/50 raffle winners were **Joe Brutsche** and **Cheryl Smith**.

Thank You notes were received from **United Food Bank** and **St Vincent de Paul**.

A list of the charities from which the board chooses monthly donations is posted on the website. If you have a favorite charity you would like the club to consider for donations, please bring it to our attention.

We welcome any member who wishes to speak to the meeting on a topic of general interest. To do so, please contact any Board Member immediately prior to the start of the meeting.

The Club issues new membership rosters each year. We ask you to properly destroy (shred) old rosters. This information is provided so that our members may stay in touch with good friends. We do not wish this information to fall into the hands of solicitation organizations or worse.

Please remember to wear your badge to meetings and functions. It sure helps in remembering names. If you have lost your badge, **Diane Bennett** can make you a new one for a \$2.00 charge.

**Reminder** - we no longer charge dues for the spouse of couples who are both retirees from AiResearch/ Garrett/ AlliedSignal/ Honeywell.

We are looking for **volunteers** to bring some of our non-driving West Side mem-

bers to and from the meetings. If you are willing to help, please contact **Al** 480-218-7199.

Our monthly meetings are held at the **Scottsdale Senior Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef**, (just north of McDowell). The meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month, September - May, except for December - our Holiday Luncheon. Our social hour begins at **1:00 pm**, club business is conducted at **1:45 pm**, the presentation starts at **2:00 pm** and adjournment is at **3:00 pm**.

A board meeting is held prior to the regular meeting and all members are invited to attend.

We welcome any input and please send the editor any items that may be of interest to our members.

### **HELP EACH OTHER**

If you need some assistance, e-mail [s.mitnik@worldnet.att.net](mailto:s.mitnik@worldnet.att.net) with your need and contact information.

AiResearch/Garrett Historical Information - **Ed Gammill**, Historian, asks that if you send /give him photos, please write on the back the names of everyone in the photo. Ed's contact info is on page 1. Ed would like to thank **Zelda Ormsby** who donated a practically unused copy of "Out of Thin Air--GARRETT's First 50 Years" for our history collection.

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**Arizona Braille and Talking Book Library** is looking for volunteers with mechanical or

electrical skills to repair cassette machines. If interested, contact **Frank Holman**.

The Club periodically receives information about employment opportunities that may be of interest to our members. We put notices in the newsletter and post them on the website when new opportunities become available.

## **NEWS YOU CAN USE**

The **Oak Street Gleaners** are looking for a few more volunteers to perform service activity on the last **Wednesday** of every month. Contact **Al Stimac** 480-218-7199 for more info.

**Honeywell Health and Wellness Center memberships** are available for retirees and their spouses at just \$10 per month per person. Get together with some of your buddies! Call them! Phoenix 602 -231-7920, Tempe 480-592-1389. **Wellness Center** info is also posted on our website.

## **2009 Activity Calendar Honeywell Retirees of Arizona (Honeywell North):**

More info at [WWW.HRCAZ.ORG](http://WWW.HRCAZ.ORG)

## **Other Stuff**

### **Internet Proverbs**

1. Home is where you hang your @.
2. The e-mail of the species is more deadly than the mail.
3. A journey of a thousand sites begins with a single click.

4. You can't teach a new mouse old clicks.
5. Great groups from little icons grow.
6. Speak softly and carry a cellular phone.
7. C: is the root of all directories.
8. Don't put all your hypes in one home page.
9. Pentium wise; pen and paper foolish.
10. The modem is the message.
11. Too many clicks spoil the browse.
12. The geek shall inherit the earth.
13. A chat has nine lives.
14. Don't byte off more than you can view.
15. Fax is stranger than fiction.
16. What boots up must come down.
17. Windows will never cease.
18. Virtual reality is its own reward.
19. Modulation in all things.
20. A user and his leisure time are soon parted.
21. There's no place like home.com.
22. Know what to expect before you connect.
23. Oh, what a tangled website we weave when first we practice.
24. Speed thrills.
25. Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach him to use the Net and he won't bother you for weeks.

## ----- **HOW TO PROPERLY PLACE NEW EMPLOYEES**

Put 400 bricks in a closed room. Put your new hires in the room and close the door. Leave them alone, come back after 6 hours and then analyze the situation,

- a. If they are counting the bricks, put them in the Accounting Department.
  - b. If they are recounting them, put them in Auditing.
  - c. If they have messed up the whole place with the bricks, put them in Engineering.
  - d. If they are arranging the bricks in some strange order, put them in Planning.
  - e. If they are throwing the bricks at each other, put them in Operations.
  - f. If they are sleeping, put them in Security.
  - g. If they have broken the bricks into pieces, put them in Information Technology.
  - h. If they are sitting idle, put them in Human Resources.
  - i. If they say they have tried different combinations, they are looking for more, yet not a brick has been moved, put them in Sales.
  - j. If they have already left for the day, put them in Marketing.
  - k. If they are staring out of the window, put them in Strategic Planning.
1. If they are talking to each other, and not a single brick has been moved, congratulate

them and put them in Upper Management.

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Whatever hits the fan will not be distributed evenly.

I have kleptomania, but when it gets bad, I take something for it.

**FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS!**  
Except that one where you're naked in church.

Sometimes too much to drink isn't enough.

Kinky is using a feather. Perverted is using the whole chicken.

Heaven is where:  
The Police are British,  
The Chefs are Italian,  
The Mechanics are German,  
The Lovers are French  
and it's all organized by the Swiss.

Hell is where:  
The Police are German,  
The Chefs are British,  
The Mechanics are French,  
The Lovers are Swiss  
and it's all organized by the Italians.

Suicidal twin kills sister by mistake!

My short-term memory is not as sharp as it used to be. Also, my short-term memory's not as sharp as it used to be.

In just two days from now, tomorrow will be yesterday.

A bartender is just a pharmacist with a limited inventory  
I may be schizophrenic, but at least I have each other.

Dyslexics Have More Nuf.

I like cats too. Let's exchange recipes.

Corduroy pillows are making headlines!

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Health Questions & Answers

Q: I've heard that cardiovascular exercise can prolong life. Is this true?

A: Your heart is only good for so many beats, and that's it... don't waste them on exercise. Everything wears out eventually. Speeding up your heart will not make you live longer; that's like saying you can extend the life of your car by driving it faster. Want to live longer? Take a nap.

Q: Should I cut down on meat and eat more fruits and vegetables?

A: You must grasp logistical efficiencies. What does a cow eat? Hay and corn. And what are these? Vegetables. So a steak is nothing more than an efficient mechanism of delivering vegetables to your system. Need grain? Eat chicken. Beef is also a good source of field grass (green leafy vegetable). And a pork chop can give you 100% of your recommended daily allowance of vegetable products.

Q: Should I reduce my alcohol intake?

A: No, not at all. Wine is made from fruit. Brandy is distilled wine, that means they take the water out of the fruity bit so you get even more of the goodness that way. Beer is also made out of grain. Bottoms up!

Q: How can I calculate my body/fat ratio?

A: Well, if you have a body and you have fat, your ratio is one to one. If you have two bodies, your ratio is two to one, etc.

Q: What are some of the advantages of participating in a regular exercise program?

A: Can't think of a single one, sorry. My philosophy is: No Pain...Good!

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Helicopters can't really fly - they're just so ugly that the earth immediately repels them.

*In Memory of our  
departed friends and co-  
workers*

- EARL CAMPBELL**
- EDWARD CHU**
- BILL DONALDSON**
- GERALD DREWES**
- V. EFFERT**
- D. GANGESTAD**
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