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The Editor apologizes for the mistake in last month's newsletter. It should have said 'those retiring after June 31 1992'. Sorry for any confusion I may have caused.

As is usual, our December event is the Holiday Luncheon attended by 101 of our friends and family members in Fountain Hills. The food was great,

the weather couldn't have been more cooperative, the view of the canyon - breathtaking.

An informal survey was almost unanimous to have next year's party at the same place. 92% (68 comments) enjoyed the luncheon and would return to Sunridge next year; 8% (6 comments) would prefer something different (table service vs



*Carl Pfitzer, Diane Bennet, & Ed Taschner pose by the food gifts and toys that the Club will give to two families sponsored by the Vista del Camino organization of Scottsdale. Carl and Ed's wives, Viki and Mary, did all the toys and clothing shopping, but were unable to attend.*

#### Upcoming Events

- Jan 5 – Meeting - Stan Settles – Speed Week at Bonneville Salt Flats
- Feb 2 – Meeting – John Norton - Illustrated talk on India
- Mar 2 – Meeting -

buffett [1], too far [4], other [1]). Keep your fingers crossed that the weather next year is as gorgeous as it was this year.

The 50/50 winners were Bill Waggoner and George Plumos.

Roy Aldridge's guest, Linda Olson from Fort Worth, TX won the "Who Came The Farthest?" The door prize winners were Richard Carpenter, Ken Osterberg, Russ Staub, Bud Farrington, Virgil Dutton, Joanne West, Shirley Lester, Margory Needham, Bob Rencenberger, and Jack Wryszczynisky.

The Club is looking of an assistant for **Diane Bennett**. Diane does a huge, but largely unseen, job in supporting the club. Her assistant could be a club member or the spouse of a member. If interested contact **Diane** or **Ed Taschner**.

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 are looking for volunteers to call members to remind them of upcoming meetings. If willing to help, please contact **Diane Bennett**.

**Have you moved?** If so provide your new address to **Diane Bennett** in order to continue to get this terrific newsletter et. al.

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.

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**.

Board meetings will no longer be held prior to the regular meeting. However, we do welcome your input and please contact any board member or send the editor any items that may be of interest to our members.

## **HELP EACH OTHER**

If you need some assistance, e-mail [smitnik@cox.net](mailto:smitnik@cox.net) with your need and contact information.

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**Diane Bennett** needs a volunteer to call members to remind them about the meetings. If you can help, contact **Diane**.

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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.

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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**

**IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING.** It's time to encourage your family member/college student to inquire about the **HRC Scholarship Program**. Each of the three state universities have information on their web sites about their application process. Since 1999, the first year of the program, twenty scholarships have been awarded. Check with the college scholarship office for application deadlines (normally in March). The requirements for application are as follows:

1. The applicant must be a family member of an active member (current dues paying) or associate member (spouse

of deceased active member) of the **Retirees**. Family members are defined as children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc. of the retiree. On all applications the submitter must include the company, division, year of retirement, and the current phone number of the retiree or associate.

2. Only students that will be entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year are eligible.

3. Students applying must have evidence of **cumulative 3.0 or higher grade point average**.

4. Applicants must re-apply annually.

5. Receipt of this scholarship does not restrict the student from receiving other scholarships.

6. Students **majoring in Science and Technology related fields will be given preference**, but if there are no approved applicants in related fields, then all majors will be considered. In the case of equal qualifications, financial need will be the deciding factor.

#### ASU

<http://students.asu.edu/node/1184>

#### NAU

[http://www4.nau.edu/finaid/types\\_of\\_aid/scholarships/donor\\_scholarships.html](http://www4.nau.edu/finaid/types_of_aid/scholarships/donor_scholarships.html) - scroll to Honeywell

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[https://financialaid.arizona.edu/scholarships/outside/Honeywell\\_Retiree\\_Club\\_Scholarship.aspx](https://financialaid.arizona.edu/scholarships/outside/Honeywell_Retiree_Club_Scholarship.aspx)

The Retirees Club Board has decided that for sale or trade items will not be published in the newsletter. However, we will provide a bulletin board at each meeting where any club member may post for sale or trade items for the duration of the meeting. All posted items will be discarded at the conclusion of the meeting.

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This November 2010, **John Torphy** celebrated his 90th Birthday. John led the Specification Group in Preliminary Design starting in the 1950's. He organized the AiResearch Tennis League. John was a past President and is still a member of the Phoenix Toastmasters. He still plays a mean saxophone.

John is a USC graduate, and a WWII veteran. He's a widower and father of two daughters who live locally, and a son living in San Diego. He is also a grand- and great-grandfather.

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If you would like to honor or provide information about a member with a newsletter blurb, please e-mail the information to [smitnik@cox.net](mailto:smitnik@cox.net).

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**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.

## 2011 Activity Calendar Honeywell Retirees of Arizona (Honeywell North):

- January 11 - Falcon Field Commemorative Air Force
- January 25 - Day at the Races, Turf Paradise
- February 22 - Musical Instrument Museum
- February TBD - Olive Mill

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

## Other Stuff

The computer swallowed grandma.

Yes, honestly it's true!  
She pressed 'control' and 'enter'

And disappeared from view.

It devoured her completely,  
The thought just makes me squirm.

She must have caught a virus  
Or been eaten by a worm.

I've searched through the recycle bin

And files of every kind;  
I've even used the Internet,  
But nothing did I find.

In desperation, I asked Google  
My searches to refine.

The reply from him was negative,

Not a thing was found 'online.'

So, if inside your 'In-box,'  
My Grandma you should see,  
Please 'Copy', 'Scan' and 'Paste' her

And send her back to me.

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IDIOT SIGHTING:

The spotlight on the corner buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged probation officer coworker of

mine in Wichita, KS. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red.

Appalled, she responded, 'What on earth are blind people doing driving?'

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**IDIOT SIGHTING:**

We had to have the garage door repaired. The Sears repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one Sears made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower.

He shook his head and said, 'Lady, you need a 1/4 horsepower.' I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4. He said, 'No, it's not. Four is larger than two...'

We haven't used Sears repair since!

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Love those wonderful Church Bulletins:

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours".

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I Will Not Pass This Way

Again.' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation...

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Charley, a new retiree-greeter at Wal-Mart, just couldn't seem to get to work on time.

Every day he was 5, 10, 15 minutes late. But he was a good worker, really tidy, clean-shaven, sharp-minded and a real credit to the company and obviously demonstrating their "Older Person Friendly" policies.

One day the boss called him into the office for a talk. "Charley, I have to tell you, I like your work ethic, you do a bang-up job, but you're being late so often is quite bothersome."

"Yes, I know boss, and I am working on it."

"Well good, you are a team player. That's what I like to hear. It's odd though you're coming in late. I know you're retired from the Armed Forces. What did they say if you came in late there?"

"They said, "Good morning, General, can I get you coffee, sir?"

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An engineer was crossing a road one day, when a frog called out to him and said, "If you kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess." He bent over, picked up the frog and put it in his pocket.

The frog then cried out, "If you kiss me and turn me back into a princess, I'll stay with you for one week and do ANYTHING you want."

Again, the engineer took the frog out, smiled at it and put it back into his pocket. Finally, the frog asked, "What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess and that I'll stay with you for one week and do anything you want. Why won't you kiss me?"

The engineer said, "Look, I'm an engineer. I don't have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog, now that's cool!"

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

**WILLIAM ABBOTT  
DOUG ALEXANDER  
ALICE BATES  
LAWRENCE BRALLIAR  
DAVID ESCHBORN  
KEITH EWING  
K LANE FELIX  
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