



RETIREE'S CLUB OF ARIZONA NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Events

- May 7 - Meeting - Wendy Franz, Docent, Phoenix Art Museum
- Sept 3 - Meeting

George Davis, President, welcomed members and guests to the meeting on Apr. 2, 2008. George Mattson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

George announced that the 2008 Holiday Luncheon will be held at the Scottsdale Senior Center. Use of this facility allows us to hold the cost to \$20 per person.

Results of the election of club officers are as follows:

Frank Holman - nominated for President; elected by acclaim

Ed Taschner - nominated for Treasurer; elected by acclaim

Diane Rencenberger - nominated for Secretary; elected by acclaim

There was NO candidate nominated for Vice President. A primary function of the Vice President is to secure speakers for the meeting. Therefore ALL MEMBERS are asked to please suggest speakers and assist with arrangements for the speaker participation.

Our featured speaker was **Rob Gillette**, President, Honeywell Aerospace. Honeywell financial results for '07 vs. '06 showed:

- Sales + 10%
- Profit +14%
- EPS + 25%
- Cash Flow +27%

Aerospace had a terrific year in terms of win ratio (proposals won as % of proposals bid)

- Air Transport 82%
- Business and General Aviation 86%
- Military and Space 96%

Biggest wins include the Airbus A350 and the Gulfstream G650.

Honeywell stock has had a very good year. Rob's recommendation - hold onto the stock.

50/50 winners were **Jack Lawrence** and **Bob Hess**.

The **Spring Roundup** was again held at the Rock Springs Café on April 8. 162 friends and family attended. The food was great. 50/50 winners were **Ed Gammill, Larry Casteel, John Lester, Ray Gentry, Marlene Bushell, Dick Turnage, Juanita**



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Barreras, Carol Standley and Bob Bailey. Check the website for photos.

This month's charity donations were given to **STARS** and **Hospice of the Valley**. A list of the charities from which the board chooses for our 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** can make you a new one for a \$2.00 charge.

We need volunteers to call members to remind them of

our meetings. Please contact Diane if you can help out.

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 members to and from the meetings. If you are willing to help, please contact **Al**.

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. We have a social hour beginning 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 you may have 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 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 announced that he had received from Ed Parrish, who now lives in LA JOLLA, CA., "HISTORICAL STUFF" containing several good photos of the TPE331-14 and the TPF-351-20 Team. Most of the personnel in the photos were identified! The TPF351-20 was a pusher version of the TPE.

Scott Brandenburg, Vice President, Boeing Commercial Airplanes Business, Thales Aerospace - US, is seeking engineers experienced with avionics systems integration, cockpit displays and instrument panel integration. Experience as a systems provider or airframer is equally valuable. We are especially interested in experience with business aircraft, regional airliners and/or helicopters. The work package involves integrating FMS, IAM, radar, satcom, NAV/COM systems and their associated controls and displays.

The current work is a 6- to 8-week project beginning in mid-April, but anticipate it



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will expand to three to six months later this year. We are not looking for people to slog it out writing a proposal, but rather to review our own work and concepts, stimulate thinking among our own core team, and challenge them with new ideas.

We can be flexible regarding work location and timing although the mid-April through June 1 timeframe is likely require quite a bit of their time. Later in the year, the work might require travel to France and the UK for 1-2 weeks at a time.

If interested, contact Scott at scott.brandenburg@us.thalesgroup.com

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

NEWS YOU CAN USE

ARE YOU APPROACHING AGE 70 ½? DO YOU HAVE A SECURED BENEFIT ACCOUNT? If so, you need to contact Honeywell to determine your options for the distribution of these funds. Remember, the Secured Benefit Account is 'qualified' mon-

ey (i.e. you never paid taxes on that money) and the law requires distribution from qualified accounts upon reaching age 70 ½.

Ed Gammill has written a series of short stories about his personal experiences on various programs. The entire volume is posted on the website.

We take a special note of the passing of **Richard Walters**. He worked as an engineer for AlliedSignal for 23 years, after graduating with honors in Mechanical Engineering at Purdue, receiving a Masters in Teaching from Ball State, and serving in the Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict.

After being forced into early retirement, Richard dropped out of the mainstream and spent most of his time on the streets. Unknown to all, Richard was a multi-millionaire at the time of his death, Aug 19, 2007, at age 76. His entire fortune was left to a variety of global charities, including a gift estimated in excess of \$400,000 to Mission of Mercy.

The **Oak Street Gleaners** are looking for a few more volunteers. They perform their service activity on the last **Thursday** of every month.

Contact **Al Stimac** 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 bud-dies! Call them! Phoenix 602-231-7920, Tempe 480-592-1389. **Wellness Center** info is also posted on our website.

The **Honeywell Volunteer Worksheet** is available on our website.

2008 Activity Calendar Honeywell Retirees of Arizona (Honeywell North):

- Check out the hikers schedule

More info at WWW.HRCAZ.ORG

Other Stuff

ROMANCE
MATHEMATICS

Smart man + smart woman = romance

Smart man + dumb woman = affair

Dumb man + smart woman = marriage

Dumb man + dumb woman = pregnancy

OFFICE ARITHMETIC



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Smart boss + smart employee
= profit

Smart boss + dumb employee
= production

Dumb boss + smart employee
= promotion

Dumb boss + dumb employee
= overtime

SHOPPING MATH

A man will pay \$20 for a \$10
item he needs.

A woman will pay \$10 for a
\$20 item that she doesn't need.

Tech Support

Customer: 'I've been ringing
0800 2100 for two days and
can't get through to enquiries,
can you help?'

Operator: 'Where did you get
that number from, sir?'

Customer: 'It was on the door
to the Travel Centre'.

Operator: 'Sir, they are our
opening hours'.

Caller: 'Can you give me the
telephone number for Jack?'

Operator: 'I'm sorry, sir, I
don't understand who you are
talking about'.

Caller: 'On page 1, section 5,
of the user guide it clearly
states that I need to unplug the
fax machine from the AC wall
socket and telephone Jack be-

fore cleaning. Now, can you
give me the number for Jack?'

Operator: 'I think you mean
the telephone point on the
wall'.

Tech Support: 'I need you to
right-click on the Open Desk-
top'.

Customer: 'OK'.

Tech Support: 'Did you get a
pop-up menu?'

Customer: 'No'.

Tech Support: 'OK. Right-
Click again. Do you see a pop-
up menu?'

Customer: 'No'.

Tech Support: 'OK, sir. Can
you tell me what you have
done up until this point?'

Customer: 'Sure. You told me
to write 'click' and I wrote
'click'.

Tech Support: 'OK. In the
bottom left hand side of the
screen, can you see the 'OK'
button displayed?'

Customer: 'Wow. How can
you see my screen from
there?'

Caller: 'I deleted a file from
my PC last week and I have
just realized that I need it. If I
turn my system clock back
two weeks will I have my file
back again?'

The other day my husband
bought me a mood ring. When
I'm in a good mood it turns
green. When I'm in a bad
mood, it leaves a red mark on
his forehead.

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

**GLEN ARNER
MARLEISE BROWN
BEVERLY COHEN
WILLIE DAVIS
FRANK DENNIS
BERNARD FABRITZ
GERARD GLEICH
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