



# RETIREE'S CLUB OF ARIZONA NEWSLETTER



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### Upcoming Events

- Nov 7 - Meeting - Gary Fields - Digital Photography
- Dec 10 - Holiday Luncheon - Elk's Lodge #2148
- Jan 2 - Meeting

George Davis, President, welcomed members and guests to the meeting on Oct. 3, 2007. Ken Blakely led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Early next year we will be looking for candidates for offices listed at the left. Please think about the opportunity and consider serving your fellow club members.

The Club issues new membership rosters each year. We would like to remind you to properly destroy (shred) old rosters. This information is provided for the sole use of our members so that they 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.

**Please remember to pay your dues, either in person at the meeting or by using the mail-in card. Thanks.**

**The Nov 7 meeting is your last chance to get tickets for the Holiday Luncheon. Don't miss out.**

Diane Bennett announced that this year's trip will be in early May 2008, and will be river cruise up the Rhine (upstream but in a south direction) from Holland to Austria. There are only 5 cabins available so make your reservations early.

Our featured speaker was **Tim Mahoney**. Tim is now VP of Engineering and CTO (Chief Technology Officer) for Honeywell Aerospace. Company news includes estimates that for Aerospace, '07 will exceed '06 by 13% Sales, 27% Profit and 2% Margin. By product area, '07 estimates of sales are:

- Air Transport & Regional - \$4.6B
- Business & General Aviation - \$2.5B
- Defense & Space - \$5.0B

A lively Q&A session followed the presentation.

November's meeting will include a Digital Camera Clinic. Gary Fields and a few others, pros and serious amateurs, will talk about digital photography



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and answer ques-tions. The meeting will split into a clinic with each expert heading a group and answer-ring both general and specific questions about cameras and problems. If you want help with your individual camera, please bring your camera and your camera manual.

50/50 winners were **Jerry Nelson** and **Glenna Roberts**.

This month's charity dona-tions were given to **Joe Foss Institute** and the **Desert Botanical Garden**.

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

Is anyone interested in setting up a **Golf Tournament**? Honeywell North does this event and we post their info when available. Anyone want to set up our own? Contact George if you are interested.

We are looking for **volun-teers** to bring some of our non-driving West Side mem-bers to and from the meet-ings. 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 Mc-Dowell). 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**, the presentation starts at **2:00 pm** and ad-journment 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](mailto:s.mitnik@worldnet.att.net) with your need and contact information.

AiResearch/Garrett Historical Information - Ed Gammill, Historian, thanks **Jack Davis**, **Al Stimac**, **Lorna Lee Ors-burn** and **Charlotte Domme** for their contributions to the History. Ed's contact info is on page 1.

**Pete Beschenbossel** indicated he is available to assist those who live along his route from Cave Creek to the Senior Center with car rides. Contact Pete direct at 480-595-5158.

The Club periodically receives information about employ-ment opportunities that may be of interest to our members. We will be posting these on the website and will put no-

tices in the newsletter 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 in-quire about the **HRC Schol-arship Program**. Each of the three state universities have information on their web sites about their application pro-cess. An award of \$1000.00 is available at each university annually. Check with the college scholarship office for application dead-lines (nor-mally in March). The require-ments 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, grand-children, great-grandchildren, etc. of the retiree. On all appli-cations the submitter must in-clude 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, jun-ior, or senior year are eligible.

3. Students applying must have evidence of **cumulative**



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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.

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

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### Safety Tip

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator.

Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies. It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house.

It works if you park in your driveway or garage. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break in your house, odds are the burglar or rapist won't stick around...after a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that. And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there.....

This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

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The **Garrett Corporation**, some time ago, established a

\$5,000 death benefit/Life Insurance for each of its employees. The intent was to make it easier for the family to pay burial costs.

It is still in effect today but it includes an option which you might find attractive: **\$4,500 of the \$5,000 may be used to pay for Medical Expenses.** The balance of \$500, or whatever is left, will be paid at time of the employee death.

Honeywell Retirees Benefits Service Center (1-800-526-0744) final word was that: **The eligibility criteria for the "4500 plan" is "retired prior to January 1, 1995,"** (date when the Plan was amended).

If you qualify against this criteria & want to claim the \$4,500 medical reimbursement, you need to call CIGNA (Phoenix Office) who administers the "4500 Plan". If the CIGNA person you talk to does not know about the above eligibility criteria, ask for the Honeywell Retirees Benefit Center to be put on the line (phone # above).

**The "\$5,000 Death Benefit Plan" is still in full force** even if you retired on 1/1/95 or later. You may want to call the above number to make sure that they have your



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beneficiary on record. (\*0 to speak to a representative)

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The **Oak Street Gleaners** are looking for a few more volunteers. They perform their service activity on the last Friday (day change) of every month. Contact **Al Stimac** for more info.

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**R.J. Pfammatter** was the featured artist at a Reception on Oct. 20 at the Sage Fine Art Gallery in Taos N.M.

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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.

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The **Honeywell Volunteer Worksheet** is available on our website. We have corrected the website info. If you sent in the form this year and it did not have a Palo Verde address, please down-load a new copy of the form and resubmit.

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**2007 Activity Calendar  
Honeywell Retirees of  
Arizona (Honeywell North):**

- Nov 26 Fall Golf Outing  
(See last page)

- Dec TBD KAET Telethon
- Dec 7 Christmas Dinner and Dance

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

### **Other Stuff**

You Might Be A Redneck If:

You've ever had Thanksgiving dinner on a Ping-Pong table.

Thanksgiving dinner is squirrel and dumplings.

You've ever re-used a paper plate.

If you have a complete set of salad bowls and they all say Cool Whip on the side.

If you've ever used your ironing board as a buffet table.

On Thanksgiving Day you have to decide which pet to eat.

Your turkey platter is an old hub cap.

Your best dishes have Dixie printed on them.

Your stuffing's secret ingredient comes from the bait shop.

Your only condiment on the dining room table is ketchup.

Side dishes include beef jerky and Moon Pies.

You have to go outside to get something out of the 'fridge.

The directions to your house include "turn off the paved road".

You consider pork and beans to be a gourmet food.

You have an Elvis Jell-o mold.

Your secret family recipe is illegal.

You serve Vienna Sausage as an appetizer.

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

RUTH BRUMHALL

FRED FERRAZZANO

AL FLOSS

KENNETH FRENCH

DOROTHY JOHNSTON

O. MARSHALL

FRANK ONDREY

JOSEPH RICHARDSON

ANTHONY SALADO

BOBBI SMITH

MARY TODD

CARL WARFEL

GLADYS WILSON

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

Why is "abbreviated" such a long word?