

Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club Newsletter

Cliff Notes

Club website: https://www.garrettretireesaz.com

Cliff Garrett - Founder

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The Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club (HGRC) is a 501(c)(3) organization. All dues and contributions are tax deductible.

President's Report – Dolf Strom – dolfstrom@cox.net – 480-430-8673



During our May meeting Club membership in attendance voted to approve the Club's Bylaws revision. Thank you, Jim Brink, for leading the revision.

Our May meeting topic was St Mary's Food Bank presented by Barb Novicki,

John van Hengel founded St. Mary's Food Bank in 1967. He had been volunteering at a local soup kitchen, serving dinner to those in need when a young mother told him that she depended on soup kitchens and food from grocery store dumpsters to feed her

children. His conversation with the young woman created a desire to help hungry families like hers, so he came up with the idea of a "Food Bank" where individuals and companies with excess food could "deposit" it, and those in need could "withdraw" it. His local parish, St. Mary's Basilica in downtown Phoenix, gave him \$3,000 and an abandoned building where he was able to create his food bank and named it "St. Mary's", however it has no church affiliation. John van Hengel is referred to as "the father of food banking". Today, St. Mary's Food Bank is one of the largest food banks in the United States, distributing over 100 hundred million pounds of food in a year. All of us can donate \$400 to \$800 a year from your Arizona income tax. Learn more about and how to volunteer at StMarysFoodBank.org. Thank you Al Stimac for organizing this presentation. We had 25 attendees.

In a few months, we will be emailing a survey requesting members to provide information on how the Club can be improved to increase attendance at our meetings. The survey is called SurveyMonkey and is being organized by Chuck Jonkosky. Please provide your input.

In September we will be paper mailing the annual Dues Notice letter. Dues will remain at \$15. The notice will indicate if you have any delinquent dues, has a box to donate to our Scholarship Fund, and a place to update your contact information.

Our next meeting is October 4, 2023. Enjoy the summer, stay healthy and see you in October.

Vice-President's Report – Vacant position, volunteer needed. – report from Dolf Strom

No meetings for June, July, August, and September.

October 4, Steve Hoza will talk on the whole history of the German POWs in Arizona including the escape from Papago Park.

November 1, Matt Greenman, manager of the HTF7000 engine family.

The January 2024 meeting will be the state of Honeywell Aerospace by Mike Madsen.

A future presentation will be the recycling program for City of Mesa.by John Zielonka.

Secretary's Report – Mark Steele – mrdsteele @aol.com – 602-541-5360



Bylaws Meeting Minutes - A working meeting to finalize changes to the Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club (HGRC) Bylaws was held on April 20, 2023, at 11:00 AM, at the home of Dolf Strom. Those in attendance were: Jim Brink, Frank Holman, Chuck Jonkosky, Mark Steele, and Dolf Strom. A draft of the Bylaws with revisions was brought by Jim Brink and all the proposed revisions were reviewed. Suggested changes to the revisions were reviewed, discussed and compiled. Jim agreed to incorporate the agreed upon changes into the Bylaws and get a copy to Dolf for publication to the Club prior to the May 3rd Club meeting. The revised Bylaws will be voted on at that

meeting. Work was finished at 12:15 PM.

HGRC Board Meeting Minutes - President Dolf Strom called the Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club (HGRC) Board meeting to order at 11:06 AM on Wednesday May 3. Those in attendance were: Diane Bennett, Jim Brink, Bob Davenport, Frank Holman, Chuck Jonkosky Diane Rencenberger, Mark Steele, and Dolf Strom, which thus constitutes a quorum in accordance with our by-laws requirements. The meeting was held at the Gecko Grill on McDowell Rd.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved. The report will be published in the May newsletter. Based on current finances, Jim recommended that the Club dues for next year be set at \$15. Jim moved to set the dues at \$15, Diane seconded and the motion passed.

The Board decided to set the Scholarship Fund cutoff date to April 1st, based on the check date. Funds received and checks dated after April 1st will go into next year's Scholarship Fund.

The picnic funding was discussed but no decision made as to funding for next year's April picnic.

Dolf reported that he had electronically filed IRS Form 990-N which required of 501 (c) (3) organizations. It is good for a year. The Arizona Corporation annual report will be due in the next few months.

Chuck discussed the Scholarship applications. There are 11 qualified applicants and awards are pending receipt of official transcripts.

The dues notice form was reviewed. Jim moved to accept the form, Diane seconded and the motion passed.

The idea of conducting a survey of the membership to ascertain what members want concerning the Club was discussed. The Board agreed to do a survey and Chuck offered to conduct it.

Diane reported she is retiring from the Events Coordinator position and that her daughter has offered to take over. The Board agreed to that arrangement. Diane also reported that she is having difficulty finding a location for the Christmas luncheon. The Stockyards restaurant was suggested and she is going to check it out.

Mark moved to adjourn the meeting and Dolf seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 PM.

Treasurer's Report – Jim Brink – azstbbjb@gmail.com – 602-510-6064



Once again, please note my new email address.

At the May 3, HGRC Board meeting, it was decided that April 1 will be the cutoff date for scholarship fund contributions for the current year and any donations made after that date will be applied to the following year.

Scholarship awards will most likely be sent in June once all official transcripts are received from the qualified applicants.

In appreciation of the May member meeting presentation by St Mary's Foodbank, a donation of \$100 was made to their organization. That totals \$400 in various donations this year. The suggested total for the year is \$800, so additional contributions will be made.

CLUB account

| Beginning balance on March 31 | \$19,717.83 |
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| April Income | \$817.00 |
| April Expenses | \$67.10 |
| Ending balance on April 30 (includes scholarship funds) | \$20,467.73 |
| Scholarship Fund – June 2022 through April 1, 2023 | |
| Member contributions | \$9920.88 |
| Honeywell Aerospace contribution | \$8000.00 |
| Total funds available to students for 2023 | \$17,920.88 |
| Total funds available to students for 2024 | \$110.00 |
| Spring Picnic Finances | |
| Expenses | \$1,118.07 |
| Income | \$566.98 |
| Net Loss | \$551.09 |

Membership Report – Diane Bennett – azbennett3@cox.net – 480-994-5243



For the month of April, the new members are Jim Morrison and Rich Kucher.

Events Report - Cathy Bennett - catherintb033@outlook,com - 480-278-2488



Good news, bad news!

Bad news first: At the May Board meeting Diane Bennett announced she was retiring from handling the Events Directorship. The Good News – Diane stated that her daughter Cathy has volunteered to take over those responsibilities.

And, in accordance with the Club bylaws, "5.1 The CLUB Board shall ...Also included on the CLUB Board are various Directors appointed by the elected officers based on

Club need." It was a unanimous decision to appoint Cathy for this role.

Cathy is not a newcomer to HGRC as she has for years assisted her mother with the Club events.

So here is her first official report for the newsletter.

I am waiting for a proposal at the Millenium (Scottsdale) for the annual Christmas Charity Luncheon. I don't have anything solid right now.

Also, I'm waiting for price info at the hotel in Sierra Vista for the wine tasting trip. I'll have something solid for next month's newsletter.

Outreach Report – Diane Rencenberger – jannaeren @outlook.com – 480-775-8116



At the Member meeting on May 3, the 50-50 winners were Bill Randall and Frank Holman each winning \$7.

Scholarship Report - Chuck Jonkosky - cjonkosky @gmail.com - 602-722-2571



The scholarship application date closed April 1, 2023, any applications received after April 1 will not be considered for 2023 scholarship awards.

There are 11 qualified applicants and awards are pending receipt of official transcripts and the 3.0 GPA minimum has been verified.

Reminder emails will be sent to the 11 applicants requesting their Official Transcript. NOTE - Unofficial transcripts are not sufficient for scholarship awards.

Further information on the HGRC Scholarship program can be found on our website shown in the header of this newsletter.

Webmaster Report – *Dolf Strom* – *dolfstrom* @cox.net – 480-430-8673 Nothing to report this month.

At Large Report - Dave Oman -928-256-8466 - agoodoman@gmail.com



The HGRC Facebook page is: https://www.facebook.com/groups/916026582934338/ I've started posting old photos on Facebook for "throw-back Thursday". I encourage folks to send me old photos from Honeywell programs they worked on back in the day and I'll post on the Facebook site



Bob Davenport - wrd63@cox.net - 480-560-6273

Nothing to report this month.

In Memoriam - Compiled by Al Stimac - stimac@cox.net

Greving, Dan Hinkle, Larry Macias, David Milligan, Bernard Weldon Osborn, Robert Leonard Pedotto, Vince



David Macias, 69, passed from this life Sunday April 16th, 2023. David was born in Phoenix, Arizona on June 15th, 1953, to Rudy V. Macias and Bertha T. Macias, and was the second of four sons, Rudy Jr., David, Robert, Ruben, and two daughters, Laura, and Diane. David is survived by his spouse Patricia Macias, sons Anthony, Alexis, Andrew, and stepchildren, Jesse, Jason, Jessica, and Andrew Abril, as well as his many grandchildren and great grandchildren. David attended St. Matthew's Elementary and St. Mary's High School where he learned to play the sports he loved, football,

basketball as a point guard and baseball as a pitcher. (He had an unstoppable jump shot). After high school, David joined the United States Army and was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany. Upon completion of his enlistment, he became a sheet metal worker, and later worked for Honeywell as a technician until his retirement in 2020. David is well known for his sense of humor, warmth, generosity, and compassion. His love for music provided the background for his life. He nurtured lifelong friendships and loved those around him deeply. The world is a much better place because of David Macias. Celebration of Life: Monday April 24th at the American Legion Post #41—Phoenix 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Military Funeral Service: Date and time yet to be determined. Posted online on April 21, 2023 - Published in The Arizona Republic.



Bernard Weldon Milligan, age 93, after living most of his life in Cave Creek, Arizona, passed away on Monday, April 10, 2023. Bernard, aka "Bernie" and "Duke", was born the youngest of 12 children to Levi "Lee" Milligan and Sarah Elizabeth Byrd Milligan, and was raised in Conway, Arkansas. He grew up quickly, joining the U.S. Army Air Forces at the young age of 16, he traveled the world and then found beautiful Mary, whom he married. Together, they traveled even more, had six children, and finally settled in Cave Creek, Arizona. Bernie retired from the military in 1967; then retired

from Honeywell in 1989. Bernie and Mary were married for over 68 years. He loved trail riding throughout Arizona on his horses along with his burro/pack mule; he enjoyed Cave Creek well water and he relished the peace & quiet he found in the beautiful desert. Bernie was strong to the end; he taught his children to fight for freedom and to stand up for what you believe in. Bernie is survived by his wife, Mary; son, Patrick; daughter, Kathleen; son, Timothy; daughter, Sharon; daughter, Shelley; and daughter, Maureen; as well as 19 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. Services will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, from 11:00am to 12:00pm at Our Lady of Joy Catholic Church, then on to his final resting place at the National Memorial Cemetery. Posted online on April 21, 2023. Published in The Arizona Republic.



Robert Leonard Osborn, Jr. went to be with the Lord on April 3, 2023. He was born on September 20th, 1932 and preceded in death by his loving wife of 65 years, Vivian Clydine Osborn (Newby), parents Robert Leonard Osborn, Ruby Lee Osborn (Martin), and sister Kathryn Austin (Shelby). He is survived by his daughters, Rochelle Lynn Mohamed (Mark) and Robyn Lee Osborn-Walker (Guerry Duncan) and

Granddaughters Megan Smith (Bradley), Elisheva Mohamed, Dr. Lauren Mohamed DNP, Dr. Rachel Walker DO, Camille Walker, Elizabeth Walker and great grandsons Gabriel Alvarez, Kaiden Smith, Wyatt Smith and Apollo Smith. Robert enlisted in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and was active duty for 4 years serving as a Duplicating Machine Operator from April 2, 1952 to April 1, 1956, additionally earning his GED in February of 1956. After discharge he joined the National Guard serving an additional 4 years and honorably discharged as Staff Sergeant. He worked at Luke Air force Base for 23 years retiring from Federal Service in March of 1976 before accepting a position at Honeywell from which he permanently retired. Robert and Vivian were both baptized at St. Bartholomews Episcopal Church in Poway, California on June 23rd, 2002 with granddaughters Rachel, Camille and Elizabeth. Robert led an active and colorful life. In his early years with his close childhood friend, Donald Marshall, hunted, fished, flew airplanes and raced boats. Donald recalls a shocking time when Robert began spending an unusual amount of time at a roller skating rink before learning he had met Vivian. Robert was 16 years old and Vivian was 14 years old. They married four years later. This, however, did not interfere with Roberts love for the outdoors, being active and competition. Robert earned his Commercial and Instrumental Pilot License in March of 1958. He enjoyed flying and racing boats when he was young, winning an Arizona State Championship boat race after gutting his boat, seats and all, to reduce weight. In addition to flying and racing boats, Robert actively hunted deer, elk, javelina, rabbit, frogs, and many species of birds in addition to fresh and saltwater fishing. Robert was awarded \$70 (\$600+ in todays equivalent) by the Arizona Live Stock Sanitary Board for taking a mountain lion on September 2nd, 1967. This mountain lion became a rug that was the center of his family room for many years. Robert travelled with purpose to hunt all six species of North American Quail and had a male/female pair of each mounted with their corresponding ecosystem. He even had a good run with his beekeeping hobby, keeping hives in orange groves and in the desert under mesquite trees for flavor. He also kept two hives in the backyard. As part of his bird hunting, Robert had two German Shorthaired Pointers that became part of the family. Cholla and Trina were from champion lines and not only his favorite hunting dogs, they won many Championship Awards in their own right. Cholla and Trina bore many litters of puppies that were highly sought after in the hunting and competing communities. Robert became a member of the German Shorthair Kennel Club and was often asked to Judge Field Trial competitions after he was no longer competing with Cholla and Trina. Most important, Robert loved his family. He never failed to maintain the family tradition of the summer trip to San Diego, which extended for years with Vivian, his mother, Rochelle and Robyn and occasionally their friends to years with his granddaughters and his great grandson Gabe. After his girls left home, Robert showed his love for Vivian as they traveled the world on cruise after cruise. Knowing that this rugged hunting man hung up his waders and shotguns for a tuxedo to wine and dine the love of his life while cruising the world warms our hearts. Robert Leonard Osborn, Jr. will be buried at the Arizona National Military Cemetery on April 28th, 2023 at 0900. Please sign the guestbook at www.legacy.com/obituaries/yumasun. Posted online on April 21, 2023 - Published in The Arizona Republic.



Vincent Anthony Pedotto Jr. - November 30, 1942 - April 17, 2023, completed his final bike ride on Monday, April 17, 2023, at the age of 80. Born on Nov. 30, 1942, Vince grew up on a farm in Welby, Colorado north of Denver and studied engineering at the University of Colorado Boulder. Vince was a gentleman with a dry sense of humor, who enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and was particularly proud of his grandchildren. Vince was efficient with his words while always enjoying good

company. 'That dog won't hunt,' 'You can't swim out of your gene pool,' 'Don't piss off your mother,' and 'I'm doing so good I can hardly stand it,' were some of his favorite phrases that summed up his feelings in the moment. Vince and his first wife Betty and their three children moved to Arizona in 1974 when he took a role with Air Research, which later became Garrett then Honeywell. Vince had a long career in

aerospace engineering and was highly regarded for his technical expertise. In 2012, Vince married his second wife Roseann Wagner, who he met while cycling. Vince was an avid cyclist, hiker, and traveler who enjoyed exploring Arizona, other parts of the United States, and overseas with his family and friends. He is survived by Roseann, his children Tessa Lamb (David), Tony Pedotto (Alexandra), and Amy Pedotto (Troy Walker), stepdaughter Vikki Challoner (Steve Challoner), grandchildren Brendan, Collin, Garrett, Dominic, Sophia, Zoe and Dimitri, and step-granddaughters Stephanie and Jenna, his sister Gloria and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by Betty, his wife of 40 years, his parents, and many other family members and friends with whom he is now enjoying a beer and glass of red wine. Services will be held for Vince on Saturday, May 6, at the Church of the Holy Spirit, 1800 E. Libra Drive, Tempe. Services will begin with a Rosary and visitation at 10:30 am followed by a funeral mass at 11 am. Gifts in Vince's honor can be made to Hospice of the Valley.

Bylaws – *by Gollie*

The Club By-Laws are posted on the Club website and are often forgotten. An occasional reminder of that command media might be helpful.

4.2 Annually, CLUB members shall receive notice of dues, both current and past due. Payment shall be sent by the due date as directed by the notice. Allowances will be made for such things as possible change of address, but membership shall be terminated after a two year period of nonpayment.

7.3.11 The Membership Director shall arrange for the distribution of electronic mail to the appropriate Board members as directed by those officers or directors.

Other Honeywell Retiree Clubs

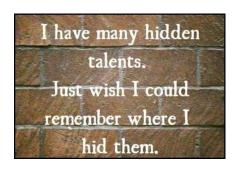
There two Phoenix area Honeywell retiree clubs. HGRC members are invited to participate in events sponsored by these clubs.

Aero Activities Club (AAC) - AAC holds monthly events. Their website is AeroActivitiesClub.com and it allows for sign-up of events, pay online, and access to their newsletters.

Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC) – The HRSC website is hrcaz.org.

Rim Country Garrett Retirees - disbanded in March 2023 due to low attendance.

Dillies from Diane - Diane Bennett







"The important thing to remember is that I'm probably going to forget." - Unknown

"It's paradoxical that the idea of living a long life appeals to everyone, but the idea of getting old doesn't appeal to anyone." - Andy Rooney

"The older I get, the better I used to be." - Lee Trevino.

"I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a lot more as they get older, and then it dawned on me — they're cramming for their final exam." - George Carlin.

"Grandchildren don't make a man feel old, it's the knowledge that he's married to a grandmother that does." - J. Norman Collie.

"To get back to my youth I would do anything in the world, except exercise, get up early, or be respectable." - Oscar Wilde

"The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for." - Will Rogers.

"I'm so old that my blood type is discontinued." - Bill Dana.

"Old people shouldn't eat healthy foods. They need all the preservatives they can get."- Robert Orben.

Wife: You pick dinner.
Me: Pizza
Wife: No
Me: Tacos
Wife: No
Me: Subs
Wife: No
Me: What do you want?
Wife: It's up to you!

A police officer came to my house and asked me where I was between 5 & 6. He seemed irritated when I answered: "Kindergarten"



Remember when people had diaries and got mad when someone read them? Now they put everything online and get mad when people don't.





Of General Interest



16 May 2023 Up Close

EDUCATION

Mesa Public Schools Transforms Learning THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

By Laurie Struna

esa Public Schools is partnering with industry and community partners to enhance and strengthen the connection between industry and classroom experiences.

Most children understand that when they grow up, they can be a doctor, a teacher, or even a firefighter. But when industry professionals step into classrooms, a student's entire world opens to limitless possibilities and career paths.



Renee Parker, director of community partnerships at Mesa Public Schools, shares that students enjoy connecting with individuals who have industry expertise and knowledge.

"Our industry partners like Honeywell and Intel become true community educators, by delivering content, sparking excitement, making learning more meaningful, and providing real-world experiences. They make it easier for students to understand a subject's relevance in the world," Renee shares. "And it truly is activating our community to inspire our students to do better, be better, and do more."

One exciting partnership with Intel illustrates the connection between industry, school, and the future workforce. The multinational corporation hosted a contest to create a flashlight holder prototype. Students were charged with solving a real problem by using their learning experiences to create the model. Brandon King is a sophomore at Red Mountain High School who received top honors for his design which is now being used on Intel's engineering floor and featured in their employee catalog. Brandon and many other classmates are on Intel's radar so they can provide mentoring and support to other students.

BUILDING A PIPELINE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Mesa is joining forces with the City of Mesa and its Community Collaboration Challenge to get more community stakeholders involved in determining best practices for students. They are using platforms like Community Share and AARP Foundation Experience Corps to connect educators with volunteers who want to help make a difference in Mesa schools.

On a national level, Mesa is working with the U.S. Department of Education, AmeriCorps, and the Johns Hopkins Everyone Graduates Center through the National Partnership for Student Success (NPSS). The



Honeywell supports students STEM education to strengthen classroom experiences.

goal is to implement support that includes high-impact tutoring, mentoring, and programs that boost pandemic learning and recovery efforts. The NPSS is a nationwide three-year effort that brings together experienced organizations to recruit, screen, train, support, and engage caring adults who will work in close coordination with educators serving in roles such as tutors, mentors, and student success coaches.

Renee shares that it is inspiring to see the community come together to support education. The district has volunteer opportunities from grandparents who read to children at their local school to industry partners who enhance the learning experience in the classroom.

"We can tailor an experience based on interests,"
Renee says. "We have volunteer opportunities that might
include a regular weekly occurrence, a semester-long
project, or even a singular event."

For more information regarding volunteer and community partnership opportunities, please visit mpsaz.org/volunteer.