

Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club Minutes

Tuesday, January 6, 2026, 1:00 pm

Sherry (Maxson) Myers, Secretary

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In attendance: Kirk Anderson, Barbara Brockett, Joyce Colella, Kathy Heinzeroth, Ray Heinzeroth, Keith Hughes, Christine Lindley, Doug Metzger, Sherry Myers, Don Nicholas, Kevin Vetter, Judy Wilger

Absent: Larry Bowe, Kevin Harris

1. Welcome – Keith

2. Review of minutes, key action overview – Keith

Reviewed action items. All action items are either done or will be covered in this meeting.
Minutes approved.

3. Treasurer's Report – Doug

- Nothing outstanding. Wrote a check to Joyce; have a pre-payment to Verde Canyon Railroad; a lot of income and outgo for the Sun City Country Club. Everything looks good.
- Reviewed the monthly totals (HRAC Income and Expense by Activity).
- Christmas lunch projecting a gain of \$125; last year it was a loss. This year we charged full price; last year we charged less. Fifty-seven reservations this year, about 63 last year. The count has been going down.

4. Membership headcount – Barbara B reviewed her report which covers prior month's payments, additions, deletions, etc.

- We went up from 550 to 554 in membership; some renewals and extensions, no removals. Some of this could be from engagement Joyce had at the Bell Road reunion, so we should promote the club at any chance we get to engage with retirees. Some members still need to pay their dues, Barbara will follow up with them.
- Barbara has links in her report to her One Drive to see if they will work for us to see her reports. Some members have tried them with mixed results. She'll follow up. Need to have a meeting, where do we go from here, how much more testing needed on this. She'll keep posting the rosters.
- Barbara showed her remaining reports: graphical representation of those who owe dues, tabular view where we are on membership, down to 554 from 561 but peak was higher. Slow month for dues. Membership updates, those who have joined and renewed.

5. Future events

- a. ABT – Kevin V. 13 signed up, 32 seats are reserved.
- b. Verde Canyon Railroad – Kirk. 7 signed up (11 or 12 when Doug and Don sign up), six are from the Singles over 60 group; 26 seats available. Need to get to 20 to get the discount. Put in Navigator "half full." Lunch option is mentioned in the article. Kirk has payments so far and will deposit into the club savings account.
- c. Recycle tour – Kirk. 20 people signed up.
- d. Arizona Copper Museum – Don. Scheduled for the day before VCRR. \$10 charge per person for the docent. Write-up is ready for next Navigator.
- e. Sanderson Museum – Keith. 14 signed up, smallest group so far.
- f. Tovrea Castle – Keith. Sold out. Doug has all the money for the event.
- g. Palo Verde Nuclear Reactor tour – Keith. 16 on first day, 12 on second day (28 out of a total of 40); still have some room for more.
- h. Manistee Ranch – Barbara. 3 signed up. Barbara's bunco group may attend, she'll talk with them on Monday.

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- i. Hale Theatre (in Gilbert) – Barbara. 11 signed up out of 20 total. Barbara is asking people for payment now. If they want to use Zelle, they can contact Barb directly. Barbara will keep track of names and amounts and send the information to Doug.
- j. Christmas Lunch – Joyce. The date has been moved up - further from Christmas, closer to beginning of the month. Joyce will check with Bel Air for this year.
- k. MIM – Christine. Looking at May 18, 11 am, one-hour tour, will be in the February Navigator. Pay at site, no pay in advance. Open to non-members. Attendees can have lunch at the museum after the tour.
- l. Spring Picnic – Ray, Kathy. Nothing to add. Keith will book three sites on April 23, from 9 am to 5 pm reserved. Arrive 9:30 - 10 am for 11 am start, serve food at 11:30. Cost is \$480 + \$10 beer permit. Keith will look into getting a second or third speaker if he can make it work. Put it in next three Navigators (February, March and April). Use last year's Navigator for wording, change date, ask for RSVP. When advertise, we'll say it's a free event but donations are welcome. Ray will use last year's write-up and wordsmith it, run it by the group. Joyce will send Ray the Word version.
- m. Need Next year Winter/Spring events – All. Old Aero club used to have a lunch, a kick-off meeting, in September, maybe resurrect this. This is for membership in general, not just Board members. Dillon's on 59th and the 101 (NEC) was suggested as it has a back room that holds 40-50 people, no charge for the room. Could meet, each person pay their own. Just an idea for a kick-off meeting.

More ideas:

- Octoberfest was suggested. Joyce will investigate the Everly or maybe Edelweiss restaurant.
- A bowling night or day? Barbara will research this. Barb will check with Larry to find out what he learned when he coordinated such an event.
- All, think about new ideas.

6. November Navigator Review – Joyce

Page 1 – Verde Canyon Railroad –add that it's half full.

Page 3 – Keith asked in his President's message if anyone is a member of Rio Vista to contact him; if no one is, he'll go ahead and book it at full price.

Page 15 – Recurring Lunches – Kevin V. asked Deer Valley Product Support people to add their lunch but he needs to follow up with the organizer, Paul Gibson. Keith will send Kevin his email address.

Page 15 – Bull Old Timers Lunch, replace Thursday September 18th with "see table below."

Page 16 – In Memoriam – Kirk sent two names to Joyce, she'll add them.

Joyce will put some club business cards at the bank. Kirk will put some at the CU on Airport Drive.

7. New business

- New survey – Don and Kirk. Survey is going out right now to all membership so he'll get up to 504 responses. Goes out a batch at a time. If Don gets response that indicates that person will attend a certain event, he'll follow up with that event coordinator to confirm they're signed up.
- Document storage. Barbara, Kevin and Kirk will delve more into this. Kathy said if we get the non profit version of Office 365 for the club, it comes with SharePoint (a good tool for sharing documents; can have about 25 users) and she volunteered to be in charge of it, so she and Ray will join the team. Doug will provide all the tax information so this team can investigate options. 501C7 is what we are (a social club).

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- Location/format of 2026 board meetings. Ray hasn't looked into options beyond the library. Don suggested the North Mountain visitors center located at 7th Street north of Thunderbird. His wife will investigate. In the meantime, the next meeting will be on Zoom.
- Event Checklist. It was a good idea. Keith put it through ChatGPT. He'll do some editing, and add Kirk's input, publish. Will tidy it up for the next meeting.

8. Round Table discussion

Joyce – advertise the picnic yet? No . Joyce will send to Ray what was published last year (Word version).

Kirk said Keith should update the Event Checklist and send out before next meeting.

Don asked how many meetings do we need a location for. Hopefully eight meetings, through December and excluding June, July, August.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm. Next meeting: Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 1:00 pm, on Zoom.

Action Items:

- Prior to every meeting, everyone should review the minutes and the reports sent out by Board members.
- When anyone has an event publicized in the Navigator, they need to check the article and links. Also, let PJ know of any changes or cancellations to update the website.
- Event coordinators need to send confirmation to all who sign up for their events and also send detailed event information the day before the event.
- When event coordinators deposit money into the CU, they need to note what event it's for, so that Doug knows.
- Barbara and Kirk need to meet regarding using links to her One Drive for Board to see her reports/rosters.
- Doug and Don need to sign up for Verde Canyon Railroad.
- Keith will look into getting a second or third speaker to use at the Spring Picnic.
- Joyce will send to Ray the Word version of the write-up for the Spring Picnic so he can update and wordsmith it for this year's picnic and review with the Board members.
- Joyce will investigate the Everly and Eidelweiss restaurant for a possible Octoberfest event.
- Barbara will research a possible bowling event.
- Keith will send Paul Gibson's email address to Kevin V.
- Joyce will update the Navigator to send out.
- Don will send out the survey.
- The document storage team will meet to discuss options.
- Don will investigate North Mountain Visitor's center as a possible meeting location this year.
- Keith will do more editing on the Event Checklist and send it to the Board members before the next meeting.