February 2024

Honeywell Retiree Social Club



Event		Club Sponsor & Contact	Date
Incredible Escape Room	ESCAPE ROOMS	AAC – Kevin Vetter - cancelled	March 2nd
Hawaiian Cruise		HRSC – Barbara Rippstein	March 16th
Spring Picnic		HRSC – Mary Barkl	April 25th

President's Perspective



The Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC) has been around for many years. Our purpose has always been to help our members to maintain contact with your retired Honeywell associates and to provide a variety of information and activities of interest to everyone. To do this, HRSC provides many social activities so that friendships can be renewed and maintained on a regular basis. These include picnics, luncheons, tours, trips, cruises and a variety of other outings. We have always encouraged all of our members to participate in these activities and share their memories with other retirees. We have also always encouraged our

members to renew and maintain contact with people they have come to know well over the years and to form new friendship with others in the Honeywell family. HRSC publishes The Bridge newsletter nine times a year which is distributed in an electronic form and in paper form for members unable to receive E-mail.

With that said, we are in discussions to merge with the Aero Activities Club (AAC). Both clubs are open to all Honeywell employees regardless of divisions. Although we will have a new name, we will continue to provide the same support and encouragement to all of our members. The new club will have similar missions, goals, and operating systems and will work jointly on ensuring a smooth transition. Our goal is to combine the clubs by the end of April 2024 and celebrate at the Spring Picnic.

As a member of the club many things that you are familiar with will stay the same but a few things will change. A few of the many things that are staying the same are as follows:

- You will still receive either an electronic or a paper newsletter with the same information as provided today, if not more
- The amount of the yearly dues will continue to be \$5.00
- You will continue to be able to pay on line for renewals
- The activities and trips will be still be available as club events

And a few items that will be different:

- The name of the club
- The link to the website

There will be updates as they become available and will be provided in the upcoming newsletters. As your current President, I will be here to answer your questions, concerns, and ideas so feel free to contact me at 480-580-5585 or at <u>mbarkl@cox.net</u>.

Kay Nye, the Bridge Editor, will also be available to answer questions and concerns. You can contact her at <u>Bridge Editor@hrcaz.org</u> or at 623-974-9258.

MISSION STATEMENT

Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC) is a social organization in Arizona for Honeywell International Inc. retirees; this organization will be open without regard to prior class of employment, race, creed, sex or geographical residence. HRSC will provide activities, programs (such as Fix-It Guys) and projects of interest to retirees and spouses. It will facilitate effective communications between members, other Honeywell retiree clubs and Honeywell International, Inc. It will provide opportunities to renew acquaintances and promote fellowship among retirees, and will assist retirees in maintaining and enhancing the image of Honeywell International, Inc., in the eyes of the public

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From the Editor



PROBLEMS RECEIVING YOUR MONTHLY EBRIDGE?

If you are having problems receiving your monthly Bridge E-bridge newsletter, please go to the <u>hotline@hrcaz.org</u> link for assistance. They are qualified to provide the help you need to resolve this problem. Although we appreciate your concerns, neither the Bridge Editor nor the President can help you with this issue so please do not contact us first.

HONEYWELL RETIREE SOCIAL CLUB ADDRESS

When mailing items to the HRSC treasurer, please ensure that you address the envelope using the full name of the club, i.e. Honeywell Retiree Social Club, so it goes to the proper location. Some people just put HRSC on the envelope and it ends up in HR which slows down the process.

PAPER OR ELECTRONIC?

Once again we would like to take this opportunity to encourage our members to switch from the paper Bridge to the electronic version of the Bridge. And if you are currently receiving both, there are many advantages to switching to an electronic copy only. Often there is a lag in delivery of the paper Bridge that could cause members to miss current information and/or articles. The electronic copy of the Bridge also offers pages in full color versus the black and white pages found in the paper copy, as well as functional links to easily get to additional information on articles and events. The electronic Bridge will be sent directly to your E-mail address within one or two days of completion. We strongly encourage everyone to start using the electronic Bridge which will save time in the long run and provide the most current information within a matter of days instead of weeks.

JUST A FEW FRIENDLY REMINDERS...

- A variety of information for members can be found on the HRSC website <u>hrcaz.org.</u> Just click the menu buttons at the left of most pages. One of these is a link to the "Event Schedule" so you can review upcoming events that you may be interested in attending.
- In addition to upcoming events, accessing the above website will also provide a variety of other information. For example, to reach Honeywell-related information, click on the "Useful Links" button, then select "Jump to Honeywell Dashboard" at the top of the page.
- Please address any comments or questions to the editor at the HRSC E-mail address <u>Bridge Editor@hrcaz.org</u>.

Actively Looking for Board Members!!

We are always looking for new Board members to support the Honeywell Retiree Social Club. We meet once a month from August through May using Zoom for our Board meetings and have voted to continue to use Zoom because it is more convenient and makes it easier for everyone to participate. With that said, anyone located anywhere can participate easily when becoming a Board member. Please think about joining us on the Board this year. We need new ideas and you could help!

We also need a club member with knowledge in any of the areas of websites, servers, and E-mail distribution. This could be a director position, a staff position, or just an advisory position without specific responsibilities.

Please call Mary Barkl at 480-580-5585 if you are interested in becoming a Board member or if you have any of the skills mentioned above. We would appreciate your help and look forward to adding new members to our team!

We Need Your Help with Our Club Website Merger!

As you read in Mary Barkl's President's Perspective, we have started working towards a merger with the Aero Activities Club (AAC that used to be the Sperry Retiree Club. An important part of this will be a merger of the two websites.

We are in early discussions on the website merger and don't yet know what approach we will be taking or what help we will need. We expect, however, that most of the activity will be in February, March, and April. Any help would be much appreciated, whether giving advice or doing some of the work, so this may be a chance for you to put your knowledge to good use.

You do not need to be a website expert; even reviewing new web pages on multiple browsers and operating systems for function, accuracy, appearance, etc., will be helpful. If, however, you have even the slightest knowledge in any of the following, please let us know at hotline@hrcaz.org, and we'll get in touch with you if we need your help.

- HTML editors such as SeaMonkey, BlueGriffon, WordPress, cPanel HTML editor, etc.
- FTP transfers using FileZilla, CyberDuck, etc.
- HTML/CSS, PHP, JavaScript, etc.
- Online forms
- Automated link-checking
- cPanel file management, including backup and restore

Moving all or part of a website to a different server

- cPanel email functions such as address creation, Mailman mailing lists and auto forwarding
- email servers, email authentication, DNS Servers, domain name purchase, etc.

Thanks,

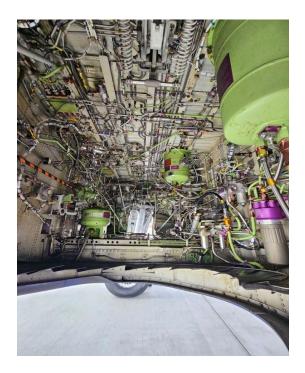
Kevin Harris HRSC Website Manager

${\rm Southwest\,Airlines\,7}^{th}\,{\rm Visit}$

On January 19th, 2024 a group of us toured the SW Airlines Maintenance Facility. We had a very interesting presentation on the origins of SW and toured the new hanger still under construction. The only 2 aircraft available to view were on the apron and closed up but our host pushed some steps up to one and opened the door for us. After that we are on our own so several of us sat in the cockpit, tried out the seats in the cabin and marveled at the small galley and toilets.









Cave Creek Museum Tour

On Jan 19th, 2024 we toured the cave Creek Museum. It contained a lot of interesting history of Arizona, the local Indians and mining in general. The highlight was a 90-minute presentation and demonstration on the various types of mining and the life of a miner. We were led through the process from end to end including watching the rock crusher operation. This 100,000# machine has been painstakingly rebuilt and is impressive to watch. One member said she has visited museums around the world and this presentation was the most interesting she has ever scene.



SUN, SEA, AND FIRE

By Barbara Rippstein

Hawaiian Cruise

March 16 through March 30, 2024

My husband and I have traveled to Hawaii three times by cruise ship and four times for hotel stays. It is a lovely state to visit! All of the islands are beautiful: however, my favorite has always been Maui. News of Lahaina's fire was very upsetting. Every trip to Maui meant some time spent in Lahaina almost every day, lunch, dinner, shopping, and sightseeing. The town is organizing and planning for housing, shops, and restaurants. They will rise again!

Princess sent our cruise group E-mails to announce a change to our itinerary. They cancelled our stop in Maui and substituted an additional stop in Kona. Later Princess changed other cruises that had stops in Lahaina with a stop in Kawii, another beautiful island. Princess really has kept its cruisers aware of their changes.

Our cruise is still 15 days long. We leave the Port of San Pedro at 3pm on Saturday March 16^{th,} 2024. We spend March 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th at sea. What is there to do at sea for so many days?. There are ukulele lessons, a choir looks for volunteers (it's fun), dance classes. Movies Under the Stars, jewelry store sales, and the casino is open while at sea.

Next we spend two full days in Honolulu. There is a lot of history in Honolulu. Princess offers many tours for their passengers including whale watching and hop on-hop off. There are also tours that you can arrange yourself. I recommend the tour of the ship USS Arizona. You can make reservations at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center at <u>www.recreation.gov</u>. From anywhere in Waikiki or the Ala Moana Shopping Center, take the #20 or #42 public bus (called TheBus), which will take you to the USS Arizona Memorial Visitor Center. If you're not sure where to get off, just ask the driver. A ticket costs \$2.50.

The Polynesian Culture Center offers travel through time and space as you experience thousands of years' worth of culture from six different island nations.

Our last port is Kona on the big island of Hawaii. There is one Hawaiian historical site we enjoyed which was The Place of Refuge. It tells stories about the culture of the earlier Hawaiians and their gods. Another private tour is to the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park & Black Beach.

The return trip home starts on March 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th This segment is slower to give you time to recover from the long Hawaiian ports. There are leis making classes and Hawaiian entertainment in the common areas of the ship.

On March 29th there is a quick stop in Ensenada, Mexico. Several excursions are offered by Princess. Then it's back to our Port of San Pedro early on March 30th. There is still time to join us! Call our travel agent at Ford's World Travel at (623) 933-8256.

Sponsored by the Honeywell Retiree Social Club

Spring Picnic 2024 Aero Activities Club & HRSC Members

"There IS such a thing as a free Lunch" Thursday, April 25, 2024 (some changes may occur)



Location: Ramada Time: Lunch Served Prizes: Coordinator: Rio Vista Park, 8866 West Thunderbird Rd., Peoria 9, 4 & 5 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM around 11:30 AM. 50/25/25 drawing Mary Barkl

We will provide and serve all food & desserts Burgers. Brats and all the trimmings

Because of health issues we ask you not to bring personal trays Please use the disposable plates provided

You may bring your own beer (we have a beer permit) or soft drinks Absolutely NO glass containers in the park

RSVP will be required in order to have the correct food quantity

To sign up for the picnic, contact Mary Barkl at 480-580-5585 or at mbarkl@cox.net.



<u>Members + one are free - \$10 required for additional attending guest</u>

We will have the book exchange or you can purchase a book for \$1

There will be a raffle!

TWO WINNERS IN THE RAFFLE - 50/25/25 One ticket for \$1.00 or seven tickets for \$5.00 When the money is counted, two tickets will be drawn; Each of the two winners will receive 25% of the monies collected. The other 50% is to offset the picnic costs.



Come join the fun!

Sponsored by the Aero Activities Club and the Honeywell Retiree Social Club

Honeywell Clubs Fix-It Guys Program

Sponsored by Honeywell Retiree Social Club, Honeywell-Garrett, and Aero Activities Clubs

Our purpose is to help club members and/or surviving spouses who may need assistance with handyman-type repairs and will appreciate saving some money. Currently there are six Fix-It-Guys including Frank Holman, the coordinator. If you have such a need, call Frank Holman at (602) 695-2565 to schedule a trip to your home. If you reach voice mail, please leave a message giving your name, phone number, description of the job, and nearest cross streets. We will get back with you to schedule a visit. We provide the labor at no cost to you, and you furnish the cost of the materials.

Are YOU Handy? Your Clubs really need your help!





You don't have to be a contractor-level kind of handyman – just generally handy around the house. Some of you may have special skills (Computer/Plumbing/Electrical/Drywall?) that can significantly help our members in need. Why not try it? Please call Frank Holman at 602-695-2565 if interested. We would love to talk with you!

The table below lists our current Fix-It Guys Team.

Thanks guys for all that you do!

East Valley					
Frank Holman					
	West Valley				
Lee Rippstein	Dan Schott	Paul Wiley			
Bob Farney	Kevin Vetter				

"In Memoriam"

Gaylord Edward Brockway	Gale Joseph Kristof	Bernie Holladay	Harold Peters
Manley (Skip) Fox	Nancy Schneider (Dale's wife)	Carl Hosier	William Ellis

PLEASE NOTE: New Honeywell Corporate policy will no longer provide the Club with lists of deceased employees. If you are aware of the passing of an HRSC member, please call Mary Barkl at 480-580-5585 or contact her via E-mail at <u>mbarkl@cox.net</u>. Please provide the information you have, whether or not there is an obituary, and what your relationship is to the deceased. Mary will verify it before having it published in the Bridge.

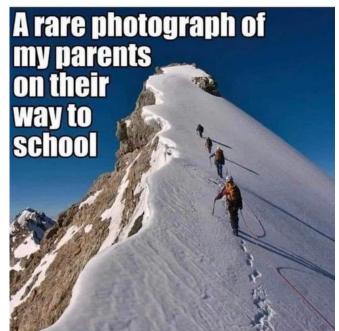
Laughter is the Best Medicine





Hmmm, I found a strange piece of plastic on the floor that looks like it broke off of something, but I have no idea what. Better save it in the junk drawer until I die.







WOMAN:

Shampoo for dry and damaged hair.

MAN:

6 in 1 shampoo for hair, face, body, carpet, car and dishes.

Now that Now That I'm Older...

- Don't be worried about your smart phone or TV spying on you. Your vacuum cleaner has been collecting dirt on you for years.
- If you can't think of a word say "I forgot the English word for it." That way people will think you're bilingual instead of an idiot.
- I'm at a place in my life where errands are starting to count as going out.
- I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do it's because I missed my exit.
- Ate salad for dinner. Mostly croutons and tomatoes. Really just one big round crouton covered with tomato sauce, and cheese. FINE, it was a pizza.... OK, I ate a pizza! Are you happy now?
- I just did a week's worth of cardio after walking into a spider web.
- A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.
- Kids today don't know how easy they have it. When I was young, I had to walk 9 feet through shag carpet to change the TV channel.
- Remember back when we were kids and every time it was below freezing outside they closed the school? Yeah, me neither.

Recurring Lunches



<u>Honeywell IAC Ole Timers Luncheons</u>: Location: Harbor Seafood Super Buffet 10030 North Metro Parkway, Phoenix, AZ 85051 (formerly the Hibachi Grill, remodeled, lots of choices mostly Chinese, with a new party room)

11:15 AM - Contact: Mary Barkl – <u>mbarkl@cox.net</u>

Monday, March 4th	Tuesday, June 4th	Wednesday, September 4th	Thursday, December 5th

Bull Old-Timers Lunch Bunch: Top Shelf Mexican Cantina, 3301 W. Greenway Road, Phoenix, AZ 85053

THIRD Tuesday January thru April, THIRD Wednesday May through August, and THIRD Thursday September through December. 11:30 AM - Contact: Robert Hetrick <u>honeybulloldones@gmail.com</u>

Tuesday, January 16th	Tuesday, February 20th	Tuesday, March 19th	Tuesday, April 16th
Wednesday, May 15th	Wednesday, June 19th	Wednesday, July 17th	Wednesday, August 21st
Thursday, September 19th	Thursday, October 17th	Thursday, November 21st	Thursday, December 19th

Southwest Over the Hill Gang: - Golden Corral Buffet & Grill, 1318 North Cooper Road, Gilbert, AZ 85233

FIRST Thursday of the month at 10:30 AM – Contact: Joan Schenamsgruber, 602-526-0357, <u>roberta40joan@gmail.com</u>

Thursday, January 4th	Thursday, February 1st	Thursday, March 7th	Thursday, April 4th
Thursday, May 2nd	Thursday, June 6th	Thursday, July 4th	Thursday, August 1st
Thursday, September 5th	Thursday, October 3rd	Thursday, November 7th	Thursday, December 5th

NOTE: HRSC sponsored programs and events, where payments are required in advance, will provide refunds anytime there is no cost to the Club. We will make every effort to provide refunds when requested; however, for some events funds will have been committed by the HRSC and will not be refunded.

Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC) of Arizona

Membership Application, Renewal or Change Form

On-line form and payment available at hrcaz.org. Click on Membership Application on left

The dues are <u>\$5.00 per year</u> from May 1st through April 30th. This entitles you to receive our newsletter, *The Bridge*, and participate in club activities and functions.

Please check at least one: (✓) New Member □ Membership Renewal □ Contact Info Change □ (For renewals or changes, only fill out name, date, and changes or payment amount)

Honeywell Division Affiliation (If multiple, please indicate main one only):

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Spouse's/Partner's E-mail address:		
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Do you want your E-mail address shown in The	Bridge retiree E-mail list? Yes] No 🗆
<i>Note:</i> The E-mail list is NOT available on the we	ebsite; only HRSC members will r	eceive it.
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and includes live links to items of interest. You can print all or part of it if desired. For those who *require* a black & white hard copy, it can be mailed to you instead but you will lose all of the electronic copy advantages. Please indicate your preferred format: Electronic \Box or Paper \Box

Membership Dues: _____ (# of years) at \$5 per year \$_____

(Multiple years appreciated to save cost and effort)

Make check payable to: Treasurer, Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC)

Mail to: Honeywell Retiree Social Club, Honeywell Inc. 1860 West Rose Garden Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027-2704

If your check is received by mid-month, then your new membership expiration date will generally be shown in the cover email or paper wrapper for the next month's Bridge. If it is received after mid-month, this will be reflected in the Bridge distribution for the month after that; similarly for receipt of your first Bridge as a new member. Contact the Hotline@hrcaz.org if this does not occur. There will be no other confirmation.

Please Note: If any of the above changes, please send your updates via E-mail to <u>Hotline@hrcaz.org</u> or by mail to the address above so you won't miss any issues of The Bridge newsletter. FORM REVISED ON January 4, 2024

- <u>Honeywell Bridge Editor: Bridge Editor@hrcaz.org</u>
- Honeywell Retiree Social Club (HRSC) Website: <u>hrcaz.org</u>
- HRSC Email: <u>Hotline@hrcaz.org</u>
- Honeywell Retiree Social Club, 1860 W. Rose Garden Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027-2704
- Honeywell Retiree Benefits: 1-877-258-3699 <u>http://www.honeywell.com/en-us/hr-direct/retirees</u>
- The Bridge Published monthly except for June, July, and August
- HRSC Annual dues: \$5.00 (multiple year memberships recommended)

	Club Leader Cont	acts	
Officers - Voting		Directors - Voting	
Mary Barkl – President (2024)**	480-580-5585	Kevin Harris (2025)*	480-789-0612
Denise Downar – Vice President (2024)**	623-465-1298	Kay Nye (2025)*	623-974-9258
Doug Metzger – Treasurer (2024)**	602-319-6637	Bruce Landini (2026)*	623-606-7449
Sherry Maxson Myers – Secretary (2025)**	623-582-4481	Barbara Rippstein (2024)*	623-566-1572
		Kirk Anderson (2026)*	602-708-9806
		Vacant – Director for 2024	
Sta	ff Functions (Non-	Voting)	
Barbara Rippstein – Cruises	623-566-1572	Vacant - Photographer	
Ted Rees – Membership Secretary	623-465-7337	Kevin Harris - Webmaster	480-789-0612
Kay Nye - Bridge Editor	623-974-9258	Frank Holman – Fix-It Guys Coordinator	602-695-2565
*Directors have a three-year term expiration ** Officers have a two-year term.	n date, staggered t	to have two directors per year.	
The club year runs from May 1 st to April 30 th			