



Lake Pleasant SUNSET MUSIC CRUISE

Oct 24th



Verde Canyon Railroad

Nov 1st



*Commemorative Air Force Museum @
Air Base Arizona*

Nov 13th



Holiday Lunch December

Dec 18th



ARIZONA BROADWAY THEATRE SHOWS!

DEC 4TH



Sanderson Ford Car Museum

Jan 23st





Keith's Thoughts



Our Spring Picnic last month was attended by over 100 members. It was a chance to meet up with old friends and colleagues and an opportunity to make new friends. We took a lot of pictures so if you went, check to see if you are in the pictures. If you were unable to go then take a look at the pictures to see who you recognize. You can find the pictures on our website hracaz.org under Event Photos or [Click Here](#).

Larry Bowe has been organizing the picnic for several years and has announced that this is the last time he will organize it. The picnic will continue under new leadership and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Larry for leading the event for so many years. Thank you also to the board members and helpers that made the event successful.

May is an important month for the club. It marks the start of our financial year, so if your Navigator delivery says that your subscription is paid through 2025 then that really meant through April 2025. You can renew on our website here [Renew](#) using PayPal or fill in the form at the end of this newsletter and send in a check. As always paying for 2 or 4 years reduces our administrative workload and is greatly appreciated.

The club goes dark June – August as several members will be out of town and outside events are difficult due to the weather. Our next newsletter will be in September.

In April we scheduled an election for one officer but no one volunteered, so the election was called off. We still have a very active board, but additional help is always welcome and spreads the workload. In order for the club to continue and thrive it is important to have new blood added to the board to bring fresh ideas and perspective and keep us young and invigorated. If any member or spouse is interested in joining the board, please contact any board member for information. Our meetings are 2 hours a month for 9 months a year.

We still have not received any articles or stories from Honeywell divisions other than Aerospace. I am sure that someone must have an interesting story or project that they worked on that is worth telling us about. Send suggestions to hrac.navigator@gmail.com. Below is an example of a short write up following an event. Still Aerospace article though greatly appreciated.

During a recent tour of the Southwest Airlines Maintenance Facility, there were photos of Honeywell's 131-9 Auxiliary Power Unit (APU). The Honeywell APU played a crucial role in the **"Miracle on the Hudson" landing of US Airways Flight 1549, piloted by Captain "Sully" Sullenberger**. After a bird strike disabled both main engines, Sully successfully landed the Airbus A320 on the Hudson River, saving the lives of all 155 passengers and crew members. The Honeywell 131-9A APU provided the necessary electrical power for critical systems like avionics and fly-by-wire flight controls, enabling Sully to execute the emergency landing.

Keith Hughes.
Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club (HRAC) President
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[Our website: hracaz.org](http://hracaz.org)



Current Events



Lake Pleasant SUNSET MUSIC CRUISE

Coming In October 24, 2025

\$30 person.



Our final count is due two weeks before sailing,
to reserve a space, please contact: Don Nicholas at dgnicholas@aol.com

Please meet us at Lake Pleasant Harbor Marina - 8708 W Harbor Blvd. Peoria, AZ 85383

I will be there at 4:00

Parking Instructions

- Pleasant Harbor charges a \$7.00 per vehicle (\$2.00 per person on chartered buses) entry fee. Veterans get FREE entry with ID.
- After driving through the point of entry gate, take a right at the T. Park in the paved parking lot next to fire station.
- Shuttle golf carts are available to pick you up in the parking lot at the blue canopy and bring you down to the marina. It is a 5-10-minute walk from the parking lot to the marina.

Important information:

- All children 12 and under are required to wear a life jacket (provided).
- All gratuities received throughout the cruise are split evenly amongst the captain and crew and are greatly appreciated. CASH ONLY for snacks and beverages on board. APPROPRIATE ATTIRE for the current weather conditions.
- BOTTLED WATER in clear, factory-sealed bottles is allowed. OUTSIDE FOOD of any kind is not allowed.
- OUTSIDE BEVERAGES are not allowed. No hydro flasks, reusable water bottles or coolers allowed.
- SMOKING is not allowed on board.



Verde Canyon Railroad

Saturday November 1st, 2025 at 1:00pm

Join us for the 4-hour Verde Canyon Railroad ride in Clarkdale. Embark on an unforgettable journey through Arizona's longest-running nature show aboard Verde Canyon Railroad. As you glide through the stunning Verde Canyon, you'll be immersed in breathtaking scenery alive with vibrant flora, diverse fauna, and captivating geology. Experience the beauty of the Canyon from open-air cars, where every turn reveals a new vista. Relax in comfort while savoring complimentary appetizers and glass of champagne or cider or indulge in top-shelf beverages for purchase as the nostalgic charm of the train embraces you. Every season is a reason to ride Verde Canyon Railroad because every day is a great day when you're on a train

Our goal is to fill the smallest car of 26 people, but we can get more tickets if needed

- **When:** Saturday, November 1st, 2024, 1:00 p.m. We request you arrive by 12:00p.m.
- **Where:** 300 N. Broadway, Clarkdale, AZ 86234
Find direction [here](#)
- **Cost:** The cost is \$140 per person (this is a **\$24 savings** from the regular price) and I will be waiting for you at the depot with our tickets
- **Parking:** Free parking at the depot and the train is handicap accessible
- **Beforehand:** If you want to get some food beforehand, the Copper Spike Café at the Clarkdale depot will be open

DEADLINE TO SIGN UP: Saturday, October 1st, 2025 (one month prior). You may sign up and pay online through [HRACAZ.org](https://www.hrcaaz.org). If that is not convenient for you, please contact **Kirk Anderson at 602-708-9806, or email him at kirk-anderson@cox.net**

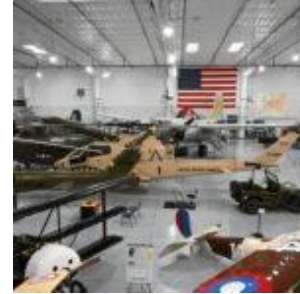
QUESTIONS? Feel free to call or email Kirk. You may also want to check out the Verde Canyon Railroad website <https://www.verdecanyonrr.com/>





Commemorative Air Force Museum @ Air Base Arizona

November 13, 2025



No need to pay until the day!
BUT reserve NOW!
Limited to 25 people.

\$ 15 per person.
CASH ONLY!!



Where: 2017 N Greenfield Rd, Mesa, AZ 85215 (480 924 1940)

Time: Arrive 12:45 p.m. Tour starts: 1:00 p.m.

- Meet at front door
- Tour will last approximately 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours
- Free parking
- Limited scooters/wheel chairs

To reserve, please contact:

Tom Leard: tomflyer12@hotmail.com



ARIZONA BROADWAY THEATRE SHOWS!

FOR THE 2025-26 SEASON, WE ARE OFFERING TWO PLAYS AT THE ARIZONA BROADWAY THEATRE (ABT) IN PEORIA. ALTHOUGH DETAILS WILL NOT BE FINALIZED WITH ABT UNTIL SUMMER, THE THEATRE OFFERS LUNCH AND THE PLAY AT A GROUP RATE, WITH AN ANTICIPATED COST OF \$75 - \$85 PER PERSON. SEATING IS AT TABLES OF 4 OR 6 WITH OTHER CLUB MEMBERS. PLEASE SEE THE FIRST SHOW DESCRIPTION BELOW.

A CHRISTMAS STORY, THE MUSICAL – THURSDAY 12/4/25 MATINEE

A Christmas Story is a heartwarming and hilarious holiday adventure based on the beloved classic film. The show follows young Ralphie Parker on his quest for the ultimate Christmas gift – a Red Ryder Carbine BB Gun. Along the way, he faces off with some bullies and endures his quirky family's antics. With a sparkling score by Pasek and Paul, short-stopping numbers, and plenty of holiday cheer, A Christmas Story is a festive celebration full of childhood nostalgia and the magic of the holiday season.





The Sanderson Village and Museum

Jan 23rd, 2026

You are invited to tour a private, invitation only with the son of the owner, who designed the museum. Even if you have been before Matt spends time telling you all about each car and its history. The museum contains dozens of cars and nostalgic items, such as a beautifully recreated old mercantile store, a kitchen from the '40s and a '50s diner with oodles of chrome and period furnishings and accessories such as Coca Cola items from the '30s through the '50s. The 20,000 square-foot warehouse has one of the best Ford collections anywhere and has something for everyone to enjoy.

This free tour is at 9:30 am on Jan 23rd, 2026 in Glendale. The tour lasts 60 – 75 minutes. Afterwards you may visit the Starliner Diner on the same site and purchase a late breakfast or lunch. For **tour reservations** contact Keith Hughes at keith8411@cox.net. **Please tell me if you are staying for a meal as space in the diner is limited to 30 people.** No limit to attend the event if not eating. [Diner Menu](#)





Past events

Spring Picnic 2025

Spring Picnic Brings Sunshine, Smiles, and Friendship

The Honeywell Retiree & Activity Club held its Annual Spring Picnic on April 24, 2025, at Rio Vista Park in Peoria — and it couldn't have been a more perfect day. With beautiful weather and 105 members and guests in attendance, the event was a great opportunity for retirees to reconnect with longtime friends and former colleagues. The Club served up a delicious lunch of hamburgers, brats, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and cookies, all of which were thoroughly enjoyed. The fun continued with a 50/50 raffle that had four lucky winners. A big thank-you goes out to the Club's board of directors and volunteers, whose hard work made the picnic a wonderful success. Be sure to check out all the great photos on our website hracaz.org or [Here](#)





Museum of Illusions Exhibit Report

The Museum of Illusions visit was well received by the 11 people who went. It is located in the same complex as Butterfly Wonderland and Odysea. Everyone had a good time looking at the many different optical illusions that at the museum. The best way to explain them is to show some pictures from the museum





Insight into our History

Bob Branch presents . . .
"Public Speaking 101: Or how NOT to give a successful presentation"

Due to popular demand, Bob Branch, director of industry sales, put together a photo layout titled "Scared speeches," or "Who needs practice field sales and marketing personnel?" for distribution to all.

The series gives a tongue-in-cheek review of what not to do before an audience. Below are some of the photos of Bob in his one-man show.

1. Casual is "in." Be loose and informal so the audience knows you're "one of the guys."
2. You can clearly convey your lack of knowledge by writing illegibly. Don't make anything too clear or they might ask questions you can't answer.
3. No "buts" about it. Never worry about equipment hodgepodge. If it doesn't work, shadow figures can provide on-the-spot entertainment, so keep those fingers limber.
4. Put a few slides in sideways. It gives the audience a chance to stretch their necks a lot.
5. Don't worry if your papers get out of order. Chances are you will have lost your audience quite a ways back so they'll never know you're not on target. Blow them away with infinite details. It will impress them with your knowledge.
6. If all goes as planned, your audience will awake refreshed and ready to hear the next vendor — who will probably get the order.

March 1984

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Lights, camera, action.
Steven Spielberg, er, Phil Off (left) directs the crew, on location in the Blue Room, as everyone gets ready for the first take in the filming of "TDC 3000 — The Movie."

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*Things to do****Desert Botanical Gardens******Free admission days, Second Tues of each month - 8AM - 6PM***

The Desert Botanical Garden has free admission on the second Tuesday of the month from the hours of 8-6 PM. The garden and the neighboring Phoenix Zoo are accessible from the bus line; however, not by the light rail.

Best advice is to check the bus schedule, as times and bus numbers are subject to change.

Desert Botanical Garden is a 140-acre botanical garden located in Papago Park, at 1201 N. Galvin Parkway in Phoenix, Central Arizona.

Founded by the Arizona Cactus and Native Flora Society in 1937 and established at this site in 1939, the garden now has more than 50,000 plants, in more than 4,000 taxa, one-third of which are native to the area, including 379 species, which are rare, threatened or endangered.

All guests (members or general admission guests) are required to register and have a timed-entry ticket prior to entry to the Garden.

Botanical Gardens***Culture Pass:******available at any Phoenix City Library*****Benefits:**

Two-person admission passes, good for one week, are available to a variety of places including:

- Arcosanti - Sedona Heritage Museum
- **Cave Creek Museum, Desert Caballeros Museum,**
- Heard Museum, Superstition Mountain Museum,
- **Desert Botanical Garden, Pueblo Grande Museum**
- Cosanti - Cosanti is the gallery and studio of Italian-American architect Paolo Soleri
- **Phoenix Art Museum, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art,**
- Reid Park Zoo, U of A Museum of Art,

People with a Phoenix City Library card can go on the website for more information and may be able to reserve them online. Only a certain number of passes are given out each month.

Culture-pass



Honeywell Clubs Fix-It Guys Program

Sponsored by Honeywell, Garrett & Aero Activities Clubs

We help Honeywell retirees or surviving spouses with fix-it jobs around the house.

This program is designed to keep the job from being a budget buster for you.

Call our Coordinator: **Frank Holman @ 602-695-2565** to schedule a trip to your home.

If you reach voice mail, leave a clear message giving job information, your name, telephone number and nearest cross streets. We will get back with you to schedule a visit.



Are YOU Handy?

Your Clubs really need your help!

We're hiring!!!



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?

Call: **Frank Holman 602-695-2565** - We would love to talk with you!

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

Thanks guys—for all that you do.

<i>East Valley</i>		
	Frank Holman	
<i>West Valley</i>		
Dave Allen	Lee Rippstein	Dan Schott
Paul Wiley	Kevin Vetter	



Recurring Lunches



Bull Old-Timers Lunch Bunch: Lin's Grand Buffet
10021 N Metro Pkwy E, Phoenix, AZ 85051
TIME: 11:30 till whenever

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

Tuesday, January 21st	Tuesday, February 18th	Tuesday, March 18th	Tuesday, April 15th
Wednesday, May 21st	Wednesday, June 18th	Wednesday, July 16th	Wednesday, August 20st
Thursday, September 18th	Thursday, October 16th	Thursday, November 20st	Thursday, December 18th

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 - roberta40joan@gmail.com

Thursday, February 6th	Thursday, March 6th	Thursday, April 3rd	Thursday, May 1th
Thursday, June 5 th	Thursday, July 3 rd	Thursday, August 7 th	Thursday, September 4 th
Thursday, October 2 nd	Thursday, November 6 th	Thursday, December 4 th	January 8 th 2026



Harry Weller
Vern Anders
Geri (Shauinger) Meier
Jerry Niznik

NEW- HR Direct Honeywell
Dept.09796 - 2601 Research Forest Drive
Woodlands, TX 77381 - 1 - 877- 258- 3699
Hours of Operation: Monday- Friday
9: 00 A.M.- 6: 00 P.M. Eastern Time

Checking your Pension After Jan 1st
www.benefitcenter.com/honeywell
or

Regular mail - Honeywell benefits Service
Center PO 18016 Norfolk, VA 23501

Overnight mail - 1434 Crossroads Blvd,
Chesapeake, VA 23320

Questions - 1-877-258-3699 #5

Retired members - Medicare contact

1-800-MEDICARE (1-800 633-4227)

Or via the website at www.medicare.gov
Northern Trust/ Pensions PO Box 92922
Chicago, ill 60675 - 1 - 877 - 258 - 3699 # 5



Jump on board

Looking for new board members

The HRAC Club currently has 15 Board members working to keep the Club going. As the Club gets older so do, we.

Several of these members have been on the board for many years. If anything was to happen to them or they resign from the Board, the HRAC Club could be in jeopardy. To keep HRAC from being at risk we need more Board members.

If you can spare a little time and like to work with others, please contact any one of the Board Members on page 2. What do you get for doing this? The same as us, the pleasure of knowing you are keeping a legend going.

Managing Your HRAC Membership

Membership dues are \$5.00 per year, for May 1st through April 30th.

Your membership expiration date is provided with your Navigator Newsletter.

- Hard Copy: Printed under your mailing address.
- E-mailed Newsletters: Provided in the body of the e-mail.

On-line processing is available to join, renew or update your membership information:

[Membership Form and Payment](#)

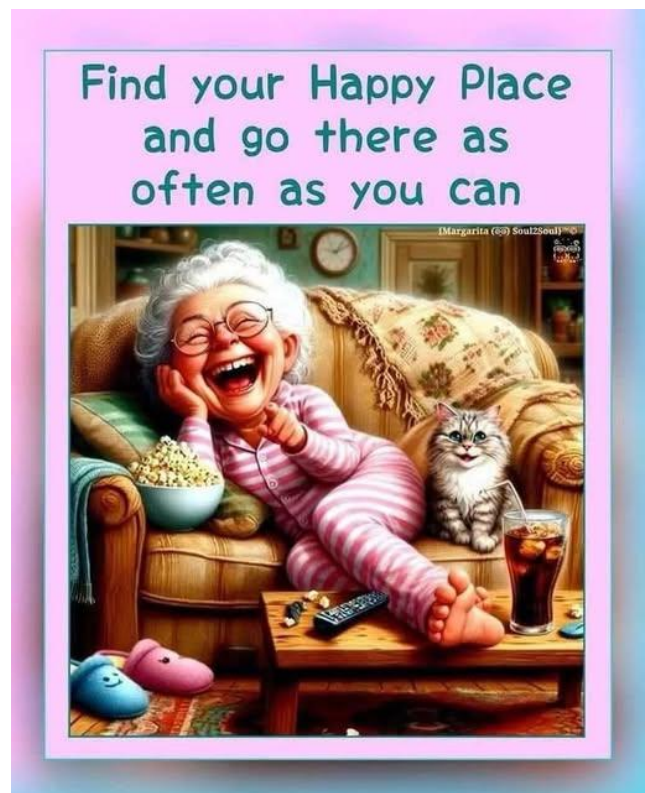
Or print and mail your payment and membership form. The form and mailing instructions are in every newsletter.

Contact Barbara Brockett with dues or membership questions.

- Email: hrac.membership@gmail.com
- Phone: 623-251-0221



Laughter is the Best Medicine





Board Members

Officers:

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keith8411@cox.net

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Kirk-anderson@cox.net

Sherry Maxson Myers - 602-920-7374
(Secretary)
Shery-z@cox.net

Doug Metzger - 602-319-6637
(Treasurer)
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(Secretary/AZ Broadway Plays)
Snuffles@q.com

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Non-Voting

PJ Hughes
Website Manager
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**Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club (HRAC) of Arizona****Membership Application, Renewal or Change Form**

➤ Visit hracaz.org for on-line applications, info updates or payments:

[Manage Your Membership \(hracaz.org\)](http://hracaz.org)

Membership dues are **\$5.00 per year**, for May 1st through April 30th.

Members are entitled to receive **The Navigator newsletter** and participate in club activities and functions. Member's spouses or partners are granted free membership.

New Member ☐ **Membership Renewal** ☐ **Data Change** ☐

Please print clearly:

Date: _____

First and Last Name: _____

Spouse/Partner First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone No: _____ - _____ - _____ Landline No: _____ - _____ - _____

E-mail Address _____

Spouse/Partner E-mail Address (for back-up contact) _____

Would your spouse/partner like to receive the newsletter? Yes ☐ No ☐

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

(Multiple year payments are appreciated to save cost and effort.)

Make check payable to: Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club (HRAC)

Mail to: Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club, Honeywell Inc.

1860 West Rose Garden Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027-2704

Do you want your e-mail address periodically listed in The Navigator member email list?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Note: The E-mail list is NOT available on the website; only HRAC members will receive it.

Standard newsletter delivery is through e-mail, providing color content and live links to items of interest. Members who require a hard copy can receive a mailed, black & white copy.

Newsletter distribution: E-mail ☐ or Mailed Hard-copy ☐

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

Aero: Avionics ☐ Aero: Space ☐ Aero: Engines/APUs ☐ Aero: Air & Thermal ☐ Aero: Other ☐

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Members will be notified of their membership expiration date with their newsletter delivery. Contact Barbara Brockett at hrac.membership@gmail.com or 623-251-0221 with any membership, newsletter delivery or dues questions.



Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club

Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club (HRAC) is for current and retired Honeywell employees who want to have fun and stay connected.



- HRAC coordinates events targeted for retired and late career employees. HRAC helps members stay connected through newsletters and events.
- Joint events are held with all Phoenix Valley Honeywell retiree clubs. ALL current and retired employees from ALL Honeywell sites are welcome!
Membership cost is only \$5 a year.

Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club

<https://hracaz.org/>

Here are just a few of the exciting past and planned events:

Entertainment and Enrichment

- Incredible Escape Room
- Verde Canyon Railroad Trip
- Arizona Broadway Theater
- Ocean Cruises
- Lake Pleasant Cruises
- Musical Instrument Museum
- Arizona Capital Museum

Touring and Exploring

- Southwest Airlines Maintenance Facility
- Amazon and Ping Factories
- Palo Verde Power Plant
- Sanderson Ford Museum
- Guided Bird Walk
- Bike Tours
- Hall of Flame Museum

Connecting with Others

- Christmas Luncheon
- Spring Picnic
- Newsletter and "Down Memory Lane" Articles



Come Join the Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club and keep active.



**Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club, Honeywell Inc.
1860 W Rose Garden Lane.
Phoenix, AZ 85027-2704**