

## **Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club Minutes**

Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 1:00 pm

Sherry (Maxson) Myers, Secretary

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In attendance: Kirk Anderson, Larry Bowe, Barbara Brockett, Joyce Colella, Keith Hughes, Christine Lindley, Melanie Merrill, Doug Metzger, Sherry Myers, Judy Wilger

1. Welcome – Keith
2. Review of minutes – Keith  
Keith reviewed the action items noted in last month's meeting minutes.
3. Treasurer's Report – Doug/Christine  
Christine reported no activity on the account, nothing came through. The two Aero CU accounts are AAC and HRAC.  
AAC account total: \$2,335.25.  
HRAC account total: \$16,304.56  
Discussion whether we should publish account information on the website: decision was NO since there is much money out there. Doug is available to answer questions if asked by members.  
Discussion as to what to report in minutes: report one total for each account.  
Amounts shown on finance report are after Paypal cost because those are the numbers that go into the bank account.
4. Membership headcount – Barbara  
September membership: 596, October membership: 590.  
Barbara will email the membership list to Board members as well as list of those who have not paid dues.  
In Barbara's Membership report, numbers shown through April 2024 are AAC only; a chart that more clearly shows the HRSC numbers before that point is in the works.  
It was discussed and decided that we will modify the membership form such that spouse/partner who is also a member can receive the newsletter as well as the member. This will be mentioned in the next newsletter.
5. Past & future event updates
  - a. MIM tour - Barbara. Late April or early February is good for this but not May. An afternoon-ish tour is good to avoid kids' field trips. A one-hour tour plus scavenger hunt plus tea will be planned. Have previously gotten good turnout for this.
  - b. Cerreta Candy - Joyce. The event was a lot of fun; of 20 attendees, 13 had lunch at the tea house afterwards.
  - c. Japanese Friendship Garden - Kirk. 20 or 21 are going; Kirk will ask if the possible 1 add can pay for the tour on arrival. Kirk has received all the payments. Cut-off dates need to be determined for events but if attendees can be accommodated, they should be.

Action item: make sure events are removed from the website before it gets too close to event date. Event payment money should be put into the checking account, not savings account.

  - d. Manistee Ranch Park - Keith. 12 have signed up.
  - e. Recycling Tour - Keith. 7 have signed up.
  - f. Tovrea Castle – Keith. They are booked through May 2025, Keith will contact them next year for a fall tour.
  - g. Sunset Music Cruise – Don. Don not in attendance.
  - h. ABT – Kevin. Kevin not in attendance.

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- i. Wrigley Mansion – Larry. Larry sent information on tours. Guided tours Wednesdays-Saturdays at 1:30 and 3:00 pm, cost \$20 per guest but we would offer Private tour, Tuesdays-Saturdays between 10am and 4pm; cost \$250 for 1-15 guests or \$550 for 16-25 guest and subsidize it. Tours last about one hour and most of the tour is accessible. Complimentary valet parking is offered at the top of the hill, avoiding a 7-flight of stairs from self-parking. Larry is thinking about a Saturday in February, when the mansion has plenty of availability.  
We agreed on a private tour on Saturday, February 15 at 11:00 am with lunch suggested at a nearby restaurant since the onsite restaurants are very expensive. This will be in the next newsletter. Joyce will help Larry with flyer.
- j. Caribbean cruise – Barbara R. Barbara not in attendance. Newsletter notes this is a Hawaii cruise, Joyce will correct this. Also, Joyce will contact Barbara for information.
- k. Hall of Flame – Melanie. Melanie has researched the museum tours, will plan an adult educational tour for February or March.
- l. ~~Christmas~~ Holiday lunch – Joyce. \$30/person. This is designated a Holiday lunch, not Christmas. We can now accommodate 200 attendees (instead of 100) as the dance floor has been removed. We will purchase eight \$25 gift cards to give out.

Flight operations tour – Barbara. Barbara will remove “and up to 1 guest” – no mention of guests. 20 people can attend.

- m. Need Winter/Spring events. Wrigley Mansion and Hall of Flame have been added to Events.
6. Website Status – PJ/Kevin  
When you have information on an Event, be sure to copy PJ on the email.  
To get information for an Event, click on “click here” which is the generic link with information. Click on the hyperlink to sign up.
7. October Navigator Review – Joyce  
On cover, correct Hawaii cruise to say Caribbean cruise.  
On page that lists Board Members, remove Kevin Vetter from “Assigned Directors.”  
Japanese Garden tour – Kirk should take pictures and do a simple write-up for newsletter.  
“Sounds of 60’s and 70’s” – this has nothing to do with the club so it was decided to delete it from newsletter.  
“Christmas signup” change to “Holiday signup.”  
Make hyperlinks consistent.  
Flight Ops tour – Barbara will update the words especially regarding “guests” to be more clear about attendees.  
Doug will contact Elliott Rachlin for an employee story since he wrote an article for “Scientific America” magazine in the 1980’s about Artificial Intelligence in the workplace.  
Employees are encouraged to share their story about what they’re doing in retirement such as volunteering.  
Fix broken hyperlink for Tolmachoff farms. When you do articles, please always check the links.
8. New business
- a. Garrett club status. This appears to be an “old-boys club” and they seem to want to keep it that way. The next newsletter of the Honeywell/Allied Signal Retirees Employees

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Association will have an article recommending members join our HRAC club, via an article written by Keith.

### **9. Round Table discussion**

- a. Newspaper article to tell the story of the HRAC club? Barbara B will look into this.
- b. Events Calendar. When someone holds an event, they should give instructions to PJ as to when to remove it from the website. If an event has a fixed number of attendees, have people call as opposed to sign up on website.
- c. Future agenda item: Validating our dues and payment model.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm. Next meeting: Tuesday, November 5, 1:00 pm.

### **Action Items:**

- Prior to every meeting, everyone should review the minutes and the reports sent out by Board.
- Doug and Christine meet to discuss how Doug can better put the HRSC Income and Expense by Activity Report together.