

Newsletter

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President's Column

Dave Evans

I'm pleased to send you this latest issue of our Aerospace Retirees' Club (ARC) newsletter for Fall 2014.

The objective of ARC is to promote the interests of Aerospace retirees and to provide benefits and services to our members through our social events and meetings, our semiannual newsletter, and our member webpage. Have you had a chance to look at our ARC website lately? If you haven't, please check it out at aeroretirees.org. The website is updated frequently, and it's loaded with useful information and links to corporate and other resources that provide value to you, our members. One of our new initiatives will use the website to tell you about other club activities sponsored by the Aerospace Employees Association (AEA) that might be of interest to you.

I'm pleased to report on the results of the recent elections for our new slate of officers and directors. Ken Holden has been elected vice president, Jerry Hashimoto has

been elected treasurer, and Jim Carroll has been elected newsletter editor, each for a two-year term. They replace Pat Downing, John Stevens, and Linda Stephenson, respectively, in those positions. Pat, John, and Linda will continue to serve on our Board as Appointed members. My thanks and sincere appreciation to them for their years of participation and commitment to the success of ARC in these key roles.



Other Board members continue to serve in leadership positions. Dick Farrar remains as Board secretary, and Bob Wyman continues as membership chair. Tina Pool also retains her role as programs chair, directing programs and social events for ARC members in Southern California. Janet Hiatt and Lisi Jackson organize and conduct member events for ARC retirees in the Washington, DC, region, an expanding role for ARC.

Others continuing to serve as Appointed Board members are Leila Jennings, Sharon Waterous, and Pat Bohlke. We are also very pleased to have Tom Freitag

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**Aerospace Retirees' Club
Board of Directors
FY 2014-2015**

2-yr Term Ends

Executive Committee:

President:

Dave Evans 9/16

Vice President:

Ken Holden 9/16

Secretary:

Dick Farrar 9/15

Treasurer:

Jerry Hashimoto 9/16

Membership:

Bob Wyman 9/15

Newsletter:

Jim Carroll 9/16

Programs:

Tina Pool 9/15

Appointed:

Pat Bohlke 9/16

Pat Downing 9/16

Tom Frietag 9/16

Janet Hiatt 9/15

Lisi Jackson 9/15

Leila Jennings 9/15

Linda Stephenson 9/16

John Stevens 9/16

Sharon Waterous 9/16

Ex-Officio:

Bill Deacon

Linda Drake

Shirley McCarty

Joe Meltzer



From the Editor. . . Jim Carroll

Welcome to the fall 2014 Aerospace Retiree's Club (ARC) Newsletter. My name is Jim Carroll and I've been elected as your new editor. First of all I want to thank Linda Stephenson for doing such an outstanding job on this publication over the past two years. She definitely sets a high bar, and without her help, I would have been struggling for many long additional hours trying to figure out how to use the Microsoft Publisher program that is used to produce this newsletter. She has made the transition relatively easy and virtually painless. Thank you, Linda, and thanks also to all the previous editors who have left a rich legacy for me to refer to whenever I get stuck or blocked. As I stated in my bio on page 4, I joined the ARC Board with the primary intention of contributing to the Club as best as I could while continuing to learn and grow as a person. This job as editor will definitely allow me to grow, and I eagerly anticipate and accept the challenge.

As customary, the Fall issue introduces you to the newly elected ARC Board Members and provides reports from the Treasurer and the Membership Chairs. Of course, we have a report and pictures from the Spring Luncheon and information on the next Holiday Luncheon in December. In addition, there is an article from the Aerospace Federal Credit Union by Molly Roberts.

We also have two excellent articles submitted by members: Bettina Babbit and Chuck Sorenson. I'm happy to see this type of participation from our membership. After all, this is your newsletter, and we love to hear from you. We want you to share your various stories, adventures and tidbits of wisdom that will benefit the entire membership. And it's so easy to do. Just go to [Contact Us](#) on our website, or send it to us via email. And for those that are not as technically inclined, you can always use good old USPS mail. BTW: please send us your email address if you didn't receive this newsletter via email—it means we don't have your current email address.

And lastly, Tom Frietag, our newest Board Member, has launched a new column on AEA Clubs, and I will continue the Travel Tips column started by Pat Downing in the previous issue. ♦

ARC Officers Elected

In accordance with the Aerospace Retirees' Club Bylaws, elections were held this year for the offices of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor. The four candidates nominated were Dave Evans, Ken Holden, Jerry Hashimoto and Jim Carroll, respectively.

Of the 728 ballots mailed out, 159 were returned. Of those 156 voted for the slate as presented. Therefore, Dave Evans will serve as President, Ken Holden as Vice President, Jerry Hashimoto as Treasurer and Jim Carroll as Newsletter Editor, all effective October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2016. ♦

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join the Board as a newly Appointed Board member.

I sincerely appreciate the contributions of all of our Board members for their time, dedication, and commitment to make your club a success. What a great group we have! Join me in thanking them for their efforts.

Let me remind you once again that ARC is your club. I'm sure each of you has suggestions or ideas that would make the club more effective or enhance its role. It's been a treat for me to meet so many of you at our luncheons and hear what's on your mind. I also welcome the comments that you send to our ARC [email](#) box. Let's hear from you! ♦



Is Your Membership Current?

Check the address label on this issue of the Newsletter or your email to make sure you are going to receive future issues!

If you need to renew or make changes to the information we have on you, please see the membership form on page 16 or on our [web-site](#).

Remember, you may renew for multiple years—or for life! ♦

Board Highlights

Membership Report

By Bob Wyman

As of September 1, 2014 the Retirees' Club had 796 members. Of these, 174 were life members, 83 free first-year members, and 39 survivors of deceased members.

Our membership is spread over 37 states, the District of Columbia, and Australia. Most members are in California with 612. Our presence in the Washington D.C. area is continuing to grow with Virginia being second with 41 members augmented by 11 in Maryland and 2 in D.C. In other areas where Aerospace has a significant presence; we have 13 members in Florida, and 14 in Colorado.

Other states with double digit membership are Arizona with 16 and Nevada with 15. The remaining states have less than 10 or none. ♦

Treasurer's Report

By John Stevens for Jerry Hashimoto

The primary sources of the club's operating income are member dues and an annual allotment from the Aerospace Employees' Association (AEA). At the end of the fiscal year, September 30, 2014, we collected \$4,510 in members' dues of which \$3,660 was dues paid in advance. The annual AEA allotment was \$1,500 this year. Printing and mailing the two

newsletters cost \$4,544. Other expenses included ballot printing & mailing, mailbox rental, web license and management, and miscellaneous operating costs. The net result was an approximate decrease in available funds over last year of \$385.

Expenses for our two luncheons were close to break-even. We spent about \$8,329 for the two events with a net balance of \$103.

As of September 30, 2014, the total of the Retirees' Club credit union and bank balances was \$20,918.77. This is an increase over last year's total of \$128. The bulk of this, \$13,845 consisted of prepaid dues that must be set aside for use in future years. Thus, our net available funds were \$7,074.

We continue exploring ways to reduce the costs of printing and distributing the ballots and news letter. Starting in FY15 we will provide our annual fiscal report to the AEA electronically thereby saving copying costs. We have modernized our Club website, aeroretirees.org which now incorporates hyperlinks to sites we feel may be of interest to retirees. We will continue to pursue the establishment of satellite retiree groups such as the very successful D.C. group. And finally we will try to improve our capture of recent retirees by innovations such as incorporating articles by recent retirees in the newsletter and distributing the newsletter in the Corporation's annual data package to prospective retirees. ♦

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS (CONT'D FROM PAGE 3)

New Board Members



Jim Carroll
Newsletter
Editor

I retired in April 2008 as manager of Measurement and Quality Assurance after 34 years of working in the same department. Since then, I've continued to work as a part time retiree casual in what is now known as the Corporate Metrology Office.

Now that I'm retired, I'm doing what I love to do and living life to the fullest. Between my wife, Samia, and me, we have 6 children, 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. We enjoy dancing, hiking, tennis and traveling. This May we went with friends and family (25 of us in all) on a 10-day CIE Tours trip to Ireland. Afterwards, Samia and I visited Paris on our own for a little quiet together time.

I am an Optimist. I've been a member of the Gardena Evening Optimist Club for 32 years and recently helped form the new Playa Vista Optimist Club. The motto of Optimist Clubs is: "Bringing out the Best in Kids" and I enjoy working for an organization that provides hope and positive vision for our youth.

I joined the ARC board as an Appointed Member in September 2013 with the primary intention of contributing to the Club as best as I could while continuing to learn and grow as a person. ARC is a premier retirees' organization, and I am looking forward to working

with the current cadre of dedicated and talented board members.



Dave Evans
President

I retired from The Aerospace Corporation in January 2010. I joined Aerospace in 1987 after a career in the US Air Force, with assignments managing research and technology programs in El Segundo and Albuquerque, NM. I also spent ten years as a tenured professor in the physics department at the US Air Force Academy. At Aerospace, I held several program office jobs supporting national security space. In December 1995 I was selected to be the Executive Director of The Aerospace Institute, a position I held until retirement.

Since my retirement, I have pursued a variety of volunteer activities. I serve on the Planning Commission for the city of Palos Verdes Estates and help military members and their families at the USO at Los Angeles International Airport. I also volunteer in the Emergency Room at Providence Little Company of Mary Hospital in San Pedro.

I was elected president of the Aerospace Retirees' Club in September 2012, and I am honored that I have been reelected for another two year term in September 2014.

My wife, Rita, is a recent Aerospace retiree, Our daughter, Cara, lives in Redondo Beach and also works at Aerospace. Our son, Matt, and daughter-in-law, Stacie, live in Washington, D.C. with their one year old son, Jack. We are so excited to have a

grandson, and now a second grandson is on the way! Rita and I love to travel, and we are always planning our next trip, either to some exotic destination or to Washington to visit our family there.



Jerry Hashimoto
Treasurer

I retired in 2010 as Director of Facilities Engineering and Construction after 26 years of employment. I continue to do work as a retiree casual. I've been keeping busy with home improvement projects, local sightseeing trips, exercising every week by hiking and participating in a bowling league. We travel to Oahu twice a year to see our now 18-month-old grandson, my daughter and her husband. Travel this year included an enjoyable two-week trip to Italy (first time to Europe) and camping trips to Joshua Tree, Canyonlands and Arches National Parks, and Monument Valley. A trip to Japan is planned for October. I was appointed to the ARC board in September 2013 and was recently elected treasurer for a two-year term. It has been an enjoyable experience getting to know and working with the other board members this past year.



Ken Holden
Vice President

I retired as General Manager, Launch Operations Division, Space Launch Operations, in March 2011 after 8 years in that position with responsibility for

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independent readiness assessments of launches of DoD spacecraft aboard Atlas V, Delta II and Delta IV launch vehicles. From 2001 through 2003, I was GM for the Launch Verification Division, which provided independent readiness assessments for launches of DoD spacecraft aboard the heritage launch vehicles: Atlas II, Atlas III, Titan II, Titan IV and Delta II. During my career, I have been On-Console on Day-of-Launch for more than 130 launches.

I joined the Engineering & Technology Group of Aerospace Corporation in 1980 and have held numerous positions of increasing responsibility over that period. I began my career in 1968 with McDonnell-Douglas, providing engineering support to multiple space programs, including Advanced Maneuverable Reentry Vehicle (AMaRV), Spartan, Skylab/Orbital Workshop, Saturn IVB and Manned Orbital Laboratory.

Since retirement, I've taken greater advantage of time for tennis, beginning golf, enjoying the sunshine, and volunteering with Meals-on-Wheels and serving on their Board of Directors in West LA. My wife Betty and I are both active church members, and I've held numerous positions on church committees.

Retirement has also offered us more chances to visit daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter in London, England. After retirement, I remained on Casual status. In October 2012, I was called back to support an Accident Investigation Board chartered by Gen Shelton at Space Command. That effort spanned nearly 19 months, and only recently concluded this past May 2014. ♦



By Molly Roberts
Vice President Marketing

Credit Union Updates

The credit union has implemented a number of beneficial product and service changes over the past few months. I wanted to take a minute to share a couple of the highlights:

Electronic Signatures - Beginning late September 2014, Aerospace Federal Credit Union started accepting electronic signatures for account documents. Using DocuSign® electronic signature technology and a secure identification check process, the credit union eliminated the need for members to print, fax, mail or bring in most completed forms. Your interactions with the credit union will now be streamlined and processing times will be shorter. Plus, our identification process and data encryption keep your personal information entered on these forms safe and secure!

Mobile and Scan Deposit Limit Raised - When we first launched the scan and mobile deposit services, there was a "daily limit" of \$5,000 for checks deposited using these new methods. Due to member feedback, we have increased the daily limit to \$50,000. Approved members are now able to deposit multiple high value checks at once using the Scan or Mobile Deposit services. Enjoy!

Youth Account Program Changes - To accommodate requests from parents and grandparents, AFCU changed the age restrictions for two existing youth products. Minors age 12 and older (with a parent or guardian co-signer) may now open a Youth Checking Account or a Student Visa Credit Card. This is a great opportunity to impart your money management knowledge on the younger generations!

Visa® BONUS Rewards - If you haven't been taking advantage of our monthly Visa bonus rewards campaigns all year, now is a great time to start. Get extra CUREwards points or cash back on your upcoming holiday shopping! Visit our website for complete details. If you have a Platinum Visa Rewards Credit Card, don't forget to check your monthly Visa statement for points that will expire December 31, 2014.

Online Bill Pay Sweepstakes - Each time you pay a bill online using AeroAccess through November 30, 2014, you'll automatically be entered to win a \$1,000 grand prize. The more bills you pay, the better your odds of winning. If you have not paid any bills online before, view the short "how to" videos on our website to help you get started.

In addition to the changes mentioned above, AFCU rates continue to make the credit union an intelligent place to bank. With above average rates on savings, and loan rates well below the national average, AFCU is hard to beat ♦

ARC Spring Luncheon

June 11, 2014

By Tina Pool

The Aerospace Retirees Club Spring Luncheon was held on June 11, 2014. We returned to the Ports O'Call Restaurant, because of its spectacular view of the harbor, capacity, good food, and free parking. The menu choices were chicken piccata, baked king salmon, and fettuccine. Included with the entrees, were: steamed vegetable melange, garlic mashed potatoes, rolls and butter, green salad, coffee, hot tea, and iced tea, and for dessert New York cheesecake with strawberry coulis drizzle. The charge for the luncheon was \$32.



The Bridgeview Room had been redecorated beautifully and really enhanced this year's springtime theme, which was also reflected in the napkins in pastel colors; and floral centerpieces. A bar with two bartenders was set up in the dining room at 11 A.M. and remained open throughout the luncheon.

Tables were set up for check-in in the foyer. The Aerospace Credit Union set up a display in the foyer with gifts and information for the attendees. Pat Downing displayed pictures from past luncheons in the dining room. Before lunch was served, Dave Evans, ARC president,

welcomed the attendees and invited guests. From Aerospace: Sharon Whitehead, our AEA liaison; Judy Gonser, Director of Employee Benefits; Maryann Bailey, Retirement Manager; and Molly Roberts and Jeri Smith from the Credit Union. He also recognized the new retirees, and those attending the luncheon for the first time.

After lunch, Dave reminded the members of the new and improved website. He also reported on the status of ARC-East. Dave opened up the floor for questions, and Judy Gonser answered questions regarding the status of the retirement fund and benefits. The Board was introduced, and members were invited to become active.



L-R Joy Egan, Sally Junge, Evelyn Sotack,
Martha Diaz & Dot Hino

Then Dave introduced Tina Pool, Program Chair, who coordinated the luncheon with the assistance of ARC members. She thanked our Aerospace guests, photographers Frank Goroszko and Walt Sturrock, Pat Downing and all of the members who helped. She then introduced hospitality chair Pat Bohlke who introduced and thanked her committee.

The Credit Union raffled off two \$25 Visa gift cards. Norma Veta and Ken Holden won the raffle. Roman Escoto and Ernie Wade won the ARC raffle for two \$25 Trader Joe's gift cards. The center pieces were given to the attendee at each table whose raffle ticket had the lowest number at the table.



Tina thanked the attendees for coming and invited them to the December holiday luncheon. ♦

Photos from the Spring Luncheon



Molly Roberts and Jeri Smith



Marion Brownsberger, Angela & Walt Forman, and Ella & Paul Bellia



Sharon Whitehead



Jerry & Kinuko Hashimoto and Mig Mignot



Gene & Marcia Hellie and Julie & Roman Escoto and Norma Veta



Judy Gonser



Mary Durand, Herb Schraibman, and Frank Goroszko



Pat Bohlke



Dave Evans



Tina Pool



Harold & Julie Featherstone



Bill & Jo Drake and Betty & Ken Holden



Ernie Wade



Dick Farrar

Photos by Frank Goroszko and Walt Sturrock

PROPOSED ARC BYLAWS REVISION

The ARC Board of Directors is proposing a revision of the current ARC Bylaws dated 10-1-2007. These new Bylaws with the proposed changes have been mailed to each ARC Member and are also available on [our website](#) for your review.

It is important that you review the proposed revisions now because we will vote on them at the December luncheon in El Segundo without discussion. If you have any comments, please either mail them to:

Aerospace Retirees' Club
PO Box 2194
El Segundo, CA 90245-1294

Or leave a message in the [Contact Us](#) section of our website. ♦

Websites of Interest

The [ARC website](#) is a continuous work in progress. If you haven't checked it out recently please do so. It's been redesigned and new information and features have been added. All you have to do is click on the link in the first sentence. BTW: if you haven't noticed already, this newsletter is peppered with web links (for electronic version only). They are identified by underlined blue font. Take the time to explore and discover more in depth information that complements or enhances the main article or column.

Websites that we think you will find interesting and informative are listed on the [Links](#) page of the website. Here is a current summary:

- [AARP](#)
- [Aerospace Employees' Association \(AEA\) Clubs](#)
- [Aerospace on Facebook](#)
- [Aerospace Retirees Portal](#)
- [Aerospace Federal Credit Union](#)
- [Employee Savings Tickets](#)
- [Healthcare and Elder Law Programs \(H.E.L.P.\)](#)
- [Orbiter](#)
- [The Aerospace Corporation](#) ♦

ARC Holiday Luncheon 2014

By Tina Pool

It's time for our annual Holiday Luncheon, and we will be returning to the **Hacienda Hotel** on **December 4, 2014 at 11 AM**. There have been very positive comments about our experiences at the Hacienda so the ARC Board feels this venue continues to be a great option and we should take advantage of the reasonable costs and convenient location, once again. The luncheon will be in the Crystal Ballroom on the second floor. There is an elevator off the courtyard in the front of the hotel and stairs at the rear.

The cost of the luncheon is \$40 which includes self-parking validation. The menu selections are: ½ Herb Roasted Chicken, Grilled Salmon Filet, and Pasta Primavera; including salad, warm rolls and butter, coffee, tea, or milk, and dessert.

There will be a social hour at 11 AM, followed by lunch at noon. Dr. Wanda Austin, President and Chief Executive Officer, will give an update on the status of the Corporation. Maryann Bailey, Director, HR Benefits, will report on retiree benefits, and Jenny Shannon, Assistant Treasurer, will report on the status of the retirement fund.

The Hacienda Hotel is located at [525 N. Sepulveda Blvd.](#), at Mariposa Avenue, in El Segundo. There is street parking and a self-parking lot, across Mariposa Avenue, which will be validated.

Reservations are due by **November 24, 2014**. Please complete and mail the reservation form on page 9.

See you December 4th. If you don't come, you'll be missed. ♦

The Aerospace Retirees' Club

Invites you and your guest to join us for our Holiday Luncheon

Thursday, December 4, 2014

Hacienda Hotel

525 N. Sepulveda Boulevard

El Segundo, CA 90245

(Click [HERE](#) for map and directions
or refer to back page)

Invited Speaker: Dr. Wanda Austin

President and CEO

The Aerospace Corporation

Crystal Ballroom

(Second floor; elevator available)

No-host bar opens at 11 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 12 noon



Price is \$40 per person

Please respond by November 24, 2014, using the form below.

For last minute changes in plans, or questions, please phone:

Tina Pool 310-673-7504 or Pat Bohlke 310-674-1882

A refund will be made only with 72-hour cancellation notice.

Refunds after that time will be subject to approval by the board.

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Reservations for Holiday Luncheon, December 4, 2014

Please return this form by November 24, 2014, along with a check for \$40 per person made payable to the "Aerospace Retirees' Club" to ensure your reservation(s). Indicate menu choice(s) and name(s).

Your telephone number _____ Email _____

Member Name (as you want it to appear on the name badge)

Pasta Primavera _____

½ Herb Roasted Chicken (Served with a Garlic Citrus Jus) _____

Fresh Filet of Salmon (Served with a Tomato Basil Butter) _____

Guest Name (as you want it to appear on the name badge)

Pasta Primavera _____

½ Herb Roasted Chicken (Served with a Garlic Citrus Jus) _____

Fresh Filet of Salmon (Served with a Tomato Basil Butter) _____

Please cut from page and return to the following address.

Aerospace Retirees' Club
Luncheon Reservations
P. O. Box 2194
El Segundo, CA 90245-1294

How do you prefer to receive ARC mailings? Email _____ U.S. Mail _____ Email and U.S. Mail _____

If none is checked, future mailings will continue according to previous preferences

Recent Retirees**April-October 2014****April**

David Allen
 Patricia (Ann) Bertrand
 Joan Blaty
 Joseph Glassman
 Yahya Golestani
 Eddie Hall
 Benjamin Kim
 Michael Kwan
 Elaine Lydon
 Barbara Maul

May

David Bohan
 Alan Caraway
 Satoshi Nagano

June

Bettina Babbitt
 James Gazur
 Guadalupe Gonzalez-Hall
 Carol Hemminger

L.J. Holloway
 Evelyn Jimenez
 Virendra Mahajan
 Jerry Rand
 Theora Steward

July

Douglas Berkner
 Jerry (Mike) Drennan
 John Flick
 Thomas Gurlitz
 Christine Jones
 Robert Keller
 John Lowry III
 Hiroo Mahtani
 Paul Mohlman
 Larry Shatswell
 Joseph Wambolt
 Anthony Witherspoon

August

Reynato Arnaldo
 Randall Beezley
 John Cantrell

Sarah Cowthran
 Douglas Donnelly
 Gerard Fisher
 Ronald Goetz
 Sally Hayati
 Ronald Hovden
 William Jackson
 David Jonta
 Gerald Keller
 Katarina Kraly
 Lilly Lau
 Marc Levine
 Robert Matthews
 Lloyd Morrow
 Michael Riccio

September

Paula Collins
 Yolanda Dewees
 Richard Donnelly
 William Fruland
 Gary Gonser
 Albert (Buzz) Merrill

John Miller
 Maureen Miller
 Mark Ostrander

October

Jason Chai
 Paul Cooley
 Mary Davies
 Kirk Dotson
 James Foster
 Samuel D. Gasster
 Judith M. Gonser
 Lois S. Habersham
 John F. Harrell
 Paul Humel
 Sheng-Bor Jeng
 Paul H. Kim
 Minh Nguyen
 Karen Owens
 William Pittman
 Earnest Richardson
 Marilyn Sperka
 Martha Webb

AEA Clubs Report

Tom Frietag



Be sure to save the date for the AEA Christmas Dinner Dance. The dinner dance will be held at the Manhattan Beach Marriott on Saturday December 13th. Aerospace retirees are invited, and tickets are now on sale (refer to the flyer on page 17 for more details). To order tickets, please contact Cynthia Jordan direct at 310-336-1004 or at cynthia.e.jordan@aero.org.

[The Aerospace Players](#) will announce their Summer 2015 production soon. It will be performed at the James Armstrong Theater July 17-25

There are several [AEA Clubs](#) that may be of interest to our members. Here is a partial list: Astronomy, Cruising/Sailing, Cycling, Dance, Golf, Home Improvement, Investment, Ski/Traveling and Walking. If you have an interest in any of these clubs, please drop me a line at tfreitag51@gmail.com and I will put you in touch with the contact person.

The [Human Development Club](#) will be disbanding at the end of the year and has accumulated an [extensive library](#) of programs and books on various types of media (audio tape/video tape/CD) that it is looking to find a home for. If you are interested in acquiring any of these (free of charge) or know of either an individual or an organization who may be interested, please contact Louise Chavis at 310-336-5900 or Louise.W.Chavis@aero.org.

Any ARC member who is also a member of another AEA Club and would like to promote the activities of that club or just share their experiences with the club, please send your request to me or Jim Carroll, Newsletter Editor, at aeroretirees@gmail.com for inclusion in the next ARC Newsletter. ♦

Cruise of a Lifetime

Dr. Bettina Babbitt

In February, March, and April, 2014, I sailed over 14,000 nautical miles from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, through the Caribbean, Central America, South America, and navigated around the Horn of South America near Antarctica, and up through the Pacific Ocean to Los Angeles. Dr. H. Barbara Sorensen shared a cabin with me on the Crown Princess. The one blemish on the trip was the Norovirus that showed up on the ship, but, fortunately Dr. Sorenson and I avoided that problem. Even so, we both consider that the itinerary on this cruise had the best ports of call, and we would take this voyage again in a minute.

At each port of call I tried to capture the feel of the region. Of all the countries visited, we especially enjoyed Costa Rica as a special place, and learned the phrase "pura vida" which means such is life. The country that looked as though it was in the most typical of a "third world country" was Nicaragua. It was plain to see that, when at a restroom, the sales people from the market handed out single sheets of toilet paper, and you had to tell them how many of these sheets you would need ahead of time.

We brought back a thousand pictures that we took, in addition to the photographs that were taken by the ship photographers. We bought a large number of those, as well. It was impossible to not notice that the longer the

cruise takes, the older the passengers are so the average age of our fellow travelers appeared to be around 80 years old.

It was difficult to pack for the jungle weather and the freezing cold glacier locations. For many of the nights we were outside on deck 16 watching Movies Under the Stars, and the porters would bring us popcorn while we watched the movies.

RIO de JANEIRO

We sailed through the Caribbean to Central America and into Recife, Brazil, and then arrived in Rio de Janeiro. The Crown Princess arrived in Rio just in time for Carnival. Rio was founded in the early 16th century, and was the capital of Brazil before Brasilia was established. Rio remains the nation's cultural and spiritual center.

We arrived in the morning, and joined a tour to Sugarloaf and Christ the Redeemer. We got on a Mercedes Benz bus, and headed out with five lanes of buses. The buses were going between 5 and 10 miles an hour with a lot of stop and go. The young people were flooding into the city with back packs on their backs. They were running between the buses to get to their carnival locations. We headed out toward Copacabana Beach, and the buses picked up speed. If you can put together \$300,000, then you can afford to purchase a one-bedroom condo on Copac-

cabana Beach overlooking the ocean. Your condo would be about 700 sq. ft.

From the beach area we headed out to Sugarloaf Mountain. It took three cable cars to get us to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain (and many more stairways after that). Remember the 007 movie with James Bond fighting "jaws" on a cable car? That is the same cable car that we took to the top of Sugarloaf.

Our tour then commenced to a traditional Brazilian grill. This is where we had mystery salads of all sorts, and waiters brought beef, pork and lamb on swords. The waiters would then cut the meat off of the sword, and it would then fall onto your plate. I had beef, and it tasted like the sole of your shoe - very tough. Then I asked for more beef. The next cut was better, but not great. Finally, they had some really great salmon.



Christ the Redeemer

After lunch we headed to the famous statue of Christ the Redeemer. On the way, as we traveled through Rio we saw a mix of dazzling high-rises, colonial architecture, and the favelas (slums). In the slums they do not have to pay taxes.

We arrived at the base of Corcovado Mountain, and boarded a train to reach Rio's highest peak where Christ the Redeemer stands. After we got off the electric train, we transferred to an elevator, and then to two sets of escalators to get to the top.

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Carnival starts at 9 p.m., and continues until 5 a.m., and runs for two nights. We saw many floats getting ready. The samba schools produce the floats, and vie against each other. For \$600 the ship would arrange an escort to carnival for a night of drinking and float watching, and bring you back in the early morning. However, we decided that the carnival experience was not for us.

Costa Rica and Nicaragua

Costa Rica has made great strides in diversifying their economy. They increased their education, and now have light manufacturing with microchip production. They have national education, and college depending on the ability of the student. They also have national health care and no military.

Costa Rica is a beautiful country with volcanoes, and rain forests. We took a tour on a boat. Along the way, we saw howler monkeys where the male monkeys hollered across the jungle. There were several sizes of crocodiles along the edge of the river. It was almost impossible to see the crocodiles. If I were hiking, I would have walked on them. (They looked like mud). There were scarlet macaws flying through the trees as our boat glided through tropical mangroves.



Crocodile on Muddy Bank

We also took an old-restored train that went through the backyards of the local people. This gave us a good glimpse of how people were living. The train had no air conditioning, but it had windows down so the breeze blew through the train. This was useful since it was hot and humid as we rode along.

Our guide, Eric, was possibly the best guide we had on our trip. He was very informative, and humorous. He left us with the phrase "pura vida" which means many things such as: look

at the best of the situation, find the half-filled glass, hello, good bye, and "stuff" happens.

We sailed from Costa Rica to San Juan del Sur, and discovered that Nicaragua supports education, but the education is so inferior that it is at the most

rudimentary levels. There are very few business opportunities since the citizens would not be able to compete on a world market level. The very

few who have the skills are underemployed or must leave the country to find work in Costa Rica or other places.

Nicaragua is a country of

potential opportunity with a beautiful countryside. It is a country of volcanoes. Our tour guide started us off at the Masaya Market where we acquired a "shopper's guide". He guided us to a section of the market that would take our credit

cards, and he helped us to select products that were sold at the market. He was also our negotiator, and we became shopping queens. Of course, we had to give him a good tip for such good work.

We continued from the market to Granada. Granada was built in 1524 by the Spanish.



Church in Granada

The town features ornate Spanish churches, and colorful colonial houses. We learned about some of the colorful history of William Walker who came from Nashville, Tennessee, and inserted himself as President of Nicaragua in 1859. He wanted Nicaragua to become a state of the United States. The country was known as Walkeragua. He was removed from office, and did not make it out alive.

Currently, there is a big push to build a second canal between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. Interestingly, the Panama Canal was almost built in Nicaragua originally. Now a new canal is being planned, and sponsored by South Korea, Japan, Russia, Germany, and the United Arab Emirates. It will be interesting to see what happens next with the canal plan in Nicaragua. ♦

**Boeing Santa Susana
Field Laboratory**
Chuck Sorensen

Growing up in the San Fernando Valley in the 1950s involved loud roars from the west at random times. Within recent memory, Vickie, my wife, and I took Boeing up on their offer to tour the Santa Susana Field Laboratory where the noisy rocket engines were tested. The Laboratory is located just south of the Santa Susana Pass which connects Simi Valley to the San Fernando Valley. The tour was mostly a 2.5-hour bus trip with multiple docents.

In 1947, the Rocketdyne Division of North American Aviation selected acreage in the Santa Susana Mountains for testing rocket engines. The first test stand was used in 1950; Wernher von Braun helped us pattern it after the German WWII facilities at Peenemunde.

Docent Bill Vietinghoff started working for Rocketdyne during the early Atlas rocket engine development in 1953. His description of the process made it sound like trial and error; he tells of times when a few seconds test run was the goal. We got off the bus at one of the Atlas engine test stands where Bill had spent much time, and he explained how they designed/tested and why chemicals got into the ground. Bill even pulled out his K&E slide rule and ran some numbers for us. Click for [Rocketdyne pictures and information](#).

The Atomics International Division of North American Aviation used its part of the 2,850 acres of the Laboratory to develop the SNAP 10A

(Systems for Nuclear Auxiliary Power) which was launched into orbit on an Atlas D Agena rocket from Vandenberg AFB in 1965. The Department of Energy is cleaning the related facilities/land to background radiation levels.

Atomics International also built the Sodium Reactor Experiment which first powered the town of Moorpark in 1957. It is given credit as the first nuclear reactor to produce power for the commercial power grid. The sodium, used in place of steam, is still being cleaned from the ground.

The tour is mainly to show the community how the property is being cleaned and made safe. All water runoff is filtered before being released. Boeing treated us well during our tour. Boeing has been involved in cleaning up the Laboratory since they took it over in 1996. Click for [Current Tour Information](#).

After going on the Boeing tour, I distributed the above account to Western Range Directorate personnel at Vandenberg AFB. I was surprised when our site Principle Director, Joe Wambolt, responded that he had also worked for Rocketdyne at Santa Susana and that he knew Bill, whom he still kept in touch with. This was Joe's first job after graduating from college.

Fast forward to June of this year; Joe Wambolt retired from The Aerospace Corporation as its second longest serving full-time employee, having been hired the year that Aerospace was founded; 1960. Click for [Aerospace History in Their Own Words by Joseph Wambolt](#). ♦

Travel Tips

We began this column in the Spring 2014 issue with hopes that our seasoned ARC travelers would share their favorite and most helpful travel tips with the rest of us. As retirees, we do have the time to travel now, and most us have been on some wonderful trips and adventures since retirement. Please share your tips and tidbits of travel wisdom with us so we can all benefit from your experience. Just visit the "[Contact Us](#)" section of our website and drop us a short note with your tips and advice, and we will publish them in our next newsletter.

In the meantime, we will scour the internet and publish some of what we consider to be the best and most useful tips and websites currently available for travelers

An excellent place to start is the [Traveler's Checklist](#) on the U.S. Passports and International Travel website published by the U.S. State Department. It has loads of useful and practical information on what steps to take to ensure a safe and healthy international trip. In addition, you can search for your destination to view more specific information about that country or area.

If you're planning a cruise, you need to check out [12 Surefire Ways to Have a Miserable Cruise](#) on the Cruise Critic website. It's a tongue-in-cheek look at cruising from another perspective. And if, heaven forbid, you just might want to have a terrific cruise with no major complaints, they suggest you do the opposite. ♦

CEO's Report: New Executives, Board Member

by Lindsay Chaney
September 16, 2014

In her final CEO's Report to Employees for the 2014 fiscal year, Dr. Wanda Austin announced major corporate executive changes, a new board of trustees member, and recapped significant events of the past quarter, including a record-fast handover of the latest GPS satellite.

Austin announced that Catherine Steele, currently vice president of Strategic Space Operations, based in Colorado Springs, has been promoted to senior vice president of National Systems Group (NSG). She will move to Chantilly, effective Jan. 1, 2015, to ensure a smooth transition with Dr. Manuel "Mal" De Ponte, who will retire on April 1 next year.



Dr. Wanda Austin gives her final CEO's Report to Employees for fiscal year 2014.
(Photo: Eric Hamburg)

Replacing Steele as vice president of Strategic Space Operations is Glenn Davis, general manager of the Imagery Programs Division in NSG. He will move to Colorado Springs by Nov. 1.

And effective Oct. 4, Bernard Chau, vice president of National Intelligence Operations (NIO), will move from Chantilly to the Crystal City office in order to be closer to more national intelligence customers and to better align the NIO business with civil and commercial efforts. Chau and the NIO organization will report to Executive Vice President Dr. Dave Gorney.



Dr. Rami Razouk offers congratulations to Catherine Steele as her promotion to senior vice president of National Systems Group is announced. (Photo: Eric Hamburg)

The new member of the Aerospace board of trustees is the Hon. Charles Blanchard, a partner in the law firm of Arnold and Porter in Washington, D.C., where he works with clients in the contracting and national security communities. Prior to joining the firm, Blanchard served as general counsel and chief ethics officer for the U.S. Air Force. He also worked in other government agencies and was a two-term member of the Arizona State Senate.

In the area of launch support, Austin noted that Aerospace supported two successful launches over a span of just four days in July and August. On July 28, the AFSPC-4 mission was launched on a Delta IV from Cape Canaveral. The mission consists of two primary Geo-

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synchronous Space Situational Awareness Program (GSSAP) spacecraft and a secondary payload known as the Automated Navigation and Guidance Experiment for Local Space (ANGELS).

Four days later, on the evening of Aug. 1, an Atlas V from Cape Canaveral launched the GPS IIF-7 satellite to orbit. Handover to the operators at AFSPC occurred on Aug. 8, only seven days after the launch — a new record in the GPS IIF program.

“Our ability to support two successful launches with only four days between them is outstanding,” Austin said. “It’s evidence of our remarkable commitment to mission success.”

Looking ahead, Austin reported that during the next 12 months, there are 11 scheduled launches for which Aerospace will either have mission assurance responsibilities or will be monitoring.

Austin reported that Aerospace is supporting the Space and Missile Systems Center as it combines the Infrared Space Systems Directorate with the Defense Weather Systems Directorate. The new entity will be called the Remote Sensing Systems Directorate or RS. Aerospace has been monitoring program technical issues during the transition, preserving the technical expertise in the two mission areas, and exploring synergistic opportunities.

In the Civil and Commercial Operations area, the company brings its broad systems engineering expertise to bear on hard problems faced by customers. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) has signed a \$1.5 million contract with Aerospace to develop a CubeSat bus for a solar array and antenna mission. JPL will develop the payload instrument and Aerospace will be responsible for payload integration, test, and mission operations. In other CCO work during the past quarter, Aerospace delivered a near-Earth object deflection tool to JPL, and gave a final report on a payload’s safety requirements to the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

Turning to the topic of corporate strategy, Austin said the 2015 Strategic Plan brochure has been published and will be sent to all employees in October. The plan was fine-tuned based on recommendations from the board of trustees and the mid-year July strategy meeting of the Aerospace Strategic Management Committee. The board has endorsed three general steps for the corporation’s future: 1) invest internally; 2) continue to expand; and 3) explore new opportunities.

Austin said senior leader teams have focused on developing new markets and strategies to make the corporation more resilient in the future through a broad and robust business base and through improved efficiencies for cost control. These could be summarized as providing a broader set of value to a broader set of customers.

In a move affecting the Operations and Support Group, Austin announced a major reorganization of The Aerospace Institute (TAI), which she said reflected recent changes in information technology and corporate organization.

The Library and Information Research Center, also known as the Lauritsen Library, will move to Enterprise Information Systems. The Leadership and Business Skills Development Office activities will become part of the Organizational Effectiveness group within Human Resources. The Aerospace Press will move to Corporate Communications and Public Affairs and TAI will continue as the company’s training organization.

Austin acknowledged TAI’s current executive director, Marilee Wheaton, noting that “The Institute has flourished under her leadership, and we thank her for all that she has done to create a learning culture here at Aerospace.” ♦

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In Memoriam

*Sincere sympathy is extended to
the families of:*

William Allen, graph svc. coordinator, hired Oct. 3, 1960, retired Aug. 1, 1989, died May 27.

John Aseltine, member of the technical staff, hired Aug. 11, 1960, retired May 1, 1990, died March 24.

***William Aston**, member of the administrative staff, hired Oct. 1, 1968, retired Oct. 1, 1993, died March 4.

Jay Baetz, member of the technical staff, hired Jan. 3, 1972, retired Oct. 1, 1996, died July 14.

Raymond Barenchi, senior locksmith, hired Feb. 2, 1981, died May 31.

Donald Behrens, member of the technical staff, hired Jan. 30, 1967, retired Aug. 1, 1988, died Aug. 3.

Trudy Bergen, manager, hired March 16, 1981, retired July 1, 2008, died Sept. 16.

Edwin Berry, engineering specialist, hired Feb. 6, 1961, retired June 1, 2012, died Feb. 9.

Bruce Bohi, project engineer, hired May 21, 1965, retired Nov. 1, 1991, died May 14.

Rena Brincat, administrative secretary, hired Jan. 10, 1963, retired July 1, 1985, died May 15.

Carol Brinker, office of the technical staff, hired Sept. 7, 1971, retired March 1, 2002, died July 22.

Sandra Burchell, space arc assistant, hired Aug. 16, 2004,

retired June 1, 2012, died July 28.

Edward Burkart, administrative technical staff, hired April 21, 1979, retired March 1, 1990, died May 31.

James Burke, member of the technical staff, hired May 29, 1967, retired Feb. 1, 1988, died May 19.

Ronald Cagnon, senior project engineer, hired Nov. 3, 1988, retired Oct. 1, 1995, died Dec. 21, 2013.

Norman Carter, member of the technical staff, hired April 7, 1980, retired Sept. 1, 1992, died Oct. 9, 2013.

I-Shih Chang, distinguished engineer/scientist, hired Aug. 1, 1977, retired Oct. 1, 2013, died Aug. 18.

Barbara Ching, principal director, hired April 8, 1963, retired April 1, 2002, died Aug. 14.

***John Colwell**, member of the technical staff, hired July 24, 1961, retired Sept. 1, 1993, died June 25.

***Walter Dennis**, member of the technical staff, hired April 27, 1970, retired Sep. 1, 2009, died Sep. 23.

Alvia Dial, executive secretary, hired Oct. 28, 1961, retired Aug. 1, 1989, died April 25.

Mildred Engle, office support, hired Jan. 12, 1981, retired Dec. 1, 1995, died Oct. 28, 2013.

Robert Falconer, systems director, hired Nov. 8, 1961, retired Sept. 1, 1989, died Aug. 28.

Henry Feldmann, staff group VP administrator, hired Sept. 10, 1979, retired July 1, 1992, died May 10.

Ralph Finney, project engineer, hired Oct. 26, 1982, retired July 1, 1994, died March 21.

Galloway Foster, member of the technical staff, hired May 25, 1982, retired June 1, 1993, died Aug. 6.

J. Jason Gale, member of the administrative staff, hired March 5, 1962, retired April 1, 1979, died May 6.

***Madelyn Gault**, senior communications coordinator, hired Oct. 3, 1974, retired Oct. 1, 1996, died June 4.

***Murray Goldberg**, member of the technical staff, hired Feb. 1, 1962, retired April 1, 1990, died Sep 19.

***Allen Goldstein**, member of the technical staff, hired Aug. 28, 1967, retired Feb. 1, 2001, died Oct. 21.

John Gott, maintenance coordinator, hired Aug. 29, 1960, retired Oct. 1, 1990, died Sept. 22.

Clinton Greene, manager, hired April 16, 1964, retired Sept. 1, 1987, died June 5.

William Green, project engineer, hired May 5, 1980, retired June 1, 1993, died Dec. 26, 2013.

Steven Grogin, member of the technical staff, hired March 17, 1997, retired March 1, 2012, died Sept. 13.

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Ramdas Gupta, member of the technical staff, hired March 28, 1979, retired Oct. 1, 1998, died May 13.

***Calvin Heit**, member of the technical staff, hired May 18, 1981, retired Nov. 1, 1990, died Sep. 9.

Hugh Heritage, manager, hired June 3, 1966, retired Oct. 1, 1993, died March 15.

Howard Holtz, engineering specialist, hired May 14, 1962, retired June 1, 2012, died Aug. 15.

Raymond Kardas, member of the technical staff, hired Sept. 19, 1961, retired Feb. 1, 1986, died March 16.

Thomas Kenney, manager, hired Feb. 14, 1966, retired Oct. 1, 1993, died Sept. 6.

William Labeda, project engineering, hired July 18, 1966, retired June 1, 1992, died Aug. 19.

***Ellis Lapin**, member of the technical staff, hired May 16, 1962, retired April 1, 1979, died Sep. 8.

***Jean Lawrence**, administrative secretary, hired Sep. 5, 1984, retired Oct. 1, 1996, died Sep. 1.

***Eugene Lenk**, member of the technical staff, hired July 23, 1962, retired Feb. 1, 1985, died Oct. 20.

Alan Leveille, senior engineering specialist, hired Jan. 9, 1978, retired March 1, 1998, died Aug. 12.

Ronald Lopes, project engineer, hired July 5, 1977, retired Oct. 1, 1999, died July 5.

Mack Martin, member of the

technical staff, hired Feb. 9, 1981, retired Dec. 1, 1994, died March 7.

Beatrice Matsumura, office technical support, hired Jan. 20, 1969, retired Jan. 1, 1991, died March 4.

Everett McGovern, member of the technical staff, hired Feb. 4, 1980, retired Nov. 1, 1993, died Feb. 4.

Wanda McKinney, secretary, hired Sept. 9, 1963, retired Aug. 1, 1974, died Aug. 1.

David Mills, systems director, hired Feb. 26, 1962, retired Oct. 1, 1993, died Sept. 21.

Thomas O'Brien, member of the technical staff, hired Dec. 2, 1996, died Sept. 21.

Richard Phelps, senior scientist, hired July 31, 1962, retired Oct. 1, 1996, died May 10.

Helen Proctor, administrative secretary, hired March 26, 1962, retired April 1, 1982, died Feb. 27.

Clarence Purdy, office of the technical staff, hired July 26, 1965, retired July 1, 1982, died July 5.

Andrew Quintero, member of the technical staff, hired Dec. 28, 1992, died May 4.

Lynn Rattinger, secretary, hired March 18, 1963, retired June 1, 1999, died May 27.

Frank Riggs, member of the administrative staff, hired Sept. 5, 1962, retired July 1, 1987, died June 26.

David Rogers, member of the technical staff, hired March 11, 1963, retired March 1, 1986, died Feb. 7.

Lawrence Sashkin, principal director, hired May 7, 1964, retired July 1, 1990, died Sept. 4.

***Henry Siesel**, member of the technical staff, hired Dec. 1, 1960, retired Nov. 1, 1991, died Oct. 13.

Grant Southworth, electrician, hired Sept. 5, 1989, retired Aug. 1, 2009, died March 9.

Harry Thoben, member of the technical staff, hired Feb. 13, 1961, retired Dec. 1, 1978, died May 3.

Robert Thomas, senior AIS specialist, hired July 31, 1962, retired Nov. 1, 1990, died March 23

Michael Trauring, member of the technical staff, hired May 20, 1963, retired April 1, 1987, died June 6

Mary Trayne, office of the technical staff, hired June 20, 1983, retired March 1, 1989, died April 21.

James Vaughan, systems director, hired Jan. 16, 1967, retired May 1, 1992, died Sept. 12.

Barbara Wardwell, member of the administrative staff, hired Sept. 12, 1960, retired Jan. 1, 1988, died April 19.

***Henry Weiss**, systems director, hired Nov. 29, 1979, retired Oct. 1, 1989, died Aug. 10. ♦

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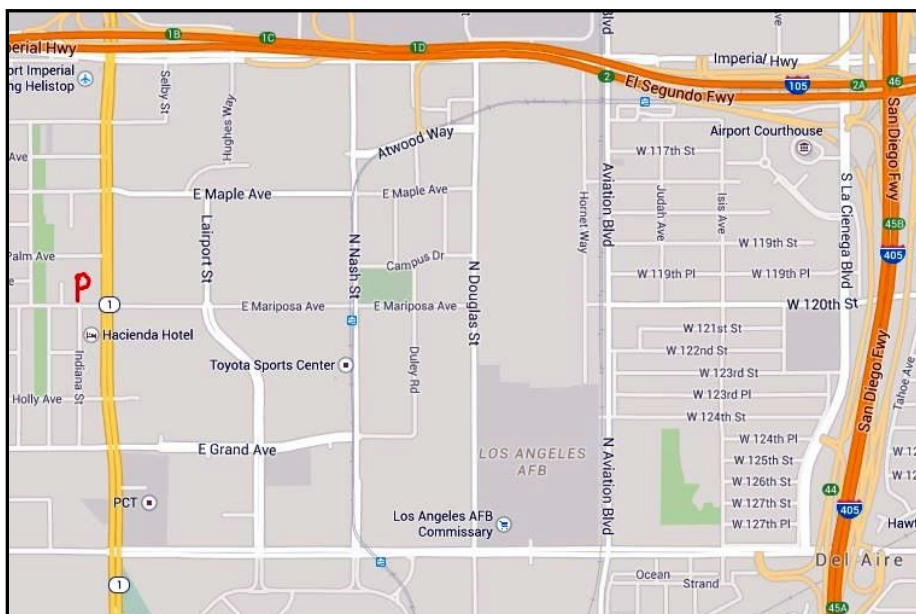
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