

# Tek Retiree NEWS

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Program



A Newsletter for and by Tek Retirees

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## Be a VOLUNTEER at the World's largest pre-college science fair, Intel International Science and Engineering Fair 2004

In just three months, more than 1,200 of the world's most promising scientists will come to Portland to present their scientific research. They will present findings in the areas of computer science, gerontology, botany, engineering, chemistry and more. Most of these scientists have new data to share with the world, and about 17% will receive patents for their work. However, few of these scientists have even hit the legal age to vote. Students will be competing for scholarships, tuition grants, internships, scientific field trips and the grand prize: a trip to attend the Nobel Prize Ceremonies in Stockholm, Sweden.

Intel ISEF brings together students from nearly 40 countries to compete and exhibit their own research findings. At least 40 Oregon students will have the opportunity to compete and represent the state. Never in the history of the fair has the event been held in Portland, and it has been 40 years since it visited the Pacific Northwest when it was held in Seattle in the early 1960s. The recent expansion of the Oregon Convention Center will provide an excellent facility to accommodate the many activities of the fair.

Hundreds of volunteers are needed to support this event May 9-14. General volunteers are needed throughout day and evening hours in the areas of computer equipment and communications support, security, ushering and crowd control, and exhibit floor operations to name a few. Both conversational and technical interpreters are needed. Over 1,200 judges are needed to interview the students, view their work, and make the hard decisions in 14 scientific categories. Judges must hold a Ph.D, M.D. or equivalent, or have 6 years of related experience.

To register as a volunteer or judge please visit us at: [www.intelisef2004.org](http://www.intelisef2004.org). The Volunteer and Judge tabs will lead you to registration forms and other information. Any questions can be e-mailed to [volunteer@intelisef2004.org](mailto:volunteer@intelisef2004.org) or call (503) 439-4208.

## Costa Rica

*By Judy Watkins*

Costa Rica is a beautiful country with lush forests, plants and flowers of every description. I was very impressed with my visit. There are unlimited things to see and do there and the people are friendly.

Costa Rica a land of cool cloud forests, wonderful beaches and majestic rain forests. Huge plantations and small farms alike grow coffee and bananas as well as fruits and vegetables of all varieties. Their golden pineapples are the sweetest, juiciest and best in the world. Brahma cattle are raised for beef and Holsteins for milk and cheese. This country produces all of its own food as well as exports to other countries.

Tourism is second only to the income realized from Intel's presence in the country. Bananas, coffee and textiles are next, in that order. Costa Rica has reserved 12% of its area as National Parks to ensure tourism doesn't ruin the natural beauty and wildlife population for future generations.

The two weeks we spent there were wonderful and I would recom-

mend it highly as a prime vacation spot.

Facts about the country:

- Schools are free of charge, including college or trade schools. 28% of the country's budget is spent on education and they have 97% literacy. The other 3% is accounted for by illegal immigration from Nicaragua.
- Medical is free of charge paid for with a 9% payroll deduction that they call Social Security. (Not the same as ours.) This deduction also covers the retirement benefits. Doctors work for the government from 7:30 to 1:30 each day; with a private practice in the afternoon. A member of our tour group needed a doctor. The doctor came to the hotel room, stayed for 2 ½ hours and administered an IV and gave her three prescriptions. The cost of the visit, IV and drugs came to \$130.
- The military was abolished in 1948 giving the country resources to spend improving the country's standard of living.
- The average income is \$200 a month and the minimum wage is \$180. The largest professional group is teachers who earn \$650 a month and have very good retirement benefits. The country has a very large middle-class and a family with two working can earn as much as \$1,400 a month.
- Gas costs \$3 a gallon and is regulated by the government. Texaco and Shell stations are everywhere but the cost is never posted. We were told no matter where gas is purchased, the price remains the same.

What did we do there?

Our trip started in San Jose at the National Museum. The museum is located in the building that was once the Bella Vista Fortress where in 1949 the abolition of the military was announced. Today displays of pre-Columbian ceramics and items from the colonial eras are found there.

The National Theater was completed in 1897 from money raised from taxing coffee. The theater is modeled on Paris's grand Opera Garnier and is indeed beautiful with its red velvet and gold interior.

The Poas Volcano is located about twenty-three miles from San Jose. The roads getting there were narrow and windy but the scenery was outstanding. The volcano is located Poas's crater is more than a mile wide and is said to be the second largest in the world.

Coffee plantations cover the sides of the mountain leading to the Poas Volcano. We stopped to visit one and discovered more about the history of coffee and its affect on the country. The coffee beans begin with beautiful white flowers that turn to green then a bright red. Coffee is picked in November, December and January so we were able to pick some of the red beans that were ready for harvest.

In Grecia we visited a church that is made completely of metal. There is only one other like it in the world. The church is painted a deep red and is trimmed in white. The church's altar is made of marble. The church is unique and worth seeing.

Just three blocks from the church we visited a farmer's marketplace where fruits, vegetables and meats were sold. The market had fruits

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# Tek Week 25 Years Ago

Jan. 5, 1979

## TERAC gives help after plane crash

The Tek Employees Radio Amateur Club (TERAC) will meet tonight (January 5) at 7:30 p.m. in the Technical Center (50) auditorium.

Dale Justice and Dave Lievsay will describe the support given by local amateurs during the recent Portland plane crash emergency involving a United Air Lines' DC-8 jet on December 28.

Mar. 2, 1979

## Women Engineers to hold workshop

A workshop, "Understanding Power Systems," will be presented by Dr. Alice Armstrong for members of the Society of Women Engineers on Saturday, March 10.

The all-day session will be held at Beaver-ton Far West Savings and Loan building on Cedar Hills Blvd. beginning at 9 a.m. Registration fee of \$25 includes special workshop materials and lunch.

## The Gadget Corner

### Wireless A / V in the Home

By Warren Collier – Exclusive to TRN

As a devout public broadcasting fan, I often listen to public radio, and I enjoy "Prairie Home Companion" and "The Tappet Brothers" as well as other shows. For a long time I have thought it would be fun to tape the broadcasts that I will miss because of other activities. But how to do it?

An ordinary audio tape recorder isn't programmable, and my VCR is not designed to program timed recordings from the A/V inputs – only from the usual broadcast and cable channels.

Well, how about using the radio's audio output signal to modulate a low-power TV transmitter? It just happens that relatively low-cost off-the-shelf hardware is available. I have a small unit on order. (Delivered cost about \$80.) It takes 2-channel audio and/or single-channel video and uses it to modulate any of the commercial UHF or cable channels. [The usual application for this unit is security systems (remote cameras) and the like.]

Once I'm set up, I'll leave the radio turned on and tuned to the desired radio station, with the audio output signal modulating my UHF unit. My VCR will be programmed to come on at the desired time and record the UHF frequency (channel) that I have selected. Of course it will be a channel not used in the PDX metro area, such as 36 or 40. No picture, but I don't need it – I just want the audio.)

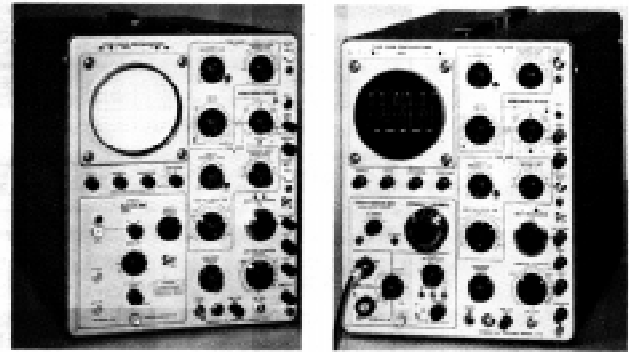
Another possible use for this unit is to "broadcast" a movie to any or all of the TV sets in my house. I could watch a DVD on a TV set in the family room, while my wife watches it at the same time (in sync) in her sewing room. All I have to do is connect the A/V outputs from my main TV to the inputs on the little modulator, while she watches on the selected UHF channel.

Obviously there are a lot of applications for something like this. If you're a dedicated gadget-lover, just use your imagination!

**TRVP Office Hours**  
**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

For further information, call Marci Donalson, ext. 1219 Walker Road.

Jan. 19, 1979



**TEKTRONIX PATENTS** for the Type 535 and 545 oscilloscopes were infringed by the U.S. Government, resulting in a Tek suit in the Court of Claims back in February 1961. The suit was won in 1971 and Tek received a check for \$4.5 million in December 1978.

## 2004 Tek Retiree Spring Reunion

By Marge Livermore

The spring NoHost get together of Tek Retirees will be held at the Beaverton Elks Lodge, 3500 SW 104th Avenue, Beaverton, OR on Saturday May 15, 2004 beginning at 4:00 p.m. Come show your appreciation and thank Pat and Ron Lowry who made these get togethers possible the past 20 years.

We will again be asking for a \$2.00 donation to help defray costs for light snacks and the hiring of additional serving help. Please RSVP as we need to get the approximate attendance number so the Lodge personnel can be prepared.

We ask that everyone contact another retiree to help get the word out. We are finding that not everyone is hearing about these get togethers. We would appreciate your assistance. If you have a change of address, please call 503-646-3295 or email:

marge.livermore@gtemail.net.

## Tek Retiree Picnic in Shute Park

It is time once again to mark your calendar for the Tek Retiree Potluck in Shute Park in Hillsboro at 11:00 a.m. Be sure to remind all your friends and co-workers to meet you there. It is a Potluck so bring a dish to share, dinnerware and your own drinks. There is lots of parking south of the library and tables close by. See you there.

### Marconi's Cronies

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon  
at J.J.North's Buffet Restaurant  
Northeast Halsey at 105th  
Portland, OR

Contact: Jack Riley for details  
Phone: 503-235-5267

### CRT Luncheons

3rd Tuesday of each month at 11:30 AM  
at the Home Town Buffet located at  
13500 SW Pacific Highway in Tigard, OR

Contact: Jack Neff for details  
1102 N Springbrook Rd. #252  
Newberg, OR 97132-2007  
Phone: 503-538-5130

## Retiree Deaths

Date: Nov., Dec. & Jan. 2004

**Adams, Robert**—d. 12/31/2003

At Tek: 8/15/1977 to 09/12/1997

**Allison, Charlene**—d. 10/30/2003

At Tek: Unknown

**Anderson, Donald**—d. 11/14/2003

At Tek: 6/14/1962 to 12/31/1982

**Anderson, Ronald**—d. 01/23/2004

At Tek: 08/12/1968 to 06/06/1986

**Bose, Madeline**—d. 01/15/2004

At Tek: 10/13/1958 to 04/29/1983

**Briggs, Andrew**—d. 01/03/2004

At Tek: 05/19/1958 to 10/01/1981

**Brouillet, Burton**—d. 1/1/2003

At Tek: 1/21/1980 to 3/29/1989

**Bunnell, Elva**—d. 12/29/2003

At Tek: 11/09/1967 to 05/30/1975

**Cameron, Linden**—d. 12/20/2003

At Tek: 10/17/1977

**Carson, Ramona**—d. 11/15/2003

At Tek: 03/19/1951 to 12/31/1997

**Csergei, Eleonore**—d. 12/03/2003

At Tek: 10/09/1978 to 04/30/1996

**Deibele, David**—d. 11/16/2003

At Tek: 03/25/1957

**Estes, Jean**—d. 01/03/2004

At Tek: 10/27/1980 to 02/25/1994

**Gamel, Shirley**—d. 12/13/2003

At Tek: 04/21/1980 to 06/03/1989

**Gillespie, Janice**—d. 11/19/2003

At Tek: 06/15/1992 to 09/01/1997

**Gillette, John**—d. 11/27/2003

At Tek: 09/07/1965 to 07/11/1986

**Goodyear, Clara**—d. 12/02/2003

At Tek: 07/05/1966 to 03/03/1978

**Gorman, John**—d. 11/6/2003

At Tek: 6/30/1968 to 7/28/1978

**Hall, Georgia**—d. 01/14/2004

At Tek: Unknown

**Hawkins, James**—d. 12/04/2003

At Tek: 08/19/1968 to 10/27/1990

**Hegney, Mary**—d. 12/11/2003

At Tek: 04/26/1976 to 05/27/1994

**Hill, Everett**—d. 1/9/2002

At Tek: Unknown

**Howard, Richard**—d. 12/25/2003

At Tek: Unknown

**Hunziker, Verna**—d. 11/23/2003

At Tek: 1/21/1959 to 4/29/1983

**Inman, Richard**—d. 01/17/2004

At Tek: 07/31/1967 to 01/07/1983

**Justice, Emmett**—d. 07/17/2003

At Tek: Not Available

**Kleffner, Betty**—d. 03/21/2003

At Tek: 10/07/1974 to 07/27/1983

**Lake, Geraldine**—d. 11/6/2003

At Tek: 1/15/1968 to 9/27/1985

**Lauer, Jim**—d. 10/10/2003

At Tek: 04/17/1984

**Laughlin, Robert**—d. 10/27/2003

At Tek: 1/21/1985 to 3/3/2000

**Le Brecht, Robert**—d. 10/7/2003

At Tek: 10/17/1977 to 12/20/1990

**Lulow, Alton**—d. 01/05/2004

At Tek: 02/02/1959 to 10/13/1978

**Mc Cann, Mildred**—d. 9/28/2003

At Tek: 6/29/1959 to 7/11/1986

**Mc Kim, Dale**—d. 11/24/2003

At Tek: 10/01/1962 to 01/31/1979

**McGuffin, Jo**—d. 12/26/2003

At Tek: 06/07/1982

**Miller, Doris**—d. 0/23/2003

At Tek: 10/13/1969 to 3/2/1976

**Min, Kun**—d. 01/02/2004

At Tek: 10/24/1977 to 01/08/1988

**Padgett, Robert**—d. 12/07/2003

At Tek: 01/23/1967 to 09/25/1992

**Peterson, Lillian**—d. 11/28/2003

At Tek: 09/26/1966 to 10/06/1969

**Pond, Earl**—d. 12/21/2003

At Tek: 10/17/1977 to 04/05/1989

**Puschel, Charlotte**—d. 12/04/2003

At Tek: 01/22/1968 to 06/28/1985

**Schuldheiss, Leona**—d. 10/2/2003

At Tek: 7/29/1968

**Scott, Joseph**—d. 9/28/2003

At Tek: 9/8/1980 to 1/31/1991

**Sharp, Pauline**—d. 01/16/2004

At Tek: 12/12/1977 to 05/19/1992

**Smith, Ivan**—d. 6/27/2003

At Tek: 7/21/1969 to 3/27/1992

**Smiley, Jim**—07/14/2003

At Tek: Not Available

**Starkey, Verle D.**—d. 09/22/2003

At Tek: Not Available

**Stobbe, Marian**—d. 11/15/2003

At Tek: 4/18/1961 to 3/15/1985

**Sylvester, Richard**—d. 01/18/2004

At Tek: 04/24/1958 to 01/31/1990

**Tamagni, John**—d. 0/10/2003

At Tek: 11/16/1988 to 1/21/1994

**Tarpinian, Arthur**—d. 01/07/2004

At Tek: 10/04/1976 to 08/22/1986

**Vesser, William**—d. 07/27/2003

At Tek: Not Available

**Wagoner, Nellie**—d. 11/19/2003

At Tek: 10/07/1974 to 06/28/1985

**Wheatley, Fannie**—d. 11/25/2003

At Tek: 08/18/1969 to 01/03/1978

**Wheeler, Stanley**—d. 12/06/2003

At Tek: 03/21/1960 to 10/21/1976

**Yard, William**—d. 10/23/2003

At Tek: 6/23/1980 to 11/1/1994

11/21/2003

At Tek: 01/27/1970 to 05/08/1970

## Costa Rica (cont)

and vegetables that I had never seen before and we were treated to tastes of all the things that were new to us. The market was clean and the products displayed looked fresh and inviting.

A highlight of the trip was our trip to see the Arenal Volcano near La Fortuna. Arenal is one of the world's most regularly active volcanoes. We stayed in the area of the mountain for three nights and were treated to a light-show not many get to see. The mountain rumbles and roars and makes the sounds of thunder. At night the eruptions throw red lava into the air before the streams of red roll down the mountain sides. It is like watching the fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We stayed in individual cabins that had glassed in front porches with rocking chairs. I can't begin to say how enjoyable an evening is sitting in a rocker on the porch with a glass of wine watching nature's fireworks.

We took a Class 1 raft trip down the Penas Blancas River. The river moved slowly and we had the opportunity to enjoy nature as our raft moved down the river. The trip took just two hours but we saw a three-toed sloth, howler monkeys, a crocodile, eight bats sleeping on a tree, a beautiful owl with a yellow breast and a variety of birds and butterflies.

On this trip we viewed iguanas that were different than the ones in Mexico. The male iguanas in Costa Rica are orange and about three feet long. The males and females alike lay high in the branches of trees. We stopped on a bridge that was higher than the trees and had a perfect view of hundreds of the reptiles.

*This article will have to be continued in our May TRN issue. We would like to thank Judy for sending in this story and hope that others of you who are traveling will send in articles of your adventures.*

## Volunteer Recognition

Be sure to reserve April 17, 2004 for the Tek Retiree Volunteer Recognition luncheon. Details are not available at this time, however additional information will be mailed to those we are aware of. If you have not registered with us, please give us a call at 503-627-4056 so we can include you at the celebration.

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### Editors Note:

This issue of the electronic TRN has some formatting differences from the hard copy. We are working to make them look identical. The content should be the same however.



**Mary Lutz**—Still busy caring for my son, lady in rest home and family. Go to club house once a month for dinner. Hope all is well there. I love the news you send. So many to remember.

**Helen Charlet**—I want to thank all of you who put in lots of hours each year to let us know we are remembered.

**Glenore Carrier**—Thank you for the cards thru the year. Thank you for all the good things you do for so many. I just lost my husband and partner of 57 years last spring so your remembrances are especially appreciated.

**Dave & Judie Eason**—I was in the field for Tek from 1969 to 1992. I met my wife at Tek as well. Her name is Judith Eason, she retired in 2001. We were both actually laid off but that's life when all the field offices go away. Your idea of a TRVP web site sounds great. We would be glad to read the news on a web site and save the postage, but would like to continue to receive a copy in mail as well. We are living in Florida.

**Bob Meehan**—Reading the article about Dan Senour brings back fond memories. When Imis System Solar Manager in the West, Dan and I negotiated the first S3160 sale to Motorola. I remember we were in the Marriott elevator going to the 1st floor. At the time I was 5'8" & 170 pounds, Dan was 6'6" and 260 pounds. As the doors opened two very small cleaning ladies were in front of the door and when they saw us their jaws dropped to the floor; we must have looked like a don with his bodyguard.

Later there was an occasion which Dan will remember at Pier 101 in Lincoln City. We were in the restaurant waiting in line for a pool table. My quarter was next but the guy up didn't want to let me play. The more I insisted the more enraged he got until Dan sidled up beside me and quietly asked the kid to back off. After he did back I asked him to play me and I cleaned his clock and let him have the table back—all thanks to Dan. He is and always was a 'gentle' giant. I would like his address, please forward to him.

**Don Smethers**—Thank you for all the work you are putting into the TRVP and the Tek Retiree News. Please say 'Hi' to Peggy and Warren. Although I haven't written before I just wanted you all to know that your newsletter is always interesting, please keep it up. I liked

the 25-years ago articles – they were always fun to read. Will they be back? We all look at the deaths with apprehension, and there usually are some familiar names from our work contacts—last time it was Bert Hippe, Bill Vesser and Al Peecher. Have you considered adding the DOB?

As for us, were in good health, busier than ever. Sonjia and I still need to sit down and compare our daytimers each week. After retiring in 1989, I ran my own business full time until 1995. On one of our trips to the Virgin Islands, we were married there in 1992. We still live East of Wilsonville on the Willamette, we're considering building on the Trask river. Sonjia has over 30 years at NW Natural and will retire in a couple of years. We have three children and four grandchildren, all girls. Our weekends are full, I am still racing cars.

### Editorial

The web address listed in this column in the last newsletter was inaccurate; it should be:

[www.tekretirees.org](http://www.tekretirees.org)

There are several events coming up, see the newsletters and the web for more details. The next event is the volunteer's luncheon for which the details are not yet available. See the web or call 503-627-4056 for more information. There is not someone at the office every day so there may be a day or two delay in getting a response. Most people do not want to spend more than one day in the office, after all we are supposed to be retired. We do have a small very dedicated staff.

In this issue we are publishing the "Twenty-five Years ago" column. You may notice the smaller print in order to be able to present more material. We may be changing some of the font type to make the newsletter more compatible for the web. It is intended that the web version have everything that the hard copies do. Eventually we would like to discontinue sending hardcopies to some retirees; however paper copies will continue to be available for all who would like them.

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## Volunteering at OMSI

Mission: The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) is a scientific, educational, and cultural resource center dedicated to improving the public's understanding of science and technology. OMSI makes science exciting and relevant through exhibits, programs, and experiences that are presented in an entertaining and participatory fashion.

"OMSI puts the 'wow' in science for the kid in each of us!"

OMSI volunteers share the wonders of science with visitors from around the world. From exhibit interpreters to backstage administrative assistants, OMSI's "V.I.P.S.," or Volunteers In Promoting Science, are invaluable to the OMSI team. OMSI volunteers all have a strong commitment to sharing their knowledge with others, and to personal growth and lifelong learning. Some of the other benefits OMSI volunteers receive include:

- Individual recognition for-service and contributions to the museum.
- Admission to the museum and OMSI attractions for the volunteer.
- OMSI Family Memberships for volunteers who give a minimum of 50 hours each year.
- Discounts in the Cafe and Science Store.
- Family invitations to OMSI member nights.

General orientations for new volunteers and training sessions for particular exhibit halls and other areas of the museum are held several times each year. In addition to receiving formal training, new volunteers are mentored by our experienced volunteers and educators.

## Immediate Needs:

### *Visitor Services Greeter*

Urgently needed! The goal of Visitor Services is to provide OMSI's visitors with friendly, professional service in a fast-paced environment. Volunteers will often be involved in visitor interaction: welcoming

and greeting visitors, taking tickets, giving directions and providing information about events happening throughout the museum, and organizing groups for submarine tours. No science experience necessary!

### *Mentor to Youth*

New Position! Mentors needed now! Mentor to Youth Volunteers are responsible for interacting with high school age volunteers and helping them adjust to the workplace environment. Youth volunteers are key members of OMSI's volunteer team. Mentors provide critical support to youth volunteers, ensuring that they have a positive, productive volunteer experience.

## On-going Needs:

### *Volunteer Educator*

Share your love of science with OMSI visitors as a Volunteer Educator! Interact with visitors through exciting science demonstrations and activities, help set up labs or monitor safety, and answer questions as you greet visitors with a smile! Volunteer Educator positions are available in a variety of different areas -Tech Hall, Life Science Hall and Lab, Watershed Lab, Paleontology Lab, Earth Science Hall, Turbine Hall, Physics Lab, Early Childhood Education, Chemistry Lab, and Laser Lab.

### *Submarine Tour Guide*

The Submarine Tour Guide provides daily interpretive tours aboard the submarine exhibit and assists with necessary work related to the upkeep of the exhibit.

### *Clerical Assistant*

Assist in clerical work for backstage departments: data entry, filing, organizing, etc.

## Ivan Ivanov Story

The story of Ivan Ivanov, a retired Tek engineer, is now available in a book. Written by his wife Kathy, it describes his escape from communist Bulgaria only to be imprisoned in the West as a suspected Bulgarian spy. After many tribulations, he makes his way to the US, speaking no English and with little training. He learns the language, begins an engineering career, marries and raises a fine family, and eventually arrives at Tek. It's a fascinating odyssey.

The book's title is "Ivan Pavlov, From Freedom to Freedom". The paperback edition is available for \$16.00 from Dorrance Publishing Co., Inc., 701 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, 1-800-788-7654, and also from Amazon.com.

## Tek Retiree Picnic

Shutes Park

Hillsboro, Oregon

June 26, 2004

11:00 a.m.

Bring a dish to share, your dinner service and drinks and join other retirees and friends for a fun time to be shared by all. For additional information call: 503-627-4056.

## Death List Error Correction

Our sincerest apologies go out to Janice Gillespie for having included her in the death list in the February issue of the TRN. Her name came to us in error. We were very pleased to receive a telephone call from her to let us know of this drastic error. She tells us she is very alive and doing well. We are pleased to announce that the error has been corrected.

## Tek Reunion at Elks

Friends and co-workers gathered at the Beaverton Elks on May 15th to enjoy a fun filled afternoon. Approximately 200 were in attendance. A follow up story and pictures will be published in the next newsletter.

## OMSI Volunteer Services

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## 25 Years Ago

June 22, 1979

### Tek places in Forbes Top 500 in market value, net profit

Tektronix, Inc. was ranked in two aspects-market value of common stock and net profits-in the Top 500 list compiled by Forbes Magazine.

Tek placed 183rd in rankings of companies according to market value of common stock, and 404th in net profits.

The survey, "The Dimensions of American Business: A Roster of the U.S.'s Biggest Corporations," was presented in 34 pages of the May 14, 1979, issue. Figures quoted are for the 1978 fiscal year.

In the Fortune Magazine Top 500 (see Tekweek, May 11, 1979), Tektronix was

ranked 369th in total sales of \$598,886,000. In the Forbes listing, however, Tek did not make the Top 500, even though the sales figure was identical to the Fortune total.

Forbes also ranks companies according to assets, and here again Tek with \$491,130,000 in assets failed to place.

April 20, 1979

### Clark County considers zone change

VANCOUVER-Tektronix and Hewlett-Packard had their applications for zone changes considered last night by Clark County Planning Commission. Results of the hearing in City Hall were not available by the time Tekweek went to press.

The requests for zone changes are of interest to residents of Clark County because the area is outside urban growth boundaries

and therefore without utilities, particularly sewer and water.

The countryside involved is mostly farms and single-family residences on large lots.

County commissioners are deciding on a new comprehensive plan simultaneously with the Tek and H-P hearings. That plan, if passed in the next few weeks, will call the area "agricultural," with 20-acre minimum lots.

However, because the plants are electronics firms, the planning staff recommended the zone change, indicating a belief that Tek and H-P would be compatible with agricultural use.

The staff recommendation, however, is contingent upon other official bodies giving an OK to extending sewer and water to an area outside the urban growth boundaries.

### Costa Rica – (Continued from February issue)

We visited a small grade school (35 students, grades 1 through 6). When the bus stopped the children came out and escorted us one-at-a time into the school and gave us each a glass of water. Then they sang their National Anthem to us and we sang ours to them. Some of the girls were dressed in bright dresses and they performed dances for us. After the program our personal escorts took us into their classrooms and showed us how they were learning to speak English. They asked if we would write to them so they could practice their English. The kids were fun to be with.

We visited a plant where coffee beans and macadamia nuts were being processed. The operation was a co-op that was run by fourteen women who did all the work and shared the proceeds. I was fascinated to learn that the nut shells were saved and later burned to process the coffee beans and the shells of the coffee beans were used to roast the macadamia nuts.

I went on a canopy tour with three other members of our group. A canopy tour is no educational walk through the woods. A guide strapped me into a climbing harness, and then he clipped the harness to a pulley. From there I hurled myself from tree-to-tree along a wire cable. The decent was made by climbing down the hollowed-out interior of a giant strangler fig. The tour included eleven platforms and two rappels and took three hours to complete. This tour is not for the faint-hearted or acrophobic.

In the Palo Verde National Park we took a boat ride on the Bebedero River. This park is south of Canas and is best known for its migratory bird population. We were amazed at the variety and colors of the birds we saw. There were also a few crocodiles lying along the banks.

In the Carara National Park we took another boat trip on the Tarcoles River. The muddy banks of the river are home to a large population of American crocodiles, some as large as fifteen feet long and weighing up to 450 pounds. This park is also excellent for bird watching. The tropical Mangrove Trees along the banks house a large variety including scarlet macaws, frigate birds, pelicans and storks.

A real treat was the day we ate lunch with a farm family. Our tour group was broken up into groups of six and each group was taken to a different home. Our hosts didn't speak English and we didn't speak Spanish but they were so warm and open and we managed to communicate. We were given a tour of their home and then they served us a delicious lunch. Our lunch consisted of: chicken baked in the oven and marinated in orange juice, rice, black beans, salad, steamed mixed vegetables, fried plantains, fresh lemonade to drink and an orange mousse for dessert. This is their normal diet and was delicious.

The endangered animals and birds are cared for in game refuges in Costa Rica. We visited two of the refuges and saw a variety of large cats, exotic birds, deer, a wart-hog and a porcupine. The refuges are privately owned and not sponsored by the government.

### What did we eat?

Overall the food in Costa Rica was well prepared and there was plenty to eat. The cuisine was not fancy but it was always good.

Breakfast every day was served buffet style in our hotels and were a mixture of American and local foods. There was always a large variety of fresh fruits including the world's best golden pineapple, papaya, oranges and strawberries.

For both lunch and dinner the "plate-of-the-day" or casado is served every day. In a casado, beef, fish or chicken (most always fried) is the main attraction. Served with the meat are heaping spoonfuls of

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## Retiree Deaths

Date: Feb., Mar. & Apr. 2004

**Baber, Bill** – d. 12/11/2003  
At Tek: 3/10/1986 to 12/31/1999

**Baer, Robert** – d. 02/13/2004  
At Tek: 06/21/1976 to 02/12/1982

**Balsiger, Carol** – d. 3/10/2004  
At Tek: 10/7/1969 to 5/28/1984

**Beanblossom, Marilynn** – d. 02/13/2004  
At Tek: 07/16/1973 to 03/25/1988

**Beers, Ray** – d. 01/01/2004  
At Tek: 01/03/1977 to 01/30/1987

**Borges, Earl** – d. 3/6/2004  
At Tek: 9/22/1969

**Borst, Dawn** – d. 1/18/2004  
At Tek: 2/13/1978 to 6/18/1993

**Brizendine, Delmer** – d. 12/30/2003  
At Tek: 07/21/1969 to 05/29/1981

**Burkett, Larry** – d. 01/8/2004  
At Tek: 8/23/1965 to 12/17/1990

Cappelli, Raymond – d. 3/30/2004  
At Tek: 1/31/1966 to 11/27/1989

**Chappell, Albert** – d. 3/27/2004  
At Tek: 1/19/1959 to 5/30/1983

**Cole, Rose** – d. 1/29/2004  
At Tek: 11/10/1969 to 05/19/1982

**Christiansen, Victor** – d. 12/13/2003  
At Tek: 6/29/1959 to 8/22/1986

**Cobourn, Virginia** – d. 2/27/2004  
At Tek: 12/12/1978

**Evans, Joan** – d. 02/04/2004  
At Tek: 11/26/1973 to 03/01/1999

**Givens, Gilfred** – d. 2/26/2004  
At Tek: 8/23/1967 to 1/31/1984

**Godwin, Melvin** – d. 01/25/2004  
At Tek: 10/06/1975 to 05/21/1987

**Grittman, Enid** – d. 2/25/2004  
At Tek: 3/24/1960

**Harnett, John** – d. 4/6/2004  
At Tek: 5/4/1959 to 4/29/1983

**Harr, Jack** – d. 4/9/2004  
At Tek: 1/3/1961

**Hume, Richard** – d. 12/13/2003  
At Tek: 11/08/1960 to 04/29/1983

**Johnston, Gerald** – d. 3/27/2004  
At Tek: 11/9/1965 to 2/15/2003

**Jones, Florence** – d. 3/13/2004  
At Tek: 2/6/1961 to 4/29/1983

**Kashmaier, Patricia** – d. 2/20/2004  
At Tek: 11/13/1974 to 6/26/1992

**Keim, Norbert** – d. 6/11/2003  
At Tek: 6/13/1956 to 4/29/1983

**Larson, Iola** – d. 3/3/2004  
At Tek: 5/16/1966 to 12/26/1975

**Liedtke, Mirian** – d. 01/20/2004  
At Tek: No information

**Loyer, Setsuko** – d. 02/13/2004  
At Tek: 08/21/1967 to 10/07/1993

**Lucero, Josephine** – d. 12/29/2003  
At Tek: 12/10/1979 to 05/27/1994

**Magar, Mary** – d. 01/25/2004  
At Tek: 02/20/1978 to 09/22/1989

**Martin, Sonja** – d. 01/30/2004  
At Tek: 08/09/1965 to 07/25/1986

**Maslach, George** – d. 1/23/2004  
At Tek: 2/13/1984 to 6/12/1999

**Mc Gill, Myra** – d. 3/2/2003  
At Tek: 9/18/1967 to 6/27/1986

**Messer, Christine** – d. 7/13/2003  
At Tek: 8/22/1966 to 10/1/1975

**Moncilovich, Milan** – d. 02/10/2004  
At Tek: 08/14/1978 to 04/15/1989

**Morehead, Virginia** – d. 3/1/2004  
At Tek: 1/23/1961 to 4/28/1983

**Payne, Harlen** – d. 3/20/2004  
At Tek: 6/4/1979

**Pietz, Albert** – d. 3/29/2004  
At Tek: 3/9/1959 to 5/30/1983

**Rickert, Geraldine** – d. 2/24/2004  
At Tek: 12/4/1967 to 5/24/1994

**Rickman, George** – d. 7/2/2003  
At Tek: 6/11/1956 to 4/29/1983

**Schendel, Rachel** – d. 02/10/2004  
At Tek: 10/03/1966 to 03/17/1983

**Shepard, Warren** – d. 3/27/2004  
At Tek: 3/1/1956 to 10/28/1983

**Shepherd, Mike** – d. 1/16/2004  
At Tek: 5/9/1977 to 5/27/1994

**Sowell, Arnold** – d. 11/25/2003  
At Tek: 09/07/1972 to 03/18/1989

**Stafford, Orlyn** – d. 02/05/2004  
At Tek: 06/13/1968

**Stipe, Arthur** – d. 01/10/2004  
At Tek: 03/16/1959 to 04/29/1983

**Strakr, Godfrey** – d. 2/22/2004  
At Tek: 6/14/1976 to 2/22/1991

**Strange, Ida** – d. 01/18/2004  
At Tek: 01/28/1980 to 06/29/1989

**Terwilliger, H.** – d. 2/21/2004  
At Tek: 11/22/1976 to 7/26/1993

**Thomas, Frances** – d. 3/12/2004  
At Tek: 7/26/1968 to 7/28/1991

**Wong, Kwai** – d. 1/31/2004  
At Tek: 9/22/1980

**Wong, Sue** – d. 1/4/2004  
At Tek: 3/15/1976 to 8/18/1990

**Wright, Gayle** – d. 10/4/2002  
At Tek: 4/30/1980 to 7/25/1997

**Yergen, Archie** – d. 3/5/2004  
At Tek: 10/18/1948

### Costa Rica (Continued from page 2)

gallo-pinto (seasoned refried beans with rice), fried plantains (similar to bananas), salad, and a steamed or boiled vegetable. Sometimes tortillas are served but not often. We never saw a slice of bread served with lunch or dinner on our visit there. Costa Rica has excellent seafood. The most common fish is Corvina, a tasty sea bass. We ate our fill of lobster and giant shrimps, both delicious and very inexpensive.

Our trip was taken at the end of their winter. Their High Season is November, December and January. The cost of most tours change during that time period. While we were there the weather was in the low 80's and quite

humid. There were rain showers during the nights but only twice during the days. It was a memorable trip and I am pleased we were able to see this country.

#### Recent Retirees

Date: Nov 2003 thru Apr 2004

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## TEK TALK

### Tek Newsreel

Copies of Tektronix' first annual report to employees and shareholders were distributed August 7th. The 32-page, two color illustrated report included a summary of financial performance during the year thus a message from President Howard Vollum, and background information on company history, products, organization, philosophy, and policies.

Company earnings during the year increased to \$76,908,000 from \$70,451,000.

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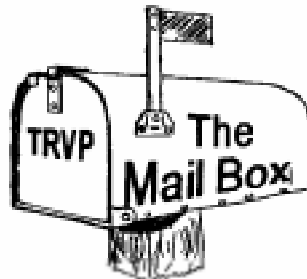
*By Louis Sowa*

Those of you who have volunteered to get the TRN from the web only will still receive a hard copy this issue. You should have received an email informing you that the email version is available. If you have requested not to receive a hard copy and did not get this email or would like to receive the TRN on the web only send an email to: Lsowa@earthlink.net

We would like to talk to any of you that might be interested in volunteering in the TRVP office one day a week. If you would like to know more about it contact me or any other staff member. We will invite you in for lunch and discuss possible opportunities. One of our current needs is for someone to work on the email list mentioned above. This could possibly be done from your home.

### Volunteer Recognition Lunch

There were approximately 80 persons attending the Recognition luncheon this year. Debbie Moberly spoke regarding the Intel 2004 International Science and Engineering Fair. Stan Griffith brought in a supply of old Tektronix instruments to display.



**Glenn and Darolen Sorum** – My wife, Darolen, and I have been hosting in Oregon Partners of the Americas for the last nine years. We have also gone to Costa Rica as exchange “students” and, without hesitation, recommend the experiences. We have found no better way to learn about a country and to establish long term friendships than an exchange program like this one. It is also very cost effective. Knowing a little Spanish is not necessary but makes it even more interesting. The local hosting opportunities described are well organized and there is lots of support for the first timers. Please check out the website at [www.partners.net](http://www.partners.net), contact Con Ruff at 503 282 1104 or call us if you are at all interested. However, be forewarned that we are biased in favor of participation.

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**Editors note:** An article provided by Glenn Sorum will not be published until next issue due to space limitation this issue.

**Kyu Cho**—Thank you for the Tek Retiree website. I wonder when I can see it (or any finished parts.) The website you are making will be special to me. It does not have to be fancy.

I am living in New York City. I always miss my beloved company “Tektronix”. For the memory, a few years ago I got a chance to visit the Vancouver facility where I used to work, then I got the biggest pain I ever had over the facility—it was no longer there. It was closed down, I felt deep emptiness.

### 55-ALIVE CLASS COMING IN FALL

A 55-Alive class will be held this fall. You may register by calling the TRVP office at 503-627-4056. The instructor will once again be Bruce Hollister. The fee will be \$10.00 per person. Check with your insurance company, taking the class may qualify you for a discount on your car insurance.

Dates: September 16th & 17th, 2004

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00

Location: Building 58, Conf. Rm. 1NH13



# TEK RETIREE NEWS

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A Newsletter for and by Tek Retirees

AUGUST 2004

## ISEF May 9-15, 2004

By: *George E. Edens*

The International Science and Engineering Fair is an annual event involving high school science students. It was held in the Portland Convention Center this year. Next year it will be in Phoenix. Intel is the major sponsor. There are many other sponsors this year including Tektronix and Hewlett Packard. There were about 1200 entries in 18 different categories i.e. Engineering, Computer Science, Chemistry, Math, Physics, Medicine and Zoology. All of the entrants had previously won in local and state fairs. They came from all states and forty countries.

The fair resembles a trade show and convention. A professional convention management company handles physical and administrative arrangements. Each entrant has a small 6x8-foot booth with a table and power outlet for his/her exhibit. There were a few team entrants of more than one member.

Up to 1500 judges were needed to evaluate the great variety of scientific projects. Judges had to be professionals in their fields. I was privileged to observe meetings of the Engineering judges. There were 120 judges for about that many projects. Each judge was assigned five or six projects. Judges had exclusive access to their assigned projects at scheduled times. In this manner each project was judged up to six times. Judges in each of the 19 categories had their own meeting room where they caucused before and after the initial judging. It was interesting to watch how this large Engineering group interacted to select the best projects in their category.

Numerous volunteers were needed to act as inspectors, ushers and helpers. My first job was as a safety inspector. When each entrant was prepared a volunteer would inspect his exhibit for adherence to several rules. Safety rules applied to electrical connections and presence of chemical substances, etc. Other rules applied to the student's graphic images and his attribution thereto. Serious efforts were made to assure that everything displayed was the student's own work. We issued approval certificates or required changes prior to final approval.

During the week volunteers were needed to help with public registration and many other chores including issuing passes for removal of items such as laptop computers. During judging and during some public admission hours the students were required to be in their booths. Our job was to observe that exhibits had not been altered after initial approval. At other times public visitors were allowed but students were not required to be present. We volunteers patrolled to prevent tampering with the exhibits.

Major ceremonies were conducted in a large meeting hall with 2500 people in attendance. There was an opening ceremony and two award ceremonies. We served as ushers to admit only properly authorized folks and seat them in designated areas. This got a little hectic, because the fair managers allowed only 30 minutes to admit and seat everyone. Numerous proud parents, teachers and relatives were reluctant to part with their sons and daughters during these events.

There were many awards including some \$50,000 scholarships. A team from Beaverton Technical High School won a top award for their fiber optic project.

Debbie Moberly, an ex-Tektronix employee, was in charge of recruiting and assigning up to 700 volunteers. She was a very competent and a very busy lady throughout the week.

Several universities and companies including Tektronix and Hewlett Packard had exhibits in the areas outside the student exhibit hall. Tektronix displayed several current products and a 517 oscilloscope from the 1950's. I was able to describe the features of the 517 to current employees whose parents perhaps hadn't been born when I worked in Test and as a Field Engineer. The risetime of the 517 was 7 ns, the time for light to travel seven feet. Its selling price was \$3500, the price of a new Cadillac in those days.

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## Living on a Catamaran

By: *Julie Blachford*

Never, in my wildest dreams did I think we would be living on a boat in the SE Caribbean! We are, and it is not over rated.

My name is Julie Blachford. I worked at Tek from 1976 (former Advertising, bldg 76) to the late 80's, and '90's, in various forms and locations. My husband, Sid Blachford and I met working in Vancouver's Murdock Park, in 1988. Our first trip to the Caribbean on a friend's sailboat was in 1989, and then again in '90. In '96 we sailed from Trinidad to Margarita, an island off the north coast of Venezuela. We were smitten with the cruising lifestyle and began researching to find our boat, then gathering all the necessary equipment. Finally, in 1997 we ordered our boat for delivery in July 1998. We moved out of our home, packed all our boating equipment in a small trailer and drove to Annapolis, Maryland. We moved onboard our catamaran, a Gemini. CLASS-cat is 34 feet long with a beam of 14 feet, spending 2-1/2 months at the manufacturer's docks, outfitting our boat. Finally at the end of September, we headed south through the Chesapeake Bay for the ICW (Intra-Coastal Waterway) that begins at Norfolk, Virginia and runs the length of the Eastern seaboard through the Florida Key. We took six-weeks to get to Florida, just in time to see the John Glen shuttle take off! You cannot begin to know the feeling of a space shuttle taking off, from the water! Nearly a religious experience, what a thrill!

We met up with friends from England, after we sailed west through Lake Okeechobee and in 1998-99 we sailed together with them throughout the Bahamas from the northern Abaco's, south to Nassau and Georgetown and back to Florida again. On New Years Eve, '99-2000, we sailed across the Gulf Stream one more time and island hopped until we reached Grenada, in the southeastern Caribbean, 6 months later! Since that time, we've become 6-month live-aboards, from November to June. When it's time for the flannel sheets to go on the bed, it's time to make flights to head south . . . way south!

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## Living (continued from page 1)

CLASS-i-cat has always been a boat at anchor, we do not live at a dock. All our groceries, laundry and garbage, etc. have to be taken aboard or ashore via our dinghy. We are totally dependent on the sun and wind for our energy use. We have a wind generator and solar panels. We do not run our engine every day. We depend on bottles of propane for our cooking and refrigeration and this is our most tenuous link with local services. We hire a car about once a month to tour the island and re-supply our stocks at a big grocery store. You've never lived until you bring all your groceries back to the dock in a driving rain, during darkness, then get soaked in the process. The local small town provides most of our daily needs.

The people we meet, both on the islands and other cruisers, are definitely some of the nicest people on earth. It is a wonderful sharing community. We've spent the past four seasons, or parts of them on the island of Martinique and up the whole of the Windward Islands from Grenada to Martinique. This season, with the value of the Euro having gone up, we're contemplating a move to less expensive territory. We are keeping an eye on the political situation in Venezuela and possibly next season, '04-'05, we may head west. (see P5)

## A Tek Retiree Moment

*By: George Smith*

The 21st Tek Retiree reunion at the Beaverton Elks went well, with a sustained party atmosphere, and Marge Livermore, Hattie Kelly and helpers keeping it running. Pretty darned good organizing for the first time out of the chute. I don't think anyone got through the gatekeepers without kicking in their entry fee, then getting a name tag, with the right size type for older eyes. There was some earlier confusion about starting time, both 3:00 PM and 4:00 PM had been mentioned, but it didn't seem to matter. I got there at 2:30 and the bar was already going. The affair was not as noisy as it may have been in the past; maybe due to a more dignified or pooped group of people. The head count about 120, a bit less than the attendance of previous years. Maybe some retirees didn't show because their walkers were still being serviced and not available in time for the event, and then there may have been others who didn't want to face Canyon Road traffic on a Saturday afternoon.

Some of the attendees put in a bit of travel to make it. One faithful pair from Sun City AZ, and even a small contingent of retirees now living in central Oregon. All were well

tanned and glowing, naturally, not from a tanning booth. The pale ones were of course from our wet, cloudy valley.

At mid-point Bill Walker did his thing by noting everyone's appreciation for the efforts of Pat and Ron Lowry that caused the start of this annual event and then its continued success for 20 years. A plaque and a plant (my wife tells me that it was a fuschia) were presented. Bill also noted the influence that Tek has had in the past years, causing the same atmosphere and flavor in newer companies that felt they wanted to duplicate its success with both personnel and product.

All in all, a good group of people with a lot of handshakes and hugs and much conversation. (If there's doubt, I was the hand-shaking type.)

## The gift of mobility...make a community connection

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Ride Connection offers many more volunteer opportunities. We are affected by our community elders and people with disabilities and their transportation challenges. We need many advocates to continue the good

work of alternative transportation in our community.

If you are interested in mobility issues for seniors and people with disabilities, please call to introduce yourself.

## Partners of the Americas

Those readers intrigued by Costa Rica after reading the excellent article by Judy Watkins about that beautiful country will be interested to know that Oregon and Costa Rica offer "home stay" cultural exchange programs of one month for senior adults. The exchange is one of many programs offered through the Partners of the Americas program, which pairs Oregon with Costa Rica.

Oregonians in Portland, Hood River, Salem and/or other cities will host about 22 guests from Costa Rica in October 2004. Coordinators in each city plan activities for their guests and coordinate dates and times for exchanges among one another. Portland hosts greet their guests at the airport and after two or three days of planned activities to acquaint them with the city transport them to the next city in the plan. This proceeds through the month until a few days before the guests are to depart for Costa Rica, at which time they will have been scheduled to return to their Portland hosts and the flight home. Hosting these charming people is a delightful experience; moreover, it qualifies host members of Partners to apply for a month of reciprocal hosting in Costa Rica when the Oregon group travels there in January-February of subsequent years. This manner of travel pro-

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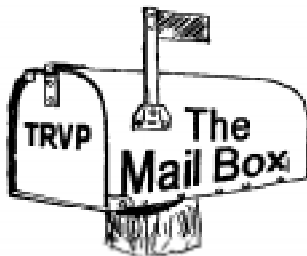
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Date: May, June, July 2004

**Akamatsu, Taeko** – d. 4/15/2004  
At Tek: 12/8/1960 to 4/16/1981  
**Anderson, Clifford** – d. 4/8/2000  
At Tek: 12/11/1978 to 1/6/1989  
**Armentrout, George** – d. 10/10/2003  
At Tek: 6/27/1973 to 1/5/1999  
**Bailey, Leon** – d. 5/27/2004  
At Tek: Not Available  
**Balsillie, Dougald** – d. 4/17/2004  
At Tek: 9/22/1969 to 4/17/1986  
**Bergendahl, Betty** – d. 4/21/2004  
At Tek: 1/21/1957 to 7/16-1980  
**Bringas, Elizabeth** – d. 7/23/2004  
At Tek: Not Available  
**Bjorkman, Nova** – d. 4/27/2004  
At Tek: 9/17/1980 to 5/26/1995  
**Brandt, Virginia** – d. 4/29/2004  
At Tek: 7/15/1961 to 9/26/1980  
**Brune, Georgia** – d. 6/17/2004  
At Tek: 10/13/1969 to 12/31/1990  
**Collins, Carolyn** – d. 5/2/2004  
At Tek: 8/19/1974 to 3/14/1988  
**Dickey, Jack** – d. 6/30/2004  
At Tek: 2/23/1959 to 7/29/1983  
**Genzer, Earl** – d. 7-22-2004  
At Tek: 8-22-1960 to 11/12/1976  
**Harrison, Owen** – d. 5/31/2004  
At Tek: 5/19/1958 to 7/19/1976  
**Heisler, Donald** – d. 5/23/2004  
At Tek: 1/5/1959 to 6/30/1989  
**Howard, Charlotte** – d. 4/12/2004  
At Tek: 2/27/1961 to 4/28/1995

**Holtznagel, Melvin** – d. 6/27/2004  
At Tek: 6/22/1959 to 2/17/1984  
**Hunsaker, Carol** – d. 5/15/2004  
At Tek: 11/30/1986 to 5/29/1995  
**Kneubuhl, John** – d. 12/19/2002  
At Tek: 7/5/1983 to 10/27/1989  
**Korpi, Jack** – d. 7/2/2004  
At Tek: 8/28/1956 to 7/11/1986  
**Lafreniere, Aimee** – d. 5/23/2004  
At Tek: 10/3/1966 to 3/18/1988  
**Laramie, Paul** – d. 4/16/2004  
At Tek: 7/1/1974 to 2/27/1998  
**Levens, Virginia** – d. 6/16/2004  
At Tek: 12/21/1949 to 9/17/1976  
**Lewis, Carmen** – d. 4/10/2004  
At Tek: 6/28/1973 to 6/11/1982  
**McEwen, Ruth** – d. 4/11/2004  
At Tek: 1/22/1962  
**McFadden, Margaret** – d. 7/3/2004  
At Tek: 9/24/1979 to 7/24/1991  
**Meyer, Nancy** – d. 4/9/2004  
At Tek: 6/21/1965 to 1-31-1984  
**Moeller, Walter** – d. 6/19/2004  
At Tek: 7/2/1973 to 7/29/1992  
**Morgan-Waters, Norma** – d. 5/13/2004  
At Tek: 6/6/1977 to 7/6/1987  
**Mulvey, John** – d. 4/17/2004  
At Tek: 11/18/1952 to 6/9/1976

**Nelson, Jon** – d. 5/2/2004  
At Tek: 2/2/1981  
**Oren, Horris** – d. 5/9/2004  
At Tek: 11/3/1969 to 5/31/1985  
**Osburn, Helen** – d. 6/18/2004  
At Tek: 2/23/1959 to 3/18/1977  
**Persons, George** – d. 5/2/2004  
At Tek: 12/19/1977 to 5/27/1994  
**Raun, Cecilia** – d. 4/17/2004  
At Tek: 1/23/1957 to 4/29/1983  
**Renton, Marcelle** – d. 7/7/2004  
At Tek: 8/1/1955 to 4/28/1978  
**Riedel, Margaret** – d. 5/27/2004  
At Tek: 9/16/1974 to 5/24/1990  
**Rude, Carlene** – d. 6/9/2004  
At Tek: 1/3/1977  
**Simpson, Bob** – d. 7/15/2004  
At Tek: 12/13/1976 to 6/21/1985  
**Snapp, Charles** – d. 12/24/2003  
At Tek: 5/24/1976 to 8/24/1987  
**Stewart, Elveatta** – d. 4/4/2004  
At Tek: 7/26/1975 to 8/28/1985  
**Sugden, Harriett** – d. 5/10/2004  
At Tek: 8/16/1965 to 11/28/1975  
**Taylor, Edwin** – d. 5/12/2004  
At Tek: 7/7/1952  
**Ward, Marion** – d. 5/10/2004  
At Tek: 7/22/1959 to 3/31/1978  
**Wood, Richard** – d. 5/19/2004  
At Tek: 7/16/1962 to 5/16/1991



**Ron Staples** – I worked at Tektronix from Feb 11, 1963 until Dec 31, 1999. (36.9 yrs) I was a part of the Xerox acquisition, and I am still working here in Wilsonville (now over 41 years total). For some reason a couple of my people here are considered "Tek retirees" (they are only in their 40's), and I am not. They always bring me their copy of the "Tek Retiree NEWS". I would love to be included. If you were to see my cube, you would know that I am a Tekie. I have aerial pictures of the Beaverton campus and the original Heerenveen campus. I also have coffee mugs and name tags scattered around. In fact, remember back when they gave everyone a milk glass coffee cup on their first day of work? Well, I still have mine sitting here. I would be happy to have access to the "NEWS" on line in order to save the time and expense associated with US Mail.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Dorothy J. McRenolds** – Thanks for the return newsletter, please keep me on your mailing list.

I lost my husband three years ago, so my Mexican trips have ceased. I still donate to the group we traveled with, six trips to different areas each time. Always to an area where we supplied school supplies, food, clothing, also personal items like tooth brushes, shampoos, and toothpaste.

We traveled with as many as 100 RV's. All trips were planned by our group. We paid for dental work, eye glasses, tuition for students to continue education. There were teachers with just a 9<sup>th</sup> grade education. Tuition was paid so they could get a high school education.

This group is part of a larger one called Escapes. We have members world wide. The chapter I belonged to is called Mexican Connection with about 800 members. I'm proud to have been part of a group that has a record for charity. We do not solicit from outside of our group.

Now I volunteer 4-8 hours a week for an organization called Pillar. This organization has many classes for senior citizens at a reasonable fee.

I also volunteer four hours a week for the Colorado Springs Visitor Center. I work with the public at both places and enjoy this very much.

Send some of your rain this way. We are so dry, three tenths of an inch in May and below snowfall for a number of years.

Fires are a big worry, there have already been several. Two years ago my son had to move for several weeks – pretty scary.

I miss friends from Tek.

**H.Derr Kleintob** – I am uncertain whom to contact with this message, so I'll try sending it to you.

My friend [R. Larry Fuller of Hermiston, OR] and I attended the Tek Retirees picnic last Saturday held in Shute Park in Hillsboro. Although we both are Tek retirees, neither of us had attended a Tek Retiree function since we left Tektronix. My retirement was in 1993 and Larry's sometime later.

However, we both appreciated the warmth & hospitality shown us by the other Tek Retirees who were present last Saturday. Although neither of us personally knew

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## Editorial

*By Louis Sowa*

Welcome Millie Scott to the TRVP staff. She will be responsible for maintaining the email list for those of you who have agreed to opt out of the hard copy TRN (see below). On the web TRN page past the usual page four, as I will be adding some pictures in most issues. This time look for pictures from the "Living on a Catamaran" article and from the Shute Park picnic.

Thanks to those of you who have submitted articles and letters. These contributions not only make my job easier, but more importantly have contributed to an improved TRN.

### Christmas Gathering

Mark your calendar and invite your friends and ex-coworkers to meet you at the annual Christmas gathering at:

Beaverton Elks  
3500 SW 104th

Beaverton, OR

Date: December 10, 2004

Time: 11:00 a.m. to ?

Organized by: Al Foleen

Phone: 503-651-2031

### Get your Newsletter on Line

A number of retirees are now getting their newsletter from our Web Site.

**[www.tekretirees.org](http://www.tekretirees.org).**

If you would like to join them send an email to Millie Scott at:

**[mlscott@easystreet.com](mailto:mlscott@easystreet.com)**

### Partners (continued from Page 2)

vides a unique opportunity to really get to know the people and the country you are visiting.

The programs planned in Costa Rica ensure that Oregon travelers stay with families in many different cities and towns of Costa Rica. While in these homes the Oregonians will sample local cuisine, visit national parks, swim at the fabulous beaches, see crocodiles and other exotic wildlife and make lots of new friends. Since travelers will be staying with families, the cost of this trip is very inexpensive and totally different from a guided tour. Oregon travelers get a true "insiders" look at this beautiful country.

Partners of the Americas was founded in 1964 and today is a private, non-profit organization which has enjoyed the endorsement of every U. S. president since John F. Kennedy as well as many government leaders throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. The Partnership works by pairing 45 U. S. States and the District of Columbia with 31 Latin American and Caribbean countries. This is the 17th year of the Oregon-Costa Rica senior cultural exchange program. If you would like more information about the national organization it can be

found at: [www.partners.net](http://www.partners.net)

If your readers are interested in this exciting look into the cultures of another country, they can contact Con Ruff in Portland at 503-282-1104.

### Mailbox (continued from Page 3)

any retiree there, that old Tek warmth was very much in evidence.

I have wanted to attend the picnics held in past years; but they were usually on Saturdays while I was always working on my job with the U.S. Post Office in Wilsonville, OR.

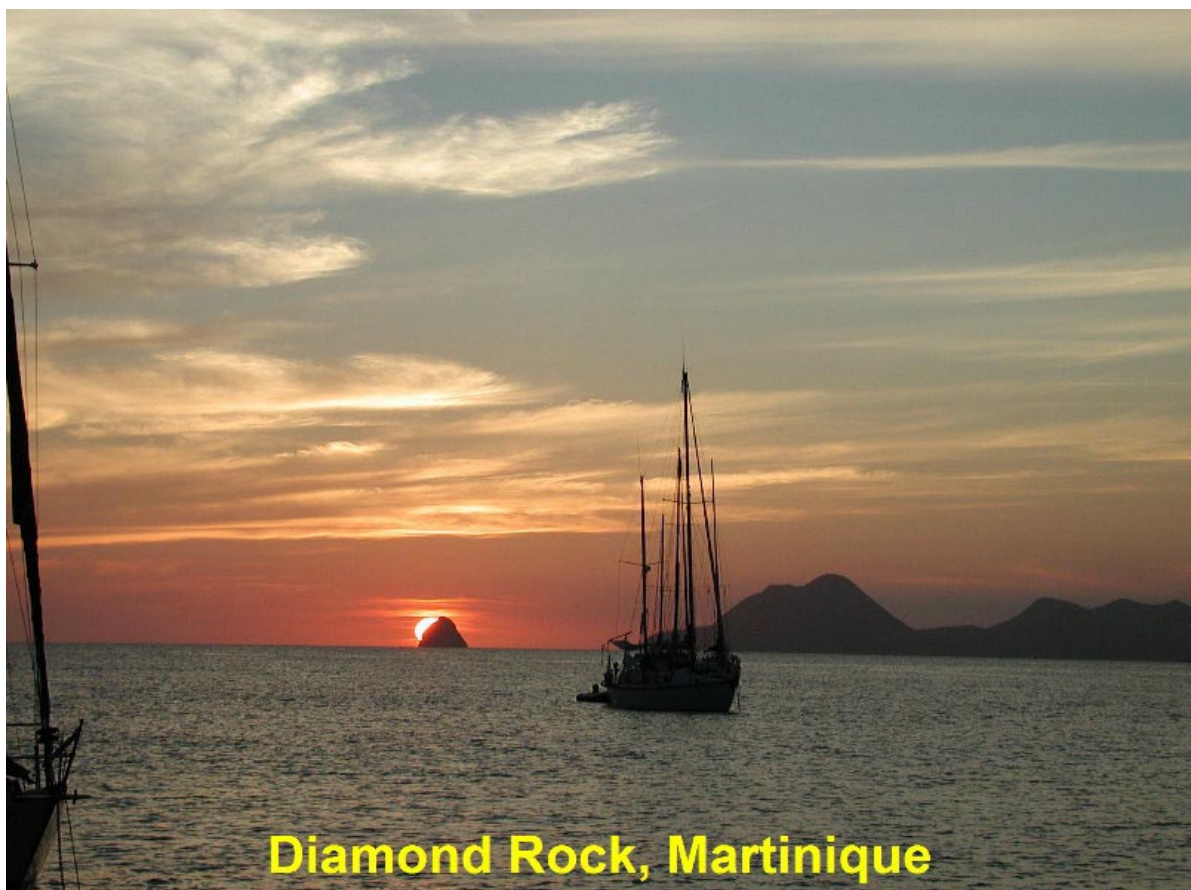
This year Larry and his wife Rebecca [a Tek RN in past years] were here in Hillsboro visiting with my wife Kathleen and me. I suggested to them that I thought the opportunity to attend the picnic was an added bonus to their visit and Larry agreed. That is why we attended.

Therefore, I want to express my thanks for the warm conversations, recollections, the excellent lunch and the time spent being with people of a like mind. For me it has been too long since I felt so comfortable with a group of Tekkies whom I didn't know.

Thanks again for a splendid afternoon!



## Some photos from the “Living on a Catamaran” article



## Shute Park Picnic in June





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A Newsletter for and by Tek Retirees

NOVEMBER 2004



## ***Bring magic into someone's life Get involved as a volunteer!***

Elders in Action is a powerful voice for local seniors in the Portland area. Find out more below about how your skills will ensure seniors continue to be a vibrant part in their communities.

### **ELDERS IN ACTION COMMISSION:** *"We tackle important issues."*

The Commission is the 31 member citizen advisory group that advises Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services, the Multnomah County, and the City of Portland on the concerns and needs of older adults in our community. With strong advocacy, this dynamic group has shaped the aging policy on all levels. The Commission meets the third Wednesday of the month from 1:00pm- 3:30pm and members have numerous opportunities to connect with public officials. Current action issues are: *Revenue Reform, Walkable Neighborhoods, Public Transportation.*

### **ELDER FRIENDLY EVALUATORS:**

*"Elder Friendly Means Business Cares!"*

**Business Evaluators:** Volunteers 60 years or older learn how to evaluate local businesses for their "Elder Friendliness" and advise managers on how to better serve the older customer. This opportunity is perfect for someone who likes to shop, explore new businesses, and make their own schedule. Some of the things you will be trained to look for: Are price tags visible? Is the telephone system easy to use? Is customer service available when needed?

**Training Date:** Monday, February 14, 2005  
9:30 AM – 12:00 NOON

**Location:** Elders in Action, 501 SW Washington St., Portland, OR

**Web Evaluators:** If you are 60 or older and would like to volunteer from the conven-

nience of your home, become a Web Evaluator! Help improve web access for older adults, accept assignments as your schedule allows. Some of the things you will be trained to look for: Are fonts large enough? Is navigation easy to use? Is there a contact number?

### **Ombudsman Services:** *"We solve problems"*

This unique program trains volunteers to become Ombudsman and Community Educators and provide our services and programs in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties.

Ombudsman provide individual problem-solving assistance, advocacy, and emotional support to seniors and persons with disabilities in the areas of: housing, health care, and elder crime and abuse.

*Community Educators help seniors avoid becoming victims of Scams, Fraud and other Bad Stuff. ID Theft, Predatory Lending, Medicare Fraud, Construction Fraud, and Breast Health and Diabetes Awareness are areas addressed, preparing you to effectively reach the community.*

Volunteers receive 32 hours of training and make a commitment of 8–10 hours / mo.

### **Ombudsman Training:**

(Held at Elders in Action in Portland)

March 2005

### **Community Education:**

March 2005

### **2004 Healthy Changes for Living with Diabetes Group Leader Training**

Become a Group Leader through our *Healthy Changes for Living with Diabetes* program to assist with weekly diabetes self-management groups for people 55+.

**Training:** March 2 & 3, 2005

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Aging Awareness Training: Thursday,  
January 13, 2005 – 4 hours**

Volunteers will learn how to educate area employees about the unique needs of older adults and provide tools to improve their ability to communicate and provide improved services for seniors.

### **OFFICE VOLUNTEER**

We need your part-time support in our office during busy times, or when your schedule allows! Answer phones, help visitors access resources and take on your own clerical projects. Monthly trainings are available to learn and share what you know.

Contact Elders in Action at 503-823-5269 or [www.eldersaction.org](http://www.eldersaction.org) for an application, class schedule updates or additional information.

## **Correction to ISEF article in the August 2004 Newsletter**

*By John Burgess*

Thanks for your fine article titled "ISEF May 9-15, 2004", on the front page of your August 2004 newsletter.

I would like to point out a correction that needs to be made to your article, however.

The article says, "A team from Beaverton Technical High School won a top award for their fiber optic project." The correction is that there is no school named "Beaverton Technical High School", though that is an accurate description of the SST (School of Science and Technology) program at Merlo Station High School in the Beaverton School district. Merlo Station High School is a "magnet" high school offering a variety of programs for students with special abilities and needs. The SST program is for

*(See ISEF Continued on page 2)*

## **Christmas Gathering at Beaverton Elks**

*Come one, come all and have a grand time at the Christmas Gathering. All previous Tek employees & significant others are welcome.*

*Beaverton Elks*

*3500 SW 104th*

*Beaverton, Oregon*

*December 10, 2004*

*Time: 11:00 a.m. to ???*

*Organized by: Al Foleen*

*Phone: 503-651-2031*

## ISEF (continued from page 1)

top-notch students with special interests and abilities in science and technology. It is this program that Chris Verlinden and Phil Munoz attend and created the award-winning fiber optic project to which you refer.

John Burgess is the father of an SST student.

## Cruise Out of Seattle

By Ray Arnette

My wife and I really enjoy cruising, but we dread having to fly to the port of embarkation. The time and hassle of going through airport security is enough that we usually depart an extra day early just to make sure we arrive with our luggage in time to board the ship. Airport delays and lost luggage are not the way to start a vacation. What would be ideal is to be able to take ground transportation to the ship. This spring we were delighted to discover that several cruise lines were sailing out of Seattle. We investigated the cruises being offered and found an 18-day trip going to Hawaii. We had been saying for years that we would someday go to Hawaii and this seemed to be the perfect time.

This cruise was ideal for us. The first six days the ship departed Seattle, went to Vancouver, BC where more passengers boarded, and then sailed to the big island, Hawaii. The next six days were spent visiting four islands (Hawaii, Kauai, Maui and Oahu). The last six days was the return trip to Seattle. For a first time visitor to the islands, this was a great way to see four islands without having to pack and unpack on each island hop. On a cruise, you take your hotel with you. The ship sailed at night, arriving in the next port around daybreak. This gave us all day to visit that island, go on tours and of course shop for gifts and souvenirs. We had one day each on Kauai and Maui, and two days each on Oahu and Hawaii. The six-day voyages both coming and going, gave us plenty of time to rest and relax, and become acquainted with other passengers. Most of the passengers were from the Pacific Northwest and yes, I did meet a lady who worked at Tek for 30 years. No matter where I travel to, I almost always bump into a Tekkie.

We had a lot of fun on this trip, but I am not going to give you a travelogue on Hawaii. My intent is to tell you about the cruise benefits of sailing out of Seattle. Living in the greater Portland area, it took us three hours by car from our front door to Terminal 30 in Seattle where our ship docked. We didn't have to go a day early; we went the day of our departure (the ship sailed at

5 pm.). We didn't have to pay airfare or use frequent flier miles. Terminal 30 has two parking lots right on the pier. No transfers are required. The cost to park is \$10 per day. The total parking fee for our trip of \$180 was more than offset by the savings of not having to fly. But the best part was leaving home and in less than four hours, driving up to the terminal, parking and boarding the ship. Likewise upon our return, we disembarked from the ship, went through customs, got in our car and drove home. No airport hassles, no lost luggage, no transfers, and no missed connections. We saved time and money and arrived without the aggravation associated with airports.

If you like to cruise, I highly recommend a cruise out of Seattle. There are at least three cruise companies booking cruises from Seattle - Holland America, Princess and Norwegian. In the summer most of the cruises go to Alaska. However, in the spring and fall when the cruise companies are re-deploying their ships from the Caribbean to Alaska, or vice-versa, they run specialty cruises like our Hawaiian cruise. Of course if you are interested in an Alaska cruise, then sailing out of Seattle is the only way to fly (or not)!

## Bicycling the Olympic Peninsula

By Louis Sowa

I belong to an outdoor club The Trails Club of Oregon. This was traditionally a hiking club; however we now do a number of other activities including bicycling. This year we decided to do a ride around the Olympic Peninsula.

There were six of us, with Frank Tucker and myself representing ex-Tek employees. We were all retired and over age 63. We decided to have a sag wagon and take turns driving one day. We took my pickup which accommodated the six of us, our bikes and all our gear. We camped out, made our own breakfasts and lunches, then ate dinner at a local restaurant. We rode from 28 to over 60 miles per day on the days we rode. We took one day off from biking and hiked in the Temperate Rain Forest, which was a great experience. We, also, did some shorter hikes in the afternoons after riding.

We spent the second night in the backyard of Neil and Marsha Robin. You may recognize Neil as being the web master for our website. Neil and Marsha live on the water a little West of Port Angeles. Neil and I have been collaborating on the website without having actually met. It was a pleasure to finally meet and they were able to have dinner with us that evening. We had a bonfire in their backyard after returning from dinner.

Most of the roads were OK for bikes; however there is a stretch near Lake Crescent that has very little shoulder. Since we were a small group we were able to decide each evening the plan for the next day. We took the pickup to town for dinner except when we were close enough to walk. It gets dark too early in late September to bike to town in the evening.

Two-thirds of the temperate rain forest in the world is from Southern Alaska to Northern California. If you haven't spent time on the west side of the Olympic Peninsula I would strongly recommend it, whether by bike or car. The rainfall is over 100 inches per year; we were fortunate to have great weather with mostly sunny days. If you have access to the web check out the color pictures in the online version of the TRN on [www.tekretirees.org](http://www.tekretirees.org)



## Publication Procedure

By Peggy Jo Berg

For the most part, I have enjoyed my involvement in TRVP and developing and publishing the quarterly Tek Retiree Newsletter as much as I enjoyed my twenty five years in TekGraphics. I enjoy it most when things go fairly smoothly. The month-late August issue was a good example of an un-smooth project and is the reason for this lament.

Believing that all was going well, I left the state to host a family gathering at our summer home on the Stillaguamish River in Washington.

The Editor, Louis Sowa, and I had the August issue completed on time and ready for the sporty publishing and mailing process. Proofs are sent to Tek for approval

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## Retiree Deaths

Date: Aug, Sep, Oct, 2004

**Abel, Harold** – d. 8/27/2004

At Tek: 3/30/1959 to 1/5/1976

**Balaquer, Velia** – d. 9/2/2004

At Tek: not available

**Blackburn, Luanna** – d. 8/28/2004

At Tek: 9/26/1966 to 3/31/1983

**Bockelman, Charles** – d. 7/23/2004

At Tek: 6/1/1978 to 1/24/2000

**Brandt, William** – d. 9/1/2004

At Tek: 8/13/1979 to 5/27/1994

**Brown, Ruth** – d. 11/24/2003

At Tek: 3/19/1979 to 10/5/1999

**Caris, Catherine** – d. 8/12/2004

At Tek: 10/19/1969 to 1/9/1981

**Charlet, Helen** – d. 10/1/2004

At Tek: 5/12/1969 to 8/10/1990

**Daniel, Roscoe** – d. 8/7/2004

At Tek: 3/26/1951 to 6/25/1982

**East, James** – d. 8/18/2004

At Tek: 9/26/1966 to 12/1/1983

**Epperson, Martha** – d. 9/17/2004

At Tek: 5/7/1956 to 12/31/1974

**Farrens, Della** – d. 7/26/2004

At Tek: 11/3/1958 to 4/29/1983

**Gellerup, Daniel** – d. 8/7/2004

At Tek: 7/17/1978 to 1/7/1991

**Grieshaber, Alma** – d. 7/20/2004

At Tek: 1/30/1978 to 4/10/1987

**Gulbranson, Lee** – d. 9/2/2004

At Tek: 4/10/1978 to 6/20/1986

**Hegele, W.** – d. 9/18/2004

At Tek: 4/3/1961 to 1/30/1975

**Jungels, Marie** – d. 9/11/2004

At Tek: 1/11/1956 to n/a

**Lewis, Boyd** – d. 9/4/2004

At Tek: 12/5/1955 to 4/29/1983

**Lowry, Ronald** – d. 9/27/2004

At Tek: 3/16/1959 to 4/29/1983

**Maans, Ranjit** – d. 9/26/2004

At Tek: 4/11/1983 to n/a

**Milkowski, Donald** – d. 8-13-2004

At Tek: 9-4-1984 to 6-14-1996

**Mc Coy, Daniel** – d. 7/14/2004

At Tek: 7/2/1984 to 4/11/1997

**Mc Coy, Franklin** – d. 9/24/2004

At Tek: not available

**Mortier, Georgia** – d. 8/20/2004

At Tek: 9/8/1975 to 4/11/1986

**Oberst, Carl** – d. 8/11/2004

At Tek: 3/18/1959 to 11/1/1981

**Olson, Eleanor** – d. 8/2/2004

At Tek: 4/7/1966 to 8/26/1988

**Palin, Bernice** – d. 8/16/2004

At Tek: 4/9/1973 to 1/17/1986

**Prijmak, Katherina** – d. 9/27/2004

At Tek: 10/4/1976 to 11/30/1984

**Scherr, Laverne** – d. 10/18/2004

At Tek: 12/19/1956 to 4/2/1982

**Schlagel, Eva** – d. 10/12/2004

At Tek: 2/2/1959 to n/a

**Scott, Anna** – d. 5/21/2003

At Tek: 1/26/1959 to 6/19/1970

**Sharp, Joan** – d. 9/9/2004

At Tek: 9/25/1967 to 8/31/1988

**Stephenson, Bill** – d. 8/7/2004

At Tek: 10/11/1976 to 8/31/1988

**Thompson, Roy** – d. 10/5/2004

At Tek: 11/8/1965 to 7/31/1992

**Tomlinson, Rober** – d. 8/9/2004

At Tek: 4/1/1974 to n/a

**Van Dyke, Arthur** – d. 10/15/2004

At Tek: 9/17/1962 to 12/30/1988

**Vilhauer, Virginia** – d. 9/15/2004

At Tek: 9/20/1965 to n/a

**Walker, Margaret** – d. 10/6/2004

At Tek: 3/7/1977 to 8/22/1986

**Wallace, Lynne** – d. 9-9-2004

At Tek: 10-23-1974 to n/a

## TekWeek 25 Years Ago

July 27, 1979

### August 1: Traditional holiday by Bradley Norris-Facilities

Lammas is possibly the least known of our traditional holidays. It is August 1, and is the day that the Saxons consecrated bread made from the first of the harvest. Rural places in Britain today sometimes hold picnics in a common pasture on this day.

The Celts called the day Lughnasadh, and it was the first day of the quarter called Foghamhar. They held outdoor contests and the energy expended was believed to give the sun god new life for the next year.

Lammas may well be the ultimate origin of the American custom of holding fairs at this time of year.

Lammas may be found in the most dictionaries and translates as "loaf mass."

August 31, 1979

### Thirty-one ITI ideas will save \$42,887

A total of 31 employee ideas were approved during Week 34 (Aug. 20-24) through the

Improvement Through Involvement (ITI) program at Tek locations in Beaverton, Wilsonville, and Vancouver with total savings of \$41,887.35.

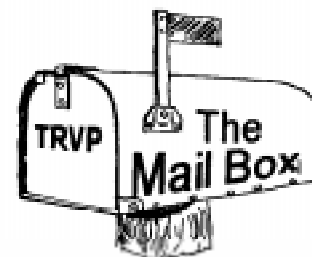
Debbie Kauffman (ITI) said two ideas last week in Donna Harwood Martyn's Camera Department will save \$8,456 annually.

The QC Test Group consisting of Jerry Wines, Tom Harshman, Craig Bonacker and Vuthy Tep developed a new test procedure to use as a reference system and assist in training.

Another Camera Group of Leslie Willard, Lucie Hopp, Darany Tith and Sheila Sutton developed new detailed, step-by-step procedures to use as a training tool.

Melba Herzberg in Dale LeBarron's ECB Electrical Test at Wilsonville suggested installation of a pot shaft during the last board assembly operation which will greatly reduce damage from the transportation and handling and save \$2,946.19 annually.

A total of 267 ideas have been approved since fiscal year 000 began for a dollar savings of \$4,331,201. Total dollars saved since Tek's ITI program began back in October 1976 is now \$1,966,329.



**Karen Nieuwendorp** – (daughter of W. Eugene (Happy) Hegele): Just wanted to let you know of my Dads passing on Sept. 18, 2004 at 92 ½. He so enjoyed having lunch last summer with the retirees he had worked with. I had the privilege of bringing him down for it. He was a joy and blessing to be with at anytime!

We want to thank Karen for her note, the service information and the very interesting story of his life.

**Jay Bureson** – I am retiring this Friday and at the end of October I will be moving to Fiji where I have built a house. I would like to continue to receive the Tek Retiree Newsletter if possible.

I plan on doing lots of diving, underwater photography, growing orchids, sitting on the beach, and travel. We have several trips already planned.

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## Editorial

In this issue we have two vacation articles. We would like to hear from more of you about what interesting activities you are up to if for fun or maybe an interesting hobby.

There are at least two purposes in publishing a TRN. One is to provide ideas and opportunities for now and the future. Another is to connect to our past, particularly that associated with Tektronix; there are a number of activities such as the gatherings at the Elks and the Shute Park Picnic in June. If you haven't attended any these events in the past and are able I hope you will join other retired Tekers at one of these functions.

Below is a picture of Frank Tucker, Louis Sowa (editor) and Neil Robin (webmaster.) See the web version for more (color) pictures.



## Procedure (continued from page 3)

and some occasional editing. When it is returned, changes or corrections are made as required, then the digital file is sent to the printer. The printer delivers printed copies to the mailing service and our office. The mailing service processes the file, requests postage and eventually everything goes into the mail.

It is not uncommon to have an unforeseen delay or two in the process, but to have delays in nearly all steps is unusual. In August the latter seemed to be the case.

I went in the day the copies were delivered to Tektronix in order to mail out the Foreign (30 copies) and Supplemental copies (200 copies). A mailing service addresses and mails another 9400 copies. In the end we were a month late. We constantly work to improve the process and get them out in the month they are due.

Thanks for your positive feedback on the newsletter. It gives us the encouragement we need to keep them coming. If you have a computer, be sure to look at the online version where we are able to provide color photographs from time to time. Since the online version requires less production steps than the printed version it is available to those who have computer access

approximately two weeks earlier. If you have not done so already check it out at:

[www.tekretirees.org](http://www.tekretirees.org)

If you wish to be notified when the Web Page version is available and remove your name from the snail mail version send an email to Millie Scott at:

[mlscott@easystreet.com](mailto:mlscott@easystreet.com)

(With some words and music by George Smith, her assistant for the moment.)

## Calendar

### Marconi's Cronies

Meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month:  
12:00 a.m.

at J.J.North's Buffet Restaurant  
Northeast Halsey at 105th  
Portland, OR

Contact: Jack Riley for details  
Phone: 503-235-5267

### CRT Luncheons

3rd Tuesday of each month at 11:30 AM  
at the Home Town Buffet located at  
13500 SW Pacific Highway in Tigard, OR

Contact: Jack Neff for details  
1301 East Fulton St., Apt. 241  
Newberg, OR 97132-1870  
Phone: 503-538-5130



**Some Pictures from the  
Olympic Peninsula Bike Ride**

