

Tek Retiree NEWS

Tektronix
Retiree
Volunteer
Program



A Newsletter for and by Tek Retirees

July 1998

Spotlight

on

Bob Aguirre

Bob is a retired Tektronix engineer, who last year took on the awesome task of being Tek's loaned Executive for the annual United Way Campaign and did an excellent job. His efforts led to record-setting contributions from the eighty architectural and engineering firms he was assigned to contact. His duties included making contact with representatives of the firms to set up meetings, send out introductory letters, make presentations, collect contributions, and write thank you letters.



Bob put in a busy September, October, and November and was a model representative for Tektronix. He encourages retirees interested in this type of volunteer assignment to contact Dick Borts or Jess Gard at TRVP, 627-4056. The 1998 Campaign will soon get underway and we are looking for representation for Tektronix. Bob enjoyed his assignment and looks forward to participating again in 1999 perhaps.

In addition to his work with the United Way, Bob puts in 120 hours with the Boy Scouts, 25 hours a month with the Rotary Club and 20 hours a month with Washington County SALT. Bob has set a good example for TRVP and he is certainly a great asset and a credit to our volunteer community. Thanks, Bob!

Volunteer Opportunities

Contact TRVP at 627-4056

- Nike World Masters Games, August 9-22, 1998. A variety of opportunities available.
- Does being a member of a non-profit Board of Directors sound interesting to you? Many local non-profits are looking for leadership talent.
- Drivers are needed to provide transportation for seniors needing rides to doctor appointments, etc.
- Craft leaders are needed at several locations throughout our area.
- Local Park & Recreation departments are looking for volunteers to help with summer activities.
- How are your writing skills? We have requests for volunteers to help with grant request writing.
- Northwest Wheelchair Athletic Association is looking for volunteer drivers, performers, recreation assistants, photographers, referees, food preparation and serving help, and sports instructors.

Update on listserv

John Gates, as we previously announced, has instituted an Internet site called **listserv**. Currently we have 60 subscribers and a potential for about 200, so we decided to try publishing our newsletter through his web site. Instructions for viewing the newsletter will appear on John's web page. The May issue is now available on line. Here are the URLs or names/addresses currently controlled by John:

<http://www.eskimo.com/~gatesj/tek.html>

the web page, contains all the news items, messages from other retirees, the Tek Retiree News and others.

gatesja-list-request@eskimo.com

for subscribing (or unsubscribing) to listserv.

gatesja-list@eskimo.com

to post an email to all other subscribers (broadcast).

gatesj@edmonds.wednet.edu

John's primary address.

gatesj@eskimo.com John's secondary address.

Calendar

CRT Luncheons

3rd Thursday of every month at 11:30
Contact Jack Neff at 20105 NE King's Grade,
Newberg, OR 97132. Phone: 503-538-5130.

TRVP Goals and Activities

The Tektronix Retiree Volunteer Program is a program FOR Tektronix Retirees and it is run BY Tektronix Retirees. Currently the program has 19 retirees working in the office calling other retirees, creating and mailing cards to homebound retirees, working on the database, working with nonprofit organizations in creating TRVP-initiated projects, and working on the bi-monthly newsletter. TRVP's membership is at 230 retirees who donate in excess of 4,000 hours/month. The value of that contribution of time and talent translates into a gift exceeding \$659,000 yearly according to the Points of Light Foundation in Washington, DC. Tektronix retirees and their spouses are making a difference and improving the health of our communities. We thank you.

One of the goals of this program is to contact each Tektronix retiree at least once a year to see how they're doing and if they receive the newsletter. We also ask if they are currently involved in community service. The intent of our call is not to ask retirees to do more community service. If you're already involved in the community, we invite you to be a part of our program. If you're not involved, we invite you to come to the office, meet with the staff, have lunch, and see what we're all about. We have the capability of matching your interests with hundreds of volunteer opportunities. Our goal is to help you find a volunteer assignment that meets your needs exactly. In addition to the database of opportunities, TRVP has initiated some projects of their own: K-12; Assistive Technology, Oregon Food Bank, Tax Aide, Handy Helpers, Pals Program, etc. Whatever activity sounds interesting to you will put you in touch with other fellow retirees from Tektronix.

Another of the wonderful things about retirement is that YOU now decide how you will spend your time. Retirees have a treasure chest of talents and skills to share with our community. We know that getting involved benefits the community and the agency as well as the retiree. Studies have shown that retirees who are active in their community, are happier and healthier and have a positive quality of life. Come join your friends!

The TRVP office is open Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The telephone number is 627-4056.

K-12 Project Up and Running

TRVP's K-12 project team met with Sandy Mueller and Carol Tannenbaum, 7th & 8th grade science teachers at Meadow Park Middle School. Project team members (Tek retirees) attending were Jim Averill, Warren Beals, Don Clifford, George Edens, Jack Neff, and Ed Srebnik. Retirees Don Kephart and Birgit Hanssen also participate in the project. The meeting focused on how we can best help Sandy Mueller in her class science laboratory program. We used the balance of the

school year to "get to know each other" and plan next year's activities, and to help the class with their work on projects for the June Science Fair. We have provided two aides each week to assist the student teams to plan and implement their projects, always with emphasis on the Scientific Method.

TRVP's first project with the Meadowpark Middle School culminated in the Science Fair, which was held on last June 4th and was deemed both successful and exciting. The TRVP team worked with Mrs. Sandy Mueller's 8th grade science class for six weeks helping the students with their projects which ran the gamut from Elaine Hang's project testing the strength of various bridge designs to why mold forms on bread. One of the most exciting projects is an operating wind tunnel built by one of Mrs. Mueller's students. TRVP contributed four \$25.00 OMSI gift certificates to be awarded to deserving students.

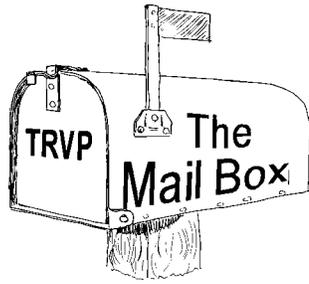
This is an auspicious beginning. Next fall we will continue to work at Meadow Park, and we will also start a project with Jo Rossman at Ridgewood School. Jo is the wife of a former Tek employee, Bob Rossman. We need additional team members to work as "aides" in their science program.

We are looking for retirees who have an interest in working on building "models" for science project demonstrations. The time demand is only about two hours every other week, and we plan to have backup aides to cover while team members are on vacation or otherwise not available. High-school level science is all the background needed. In addition, we need volunteers with either mechanical or electrical background to work on laboratory kits and models to be used in class demonstrations. It's a lot of fun, and we hope our involvement will help to strengthen the students' interest in science. For information: contact either Don Clifford at 627-4056 or Ed Srebnik at 636-9885.

**K-12: Kindergarten through the 12th Grade*



Among those attending the Science Fair at Meadow Park School were (L-R) George Edens, Sandy Mueller and Mr. Jamsa (teachers), Elaine Hang (student), Ed Srebnick, Don Clifford, and Birgit Hanssen.



George and Elizabeth Smith write to thank Ron and Pat Lowry for another successful Tek Retiree reunion at the Elks in May. It was organized by Ron and Pat and other retirees without company sponsorship. It was devoted to the warmth and friendship of all us retirees who treasure the opportunity to meet with the folks they worked with — those good people who helped make Tektronix as successful as it was and is.

Ruth Van Den Heede, Vancouver, sends a **BIG Thank You** for our program and for the newsletter. She is especially grateful for the “Obit” report, where she found that one of her dear co-workers had passed away. [We have a hunch that the list of deaths is one of the more popular items in the paper, especially for those of us whose friends continue to grow old along with us.]

Erma Wolever, Kalama, says that she and her husband Dick enjoy our little paper and feels she has reason to join the “contest” of having the most relations at Tek, and to respond to her friend Lotus Gordon. She says “My husband, mother-in-law, two brothers-in-law, a sister-in-law, sister, son, daughter, and ex-son-in-law [all worked at Tek]. Note: The editor denies that he will judge this “contest,” but let’s keep it alive. Our prize and reward is the reunion of old friends.

Mary Sohlstrom, a good buddy, emailed us partly to report on Logan Bellville, one of the early founders of Tektronix. He is 89 and likes to get mail and e-mail. We have his sanction to publish his address, which is Logan Belleville, 13201 NE Salmon Creek Ave., Vancouver, WA 98686. His email address is loganb@pacifier.com

Lets send some e-mail or snail mail to him to let him know that we haven’t forgotten him.

Address Change?

We at TRVP still get a few requests to record your new addresses. No can do! A note or post office notification card to us only causes momentary confusion among our staff.

Retirees who have had a change of address must send it along with their Social Security number and signature to: Tektronix Address Management Center, 1220 SW Morrison, Suite #300, Portland, OR 97205-2222.

The Good Old Days

There Are Smiles...

By Jennie Lou Werlein

I had just started to work in CRT, while a long-time friend of mine worked in 50. I would occasionally use the bridge and see these “suits” going the other way. Their faces long as if they were carrying bad news to the boss. One of them was a very nice looking guy.

One day I met him crossing the bridge by himself so I teased him about not smiling. Every time after that I’d get a smile. It was nice. The next Tek Week had a photo of him on the front page. It was Tek President Earl Wantland himself. I nearly choked. The next time I saw him I apologized profusely. He told me that I didn’t need to worry. He had enjoyed the tip and that he smiled more now.

Wind River Mining Stockholders

All owners of stock in Wind River Mining stock are asked to contact the office at PO 30715, Portland, 97294-3715. The company has lost track of some stockholders and their addresses over the last several years and need to know where to contact either the original owners or their heirs in order to distribute dividends. This information was submitted by Sherman Bell, who says a large number of Tek and retirees still hold stock.

Reunion Resounding Success

Only the grumpiest grump would not have had a great time at the Tek Retiree party at the Elks on last May 16. Although the attendance was smaller than hoped for, it still exceeded last year’s by a good margin. And somehow this one clicked; everybody seemed to enjoy themselves and left happy that they came. You never saw such a frenzy of hugging. Wonderful.



Part of the Merry Crowd at the Elks

Let’s hope that Pat and Ron Lowry, to whom we owe everything, can muster the will and courage to do it again next year. Ron and Pat asked us to thank all the willing helpers for taking care of all those niggling details for them.

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Editorial Notes

The last paper got out about a week late, or at least a week later than we'd planned. I guess I'll blame it on an unusual plague of distractions, too many to mention.

Three of our pictures for the Recognition Party disappeared while I was otherwise distracted, leaving me with only computer-scanned images to work with instead of nicely screened halftones. Hence the terrible reproductions in the left-hand column. I am still trying to make decent halftones on the computer, but I have obviously failed miserably. My apologies to those whose faces we have defaced; Warren hasn't near that depth of tan yet.

Discount Program to Include Retirees

In September Tektronix will unveil the details of a new Discount Program being offered to employees AND retirees. The Program will enable employees and retirees to purchase a variety of goods and services at a discount price. Watch for more details!

TRVP Elections

TRVP's Management Board held its first meeting today and elected an Executive Committee. They are: Interim Chair, Sharon Beatty; Vice-Chair, Warren Collier; Vice-Chair Recruiting, Harry Tanielian; and Secretary, Jim Manuel.

The Management Board is primarily responsible for determining policies, objectives and strategies of TRVP. The Executive Committee will act for the Board when priority decisions or time constraints require immediate policy or procedural decisions.

Recent Retirees *(March 31 thru June 01)*

Ator, Patrick 5-29-98	Lund, Marilyn F. 4-10-98
Berquist, Adele F. 4-30-98	Nash, Michael C. 5-29-98
Chang, Julie K. 5-29-98	Oliver, James E. 4-01-98
Eriksen, Joern B. 4-01-98	Passwaters, Michael 5-01-98
Fesczenko, Herminia G. 5-29-98	Scheler Jr., George C. 5-29-98
Fox, Gerald L. 4-03-98	Skelton, Jo Ann 4-03-98
Johnson, Garry R. 5-29-98	Snyder, Lee R. 5-29-98
Kane, Robert E. 4-17-98	Truong, Minh V. 5-29-98

I think that I shall never see
A billboard lovely as a tree.
Indeed, unless the billboards fall,
I'll never see a tree at all. *Ogden Nash*

Retiree Deaths

(April through May 1998)

O'Brien, Pansy, - d. 04/01/98
At Tek 10/15/51 to 10/15/76
Pierson, Oscar F. - d. 04/01/98
At Tek 11/06/65 to 08/05/78
Kassebaum, James F. - d. 04/02/98
At Tek 10/11/65 to 07/11/86
Caldwell, Velma A. - d. 04/07/98
At Tek 02/27/56 to 02/28/69

Thome, Helen - d. 04/08/98
At Tek 03/21/51 to 12/25/81
Roussos, George S. - d. 04/09/98
At Tek 07/12/51 to 05/15/90
Benstead, Aubrey - d. 04/12/98
At Tek 09/07/71 to 05/30/89
Cereghino, Marguerite - d. 04/18/98
At Tek 06/13/77 to 07/15/83
Jazowick Jr, Frank A. - d. 05/18/98
Started Tek 08/28/67

Mack, Richard W. - d. 04/20/98
At Tek 08/23/65 to 08/19/83
Poe, Edna L. - d. 04/21/98
At Tek 10/01/73 to 07/17/81
Scriven, Linda K. - d. 04/28/98
At Tek 04/14/59 to 04/07/82
Menefee, Richard A. - d. 05/17/98
Started Tek 01/07/98