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A Newsletter for and by Tek Retirees

FEBRUARY 2005



Cliff Moulton

Cliff Moulton was a former Tektronix engineer and key employee, from 1951 to 1962, and 1981 to 1991. He is currently owner of Funding Northwest, working with homeowners to overcome home mortgage foreclosure problems.

Cliff serves as board member for The Good Neighbor Center, a local homeless shelter with 36 beds in Tigard. Stated purpose is "The Good Neighbor Center is dedicated to providing safe temporary housing and supportive services to empower individuals and families to be self-sufficient." The Good Neighbor Center serves those who need a hand up, not a hand out, with a current staff of nine full-time employees. The center has operated for about five years, turning around many lives. It has no food budget. All of the food is donated. You can visit: www.goodneighborcenter.org to access weekly needs and find opportunities to volunteer.

You probably know voters removed the county safety levy support November 2, 2004. As a result, GNC expects to suffer about \$200,000 lost annual support for stabilizing these homeless here in Washington County. GNC depends greatly upon the community for labor and materials. If you are interested in supporting this group the contacts are (503) 443-6084 Volunteer Coordinator Cece Horn x224 or Executive Director Sydney Sherwood x228. The GNC address is 11130 SW Greenburg Road, Tigard OR 97223.

55-Alive Class Scheduled

To register for a 55-Alive class (two-4 hour sessions), taught by Bruce Hollister, call the TRVP office at 503-627-4056. The fee is \$10.00 per person. Taking the class may qualify you for a discount on your car insurance.

Date: April 14 & 15, 2005

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

Location: Building 58, Conf. Rm. 1NH13

Tektronix Creates an Author

By: Shirley Patterson-Wallace



The only thing I had on my mind that late afternoon in the fall of 1980, was a hamburger. I had no idea that while I was ravenously awaiting my turn to order, the conversation between two individuals in front of me would alter my life.

My stomach rumbled, and the fear of emitting a hungry growl threatened as the smells of the grill reached my nostrils. However, I couldn't help but overhear the matter being discussed by the two individuals ahead of me. Soon my hunger was subdued as I took in the subject being chatted about—job openings at a company called Tektronix. Within a week of hearing about available employment with Tek, I was hired.

Through the years, my job title changed due to promotions, but it wasn't until I was tossed into the job as Building 08's newsletter writer/editor that my life took a new direction.

Evidently, the position had been vacated rather quickly, and without much warning. It was not a matter of talent that landed me the job, but more realistically my close proximity to a computer. The thought of others reading what I had to say made my already shattered nerves horror-struck. Nonetheless, I took a deep breath after surmising my predicament and decided to make the best of it.

Building 08 was spinning off from Tektronix and would soon be known as TriQuest. Those individuals who decided to stay with Tek would have to seek new jobs within the original organization. One of my first assignments was to interview such an individual in order to get their feelings on the transition. As it turned out, the editor of the corporate office in Beaverton read my article and gave me such praise that I took a second look at my goals in life. A new gift had been discovered within me—writing! And to think, it all started with the urge for a hamburger!

So, what have I been doing since I left Tektronix in 1990? I have been spending a great deal of time with grandchildren and working on several writing projects, one of which is now a published novel based on a true story. If you are interested, you can go to barnes&noble.com and look for "Milla's Villa." A second novel for young adults called "The Forkyped," is due out this spring.

When I look back, I realize what a truly wonderful company Tektronix was to me. It not only granted me many opportunities to grow in the world of business but also as an individual. I shall be forever grateful.

Annual Spring Tek Reunion

By: Marge Livermore

The annual Tek spring gathering is scheduled to take place:

May 21, 2005

Time: 3:00 p.m. to ????

at the

Beaverton Elks

3500 SW 104th

Beaverton, Oregon 97005

Again we will be requesting a \$2 donation to help defray some of the expense. Many people donate not only their time, and money but a great deal of energy so we can all enjoy meeting up with old friends and making new ones. If you are in touch with other former Teks, pass the word. If there are any questions, please email me at: marge.livermore@gte.net

Grand Circle Tour – 2004

EGYPT

By Judy Watkins

What surprised me most?

The first thing we noticed when arriving in Cairo and throughout the country was the military presence. In 1997 terrorists caused the death of 70 tourists at the temple of Queen Hatshepsut near Luxor and the tourist trade dropped off significantly. The government made the decision to do whatever was necessary to bring tourism back to Egypt and they set up a security system in that effort.

Armed guards and/or soldiers now guard all the national monuments and ruins as well as every exit and entrance of schools, churches and hotels. The grounds around the hotels are secured with guards and cars are not allowed to park within the barriers. When entering a hotel people must pass through security checkpoints similar to our airports.

What was the weather like?

October/November was the perfect time for Egypt travel. The weather was warm (mid to high 80's in Cairo, low-90's in the south) but never hot or unbearable.

What were the best and worst things about the trip?

The best was the unbelievable history that was everywhere. I was in awe the entire trip. The vendors in Egypt were the worst of anyplace I have been. It is probably the culture difference that I had trouble dealing with.

Facts about Egypt

Cairo is the capital of Egypt and has an estimated population of 17M. It has a rich history and over the past 1,000 years it has been ruled by the Greek, Persian, Roman, Arabian, French and British Empires. Cairo is a maddening city with its incessant crowds, noise and pollution. Traffic is worse than any I have ever witnessed. Cars don't even slow down for stop signs, lights or pedestrians. At night head lights are not used because they believe they will burn down the car's battery.

In Egypt life expectancy for men is 57 while women live to be 61. 50% of the population is under age 16. Workers are made to retire at 60 years old and receive a pension equal to 75% of their working income. Today only 10% of the population pays the taxes that support this large country (due to age, income levels, hidden income, etc.) Children in public schools go to class six days a week but sometimes only half-days because of the shortage of school buildings.

Many farm families don't go to school because they don't see the need since they will remain farmers for generation after generation. When England ruled Egypt they closed all the schools because they believed it was easier to control uneducated people, now education is free for kindergarten through college for boys and girls alike. The problem with this is there are many highly educated people who are unemployed. There is a need for more skilled trades like carpenters, plumbers and electricians.

The three main sources of income for Egypt are the Suez Canal, the liquid natural gas reserves and tourism, in that order.

What did we see?

Pyramids

The pyramids in Giza are perhaps the most famous ancient monuments in the world. While I always imagined these monuments to be far out into the desert they are in fact right at the edge of town.

The Sphinx is located next to the pyramids and is carved from bedrock of the Giza plateau. It is believed that the Sphinx was commissioned by the 4th Dynasty King, Khafre (2558-2532 BCE) one of the sons of Khufu (Cheops) who is recognized as the builder of the Great Pyramid. The Sphinx lines up with the Pyramid of Khafre at the foot of its causeway.

Valley of the Kings and Queens

On the west bank at Luxor is one of the most important archaeological sites in the world. This is the location of the Valley of the Queens and the Valley of the Kings. The valleys are the burial place of pharaohs of the New Kingdom, 18th, 19th, and 20th Dynasties. To date more than 62 tombs have been identified.

Temples

Abu Simbel is located 180 miles south of Aswan on the southern border of Egypt and on the shore of Lake Nasser. It is one of the most intriguing monuments in Egypt. Ramses II built two temples at this site; both are built into the rock face. The main temple is dominated by four seated 66 ft. statues of Ramses, each seated on a throne and wearing the double crown of Upper and Lower Egypt. Through a hypostyle hall containing eight columns depicting Ramses II is an inner sanctuary with statues of Ra, Ramses II, Amun and Ptah seated against the far wall. Words can't begin to describe the inside and outside of these temples.

The Temple of Kom Ombo was built during the Greco-Roman period (332 BC - AD 395). This temple is very unusual because it was dedicated to two deities, each with their own

associated chambers and sanctuaries.

In Edfu the Temple of the Falcon God Horus is the best preserved example of Greco-Roman temples of Egypt and the second largest after Karnak.

The Temple of Abydos is on the west bank of the Nile, 90 miles north of Luxor and is linked to the earliest dynasties recorded. The temple dates to around 3150 BC.

The Temple of Hathor is located on the west bank of the Nile near Dendera. It was never finished but it is well preserved.

Karnak Temple is actually a complex of three main temples, smaller enclosed temples, and several outer temples. This vast complex was built and enlarged over a thirteen hundred year period. Karnak is the largest temple complex in the world covering more than 100 acres.

Museums

The Cairo Egyptian Museum opened its 107 halls to the public in 1902 and holds Egypt's greatest collection of Egyptian antiquities. On the first floor items are arranged to follow the history of Egypt and includes the famous slate palette of King Narmer (3200 B.C.) which is one of the first documents of Egyptian history. On the second floor the treasures from Tutankhamen's Tomb are found and the display includes chariots, gloves, jewelry, the famous gold mask the pharaoh was wearing, all four gilded shrines in order of decreasing size and much more. Tutankhamen remains in his tomb to this day. The museum also houses the Royal Mummy Room that houses eleven kings and queens including the most famous Ramses II (Warrior King and Son of Ra).

The Alexandria National Museum holds Egypt's largest collection of Greco-Roman art mostly from excavations around Alexandria. The artifacts reveal the mixture of ancient Egyptian, Greek and Roman elements and include two mummies.

Churches

In Cairo's oldest still inhabited neighborhood we visited several early churches including Egypt's oldest synagogue and its first mosque. Egypt has always been the center of religions and Judaism, Christianity and Islam have been freely practiced over the ages.

Other

In Aswan a new dam (High Dam) was started in 1960 and finished ten years later. It was financed with help of the Soviet

Retiree Deaths

Date: Nov, Dec, & Jan, 2005

Alexander, Mildred – d. 10/6/2004

At Tek: 8/20/1973 to 7/11/1986

Barber, Helen – d. 12/8/2004

At Tek: 10/10/1966 to 1/27/1984

Barker, Leah – d. 11/7/2004

At Tek: 7/10/1958 to n/a

Baska, Dorothy – d. 12/1/2004

At Tek: 11/26/1956 to n/a

Berg, Ludmilla – d. 12/2/2004

At Tek: 10/27/1958 to 2/6/1981

Billings, Keith – d. 1/4/2001

At Tek: 2/9/1976 to 3/29/1991

Brejcha, Carolyn – d. 11/29/2004

At Tek: 1/21/1957 to 7/11/1986

Brown, Marie – d. 11/3/2004

At Tek: not available

Bulmer, Craig – d. 12/9/2004

At Tek: 8/15/1977 to 8/25/1996

Burke, John – d. 1/26/2002

At Tek: 4/16/1973 to 7/28/1992

Clancy, Cecil – d. 11/10/2004

At Tek: 2/9/1959 to n/a

Delepine, Barbara – d. 12/24/2004

At Tek: 6/28/1976 to n/a

Drennan, Robert – d. 8/16/2004

At Tek: 3/8/1982 to 7/31/2000

Eastman, Jack – d. 10/27/2004

At Tek: 7/28/1969 to 12/30/1983

Edwards, H. – d. 8/12/2000

At Tek: 7/26/1982 to 7/22/1983

Green, L. – d. 10/29/2004

At Tek: 3/16/1966 to 3/4/1994

Harrell, La Verne – d. 10/17/2004

At Tek: 8/28/1961 to 7/25/1986

Harrell, Raymond – d. 12/15/2004

At Tek: not available

Harris, Verna – d. 11/25/2004

At Tek: 7/19/1956 to 9/18/1981

Helmcke, Darrell – d. 11/1/2004

At Tek: 2/1/1960 to 2/26/1993

Jahnsen, Eleanor – d. 6/8/2004

At Tek: 1/9/1978 to 7/11/1986

Jansen, Glenna – d. 12/7/2004

At Tek: not available

Johnson, Robert – d. 10/15/2004

At Tek: 3/11/1963 to 3/30/1983

Kelly, Bradford – d. 11/28/2004

At Tek: 9/30/1977 to 9/17/1990

Lacey, Donald – d. 11/27/2004

At Tek: 4/2/1956 to 4/29/1983

Mccord, William – d. 12/5/2004

At Tek: not available

Miller, Nancy – d. 12/29/2004

At Tek: 9/10/1973 to 8/28/1992

Robart, Douglas – d. 11/7/2004

At Tek: 2/24/1960 to 11/15/1974

Shine, Lorraine – d. 9/4/2004

At Tek: 1/17/1977 to 3/25/1977

Stevens, Jerome – d. 12/17/2004

At Tek: 8/11/1977 to 3/27/1992

Stuart, Roberg – d. 10/3/2004

At Tek: 1/31/1966 to 5/18/1979

Supalla, Clarence – d. 10/19/2004

At Tek: 6/7/1960 to 4/29/1983

Tanner, Lee – d. 12/10/2004

At Tek: 4/7/1980 to 6/22/1990

Trevino, Benito – d. 1/6/2005

At Tek: 9/10/1973 to 8/6/1990

Uphoff, Robert – d. 12/27/2004

At Tek: 12/10/1979 to 4/19/1991

Wright, Betty – d. 12/23/2004

At Tek: 6/15/1972 to 5/4/1994

Yarbrough, Donald – d. 7/6/2004

At Tek: not available

Union who provided 400 technicians for the work. (The money was later paid back to Russia for political reasons.) The Aswan Dam created the world's largest man-made lake that runs 300 miles south into Sudan and covers 2,300 square miles. It is considered the greatest public works to be undertaken in Egypt since the pyramids.

Egyptian Food

The Egyptian cuisine depends heavily on fresh ingredients such as herbs, garlic, lemon and vegetables. The most consumed component in the Egyptian diet is bread (Aish). Another favorite component of the diet is Fava beans, known for their nutritional value. The typical Egyptian menu will consist of soup, meat/chicken/or fish, vegetable stew, rice or pasta, salad and bread. Fruits are served for dessert. More elaborate desserts are served on special occasions.

This is a condensed version of Judy's article. If you would like the full version contact Judy Watson at:

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There will also be pictures on the Web that we do not have room to publish in the newsletter. See at:

www.tekretirees.org.

Annual Potluck in the Park

Shutes Park
Hillsboro, OR
June 25, 2005
Time: 11:00 a.m.

Invite your friends and co-workers to join you in the park for a fun filled time. All ex-Tek employees, family and friends are invited to join in.

Bring a dish to share, your dinner service and drinks. For additional information call the TRVP office at 503-627-4056 or check the TRVP webpage at:

www.tekretirees.org

Volunteer Recognition Coming Up

Date: April 23, 2005
Place: Bldg: 58 Cafeteria
Time: 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

If you are a volunteer, or know of someone who is volunteering but not on our volunteer mail list please give us a call so we can invite them too. We can be reached at 503-627-4056.

Additional information will be mailed to volunteers soon.

CANADA, Lake Louise

by Victor Herman

First I would like to express my gratitude for your sending me the Tek Retiree News, even though we are not living anymore in Portland. I would like also to give my regards to all my colleagues from building 38 (Beaverton Campus), with whom I worked almost 14 years. It was an interesting experience, for me and for my wife Lucia, who also worked for Tektronix. We came from Eastern Europe (Romania), without any knowledge about electronics, but received very good training, and after 3 years I became a component specialist.

We miss the retiree reunions at the Beaverton Elks and picnics at Shute Park. We also miss Portland, Oregon because it is a beautiful, modern and exciting city, which offers places to see and things to do. We lived in Portland for 25 years, and during these times we traveled a lot, visiting the western states.

The most beautiful trip in Canada was when we visited Banff and Jasper National Parks, situated in Alberta, in the heart of the Canadian Rockies. For two weeks we
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Editorial

By Louis Sowa

Your editor has been a little overwhelmed with time constraints, consequently I am even a little more disorganized than usual. One item I lost is the name of the person who sent the Christmas Card and note mentioning plans to move to Roseville, MN . There was also a drawing that I would like to use. The name was not on the card and I accidentally misplaced the envelope. If you send your name again we would like to include your letter in the next issue even though it will be nearly summer.

I have a new office at home and maybe by next issue I will be fully moved in and more organized.

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: 503-554-7440

Lake Louise (Continued from page 3)

slept in our van, saving a lot of money, the hotels are very expensive. We planned to stay one month in Canada, but we cut short our trip, because of unpredictable weather in the Canadian Rockies. As summer passed into autumn, the nights grew cold, and there was a frosty chill in the night air. At the beginning of September, the mornings were cold and overcast and we saw the geese moving south. The leaves of the trees and bushes had turned yellow and were falling. The days were getting shorter; it was dark by six. August passed into September, bringing foul weather, first rain and then snow.

We keep fresh in our memory the majestic Canadian Rockies, the beauty of lake Louise and Lake Moraine, which makes a primary attraction of Banff National Park, and of course the magnificent Glacier National Park in Montana. During this trip we saw a lot of wild animals: deer, elk, moose etc. We traveled alongside of the Canadian Rockies, which is a panorama like from another world! I like to mention also, that Sarasota Florida, our new residence, is located on Florida's West Coast, and is known as a cultural center as well as an international destination resort. Beside the weather, there are two more wonders in

Florida: the Everglades and Walt Disney World in Orlando.

There are a great many nice places, that could be mentioned, about our many trips, but for this time, I will bring my story to a close.

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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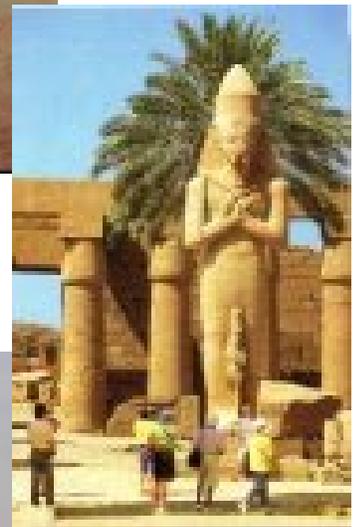
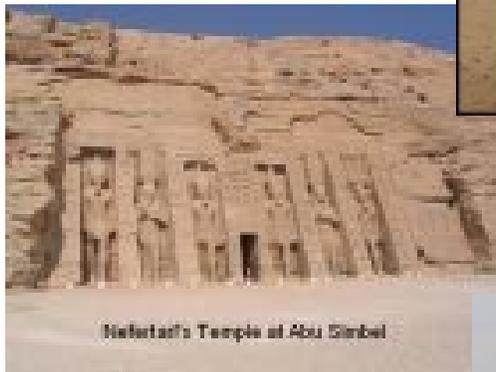
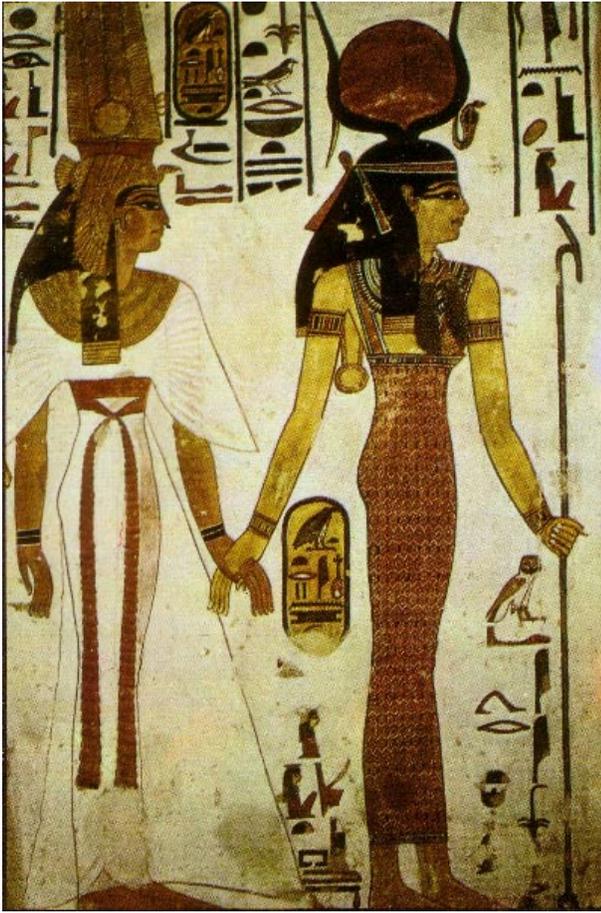
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Photos from the 'Egypt' article



Christmas at the Beaverton Elks

