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## Technical Presentation Center Wins Praise As A Fine, Fine Vintage

*Reported by Bob Crowe*

It was quite a long time in the fermentation vat, from about 1960 to be exact, but the newly opened Space Technology Presentation Center is drawing high praise from those who know as a "state-of-the-art" structure to host industry and government conferences, marketing events, proposal oral presentations, program simulations and employee communication events.

Early 1960 architectural drawings of the Space Park complex showed such a complex nestled north of Bldg. S and west of E2 but the years passed without it being built.

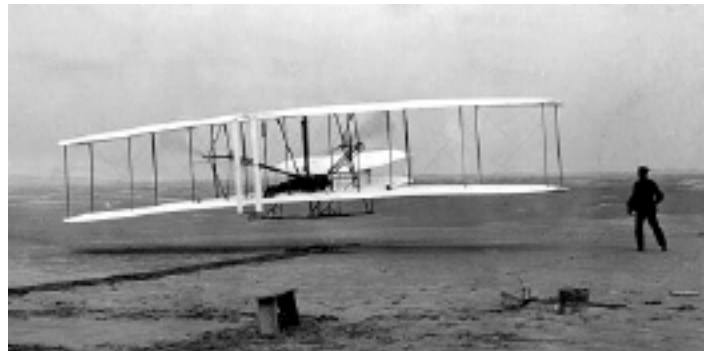
Now, on 25 November 2003, hundreds of Northrop Grumman employees and invited guests from the local community and media turned out to "tap the vat" for the grand opening of the modernistic center. Joining Space Technology President Wes Bush for the long awaited dedication were Northrop Grumman Chairman, CEO and President Ron Sugar and the Honorable Jane Harman, Member US House of Representatives, 36th District, plus Kent Kresa, NG Chairman Emeritus, and Gregory C. Hill, Mayor of the City of Redondo Beach.

Situated directly north of Bldg. E2 paralleling Marine Ave, the versatile 20,000 sq. ft. center features a centerpiece of a 6700 sq. ft. two story, 500 seat presentation room with advanced audio/visual, video teleconferencing and digital simulation systems that reflect leading edge technology. The facility also features three, 900 sq. ft., 30-person "breakout" rooms with fixed and portable audio/visual and computer capabilities plus a 1,600 sq. ft. food service area.

No word yet as to whether this fine structure might be used occasionally for large TRA get togethers but certainly the question will be raised at the appropriate time.

## TRW Retirees Helping Build a Wright Flyer

*Reported by Jack Cherne and John Lipscomb*



*The historic photo of the Wrights' first flight*

Four TRW retirees are helping build a new flyable replica of the original Wright Flyer that made the first manned flight on Dec.17, 1903. at Kill Devil Hill in N.C. **Jack Cherne** is the Team Chairman. Other TRA team members are: **John Lipscomb**, **Rim Kaminskis**, and **Don Crawford**. A little history is in order. **Jack Cherne's** summary follows:

In 1953, the AIAA had a replica of the Flyer built by Southern Calif Aerospace Industry for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Wright Brothers flight. This Airplane was loaned to the San Diego Aerospace Museum in the 1970's when the AIAA building on Beverly Blvd was sold. In 1978 an arson fire destroyed the museum and we lost our airplane. We decided to replace the airplane, and make it an educational project.

We completed the second airplane in 1998 and it went into the NASA Ames 40'X80' wind tunnel in February 1999. After a successful two weeks in the wind tunnel the airplane was returned to Southern California and hung in the lobby of the FAA Western Regional Hq. Building, across the street from Space Park, for public display. On Sept. 28, 2002, we loaded up the airplane in our 53' trailer truck for the start of a 12,692 mile long Centennial of Flight Tour where the Airplane was seen by 3.6 million people. To be able to accomplish this feat required the effort of many volunteers. The cities visited are listed below:

Oct 5-6 '02      Las Vegas, Nellis AFB Aviation Nation  
Oct 14-19 '02    World Space Congress, Houston Texas  
Oct 26-Feb 24 '03 New England Art Museum, Bradley International Airport  
Mar 1 - May '03   Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral Florida

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Our web page is at [www.trwretirees.org](http://www.trwretirees.org). It is an excellent source for the latest news, lists of the new retirees, travel details, party photos (more than get into the NNG), forms of all sorts, the TRW Readout Classifieds (an excellent way to buy or sell), personal photographs, and much more. Come in and browse.

### Important Phone Numbers for Retirees

#### Medical Insurance

Aetna U.S. Healthcare  
 800-468-4522

Merck-Medco Rx Service  
 800-841-3398

Northrop Grumman (TRW)  
 Retiree Relations Administrator  
 One Space Park, S/1480  
 Redondo Beach, CA 90278  
 800-537-7694

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 800-854-9349

## TRW Retiree Meetings Around the U.S.

GROUP	MEETING LOCATION	TIME & DATE	PROGRAM	CONTACT
TRA	Bldg.S Park Patio Cafe, Space Park	See notice on Page 5.	Business Meeting followed by Forum (2:15 p.m.)	All Members Welcome
ATD Boys of '92	Alpine Village, Torrance, CA	First Monday in November	Social and Nostalgia	Don Brown, Sandy Friedfeld, Bob Traylor 310-541-1917 sandjol@aol.com
Brevard Retards	Various Locations in Brevard, NC	1st Tues. 8 a.m. 3rd Tues. 5 p.m.	Social	Al & Daughn Connarn 828-884-4993 fingers5555@hotmail.com
Central Coast Chapter	Various Locations in the Central Coast Area	2nd Monday 10 a.m.	Social	John Mason 805-771-9560 jmason@aol.com
D.C.	Frederick, MD		Sporting Events	Lew Schneider 301-984-0977 scribblew@starpower.net
Huntsville	Papa Lovetti's Buffet, Sparkman & University	2nd Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Jim Troy troys@comcast.net
Las Vegas	Various Locations in Las Vegas Metro Area	Last Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Carol Noblet 702-889-6773 fiftysumthn@aol.com
Northern Virginia	Squire Rockwell Restaurant, Fairfax, VA	3rd Friday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Howard Setzer, 703-830-1358 hsetzer@cox.net
OFC	Various Restaurants in South Bay	2nd Thursday 11:30 a.m.	Social	John Lipscomb 310-322-6811 jfl@pcmagic.net
Ogden	Cracker Barrel Restaurant Layton, UT	1st Thursday Breakfast	Social	Fred Zeuthen 801-476-0656 fzeuthen@earthlink.net
San Bernardino	Elks Club, San Bernardino		Social plus programs of interest	Elliot J. Livingston 909-793-5447
SE Chapter	Sarasota, FL	April 13-15, 2004	Social	Jack Wiles 321-255-1510
San Diego Chapter	Event Dependent	3rd Tuesday	Social or Board Mtg	Jim Denton 858-385-0150 jandc_denton@msn.com
Temecula Valley	Various Locations in Area	Quarterly for Lunch	Social	Judy Lebovitz 909-461-0065 jlebo6720@aol.com
TRW Retirees of the Desert	Elmer's Steak House Indio, CA	Every Tuesday 1:00 p.m.	Social and Nostalgia	Joe Clopton 760-342-8171 joeclopton@aol.com

# TRAVel News

## UPCOMING TRIPS AND EVENTS

### HARRAH'S RINCON

February 18, 2004

RT motorcoach transportation, \$5.00 cash coupon, 50% Buffet discount coupon, driver's tip, snacks & water. \$7.00 pp, ddl 1/18/04. Jim Addis, 310-379-6988]

### BAJA LOBSTER FEST

March 24, 2004

Lobster feast at Rosarito Beach. 1½ lb. lobster, baked potato, soup & salad, dessert, Margarita & tip included. Dlx. U.S. motorcoach (driver tip included). Shopping after lunch in Rosarito. \$66.00 pp, ddl 2/12/04. B. Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

### LAUGHLIN

May 2 - 4

R/T motor coach, 2 nights Flamingo Hilton, baggage handling, Fun Book, 2 buffets, coffee and rolls before departure, refreshments en route. \$61.00 ppdo, \$71.00 sgl. ddl 4/2/04 Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

May 2004

**YOSEMITE:** Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

**COPPER CANYON:** Kay Burton, 310-374-7390

June 2004

**BRANSON:** Jay Seidman, (818) 343-5171

**UTAH EXPERIENCE + MESQUITE NV:** Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

### ALASKA CRUISE

August 30, 2004

12 Day Dawn Princess Heart of Alaska Cruise/Tour. Vancouver-Ketchikan\*, Juneau\*, Skagway\*, Glacier Bay-College Fjord-Mt. McKinley Princess Wilderness Lodge\*\*, Fairbanks\*\* (Stern Wheeler Riverboat Cruise & Gold Mine Tour). Cat. JJ (inside) - \$1519 dbl, Cat. EE (outside) - \$1927 pp dbl, Cat. BB (balcony) - \$2169 pp dbl. Notes: \*=port of call; \*\*=overnight. Air, transfers, land fees & taxes are extra. Early booking discount available. \$300 pp deposit due by 2/17/04, final 6/10/04. Jay Seidman, 818-343-5171

September 2004

**NEW ENGLAND FALL FOLIAGE W/TAUCK:** Jay Seidman 818-343-5171

October 2004

**PONY EXPRESS:** Jim Addis, 310-379-6988

**PACHUNGA CASINO:** Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

November 2004

**LAS VEGAS:** Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

#### SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED ON ANY OF OUR BUSES

Because it is unlawful to furnish alcoholic beverages to bus passengers, we serve only soft drinks.

The Travel Committee meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m. in Bldg. E2/B114. The meeting is open to everyone.

## The Boys and Girls of ATD

An overflow crowd of ATD retirees once again renewed friendships from TRW at the Alpine Village. Programs relived were the LMDE landing on the moon and Apollo 13 rescue, spacecraft attitude control systems, the MARS biology instrument and weather instrument plus all the chemical lasers to name a few. A couple of younger working TRW engineers showed up to see how the OF's are doing after a long career. Proud to say some were project managers and above. Sad to say a few good engineers were lured away to Raytheon.

Remember, next year, the first Monday in November, we will meet at Alpine Village.

*Sandy Friedfeld*

## News From Your Group?

This edition of the NNG has articles from two groups of TRW retirees: The Boys and Girls of ATD and The Southeast Chapter. During 2004 we would like to include at least one article from each group of our retirees around the country. In the past, space restrictions have kept us from including some fine articles in the NNG. For 2004 we are increasing the priority on such stories. Please send us your reports describing that special meeting or gathering, the types of programs you have, or, if strictly social, what's the news from your group? Who's attending, and what's the news from the poor guys that are still working? There are 14 groups listed in the Meetings Table on page 2; we would like to hear from each of you.

## HAPPENINGS AT NORTHROP GRUMMAN

*Reported by Andrew W. Bairden*

### NORTHROP GRUMMAN (NG)

- In November 2003, the Board of Directors of NG Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share on Northrop Grumman common stock, payable Dec. 13, 2003, to Shareholders of record Dec. 1, 2003. The board also declared a dividend of \$1.75 per share on the company's Series B convertible preferred stock, payable Jan. 15, 2004, to shareholders of record Jan. 2, 2004.

### SPACE TECHNOLOGY (NGST)

- NGST has completed a Department of Defense-certified facility and begun integration and test of an engineering model payload for the department's next-generation Advanced Extremely High Frequency (EHF) communications satellite system. Approximately 40 employees already are at work in the facility. Plans call for as many as 200 employees to be based there when full-up payload testing is underway in 2005.
- The NG Hyperion hyperspectral imager aboard NASA's Earth Observing-1 satellite celebrated its third anniversary on-orbit Nov. 21. Originally intended to be on-orbit for one year, Hyperion has now exceeded its life cycle by 300 percent.

### MISSION SYSTEMS (NGMS)

- NGMS has been awarded two prime and two subcontractor contracts totaling \$260 million to support development of the U.S. Army's Future Combat System (FCS) program.
- NGMS received a \$175 million order to provide advanced security systems to U.S. Air Force locations worldwide. Mission Systems will procure, stage, ship, install and test a wide variety of advanced technologies to help the Air Force protect its domestic and overseas assets.
- On Dec. 3, The Missile Defense Agency (MDA) awarded NGMS and Raytheon Company team the Kinetic Energy Interceptors (KEI) contract, which is to provide the U.S. with the ability to destroy hostile missiles at their most vulnerable stage, the boost/ascent phase of flight.

### Updates on Medicare 2004

Confused about all the Medicare changes? Then join us at our Forum Series of programs on Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004 in the Presentation Room, Bldg. E2, at Space Park, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. A speaker from the Center for Health Care Rights will discuss recent changes to Medicare, Medicare Benefits, and sources of additional information. Don't miss this timely meeting!

## IN MEMORIAM

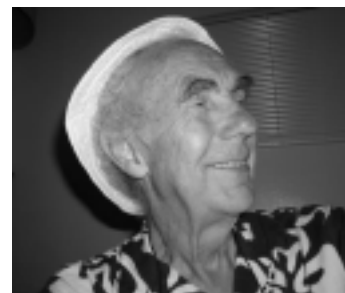
<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Michael Arndt	October 15, 2003
Michael R. Boozan	September 8, 2003
Thomas Jackson Christman	October 10, 2003
Rolland Goulet	September 8, 2003
Ceridwen D. Jauker	August 14, 2003
Nickolas Miller	October 6, 2003
Daniel R. Minga	October 17, 2003
John M. Wolff	October 20, 2003
Eric W. Moulton	September 24, 2003
Frank J. Mullen	October 16, 2003
Ralph E. Pelletier	September 14, 2003
Tom Powell	September 18, 2003
Nicholas Vitale	October 03, 2003
Gerald Duane Walker	June 15, 2003
Jack S. Watanabe	August 8, 2003

The first step in notifying Northrop Grumman of a retiree's death is to call the TRW Benefits Service Center at 800-859-4567. For many TRW retirees, there is a life insurance policy which will be paid to the beneficiary upon proper notification of death.

Listed deaths are from official records.

### Webmaster Dave Morrison Signs Off

David Dean Morrison, the quiet man who helped to amplify the voices of hundreds of TRA members as they chatted, questioned and explained a multitude of retiree concerns on the organization website he created, peacefully signed off for the last time on 12 November. He had been suffering from bone cancer for some time.



Dave, as he preferred to be known, was born in Detroit, MI, on 7 February 1931, one of seven children. He received his B.S. degree from Wayne State University and later his PhD in mathematics from UCLA. He worked

for many years at STL/TRW while also teaching at USC.

Life wasn't all science and numbers. He and his wife, Rosemary, who preceded him in death, were familiar sights east of Sepulveda Blvd where they lived and much enjoyed walking through the Manhattan Beach neighborhoods near their home. Additionally, he enjoyed tennis, volleyball, computers, music and especially time with his family. He is survived by children, Jeanette and Andy, and grandchildren, Matilda and Miles.



# Wright Flyer

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May 16-25 '03	Festival of Flight, Fayetteville, North Carolina
June 21,22 '03	Van Nuys Aviation Exposition
July 13-20 '03	Dayton Air Show
Sept 12-28 '03	Los Angeles County Fair
Oct 25,26 '03	Edwards Air Force Base Air Show
Nov 3-13 '03	Northrop Grumman, El Segundo
Nov. 15 '03	FAA Western Regional Headquarters Building lobby

Due to the post 9-11-01 security revisions, entrance to the FAA building is now restricted. However, a call to our FAA PR specialist, Marilyn Ramsey, (310)725-6728, might arrange a visit to the FAA building lobby, where the Centennial of Flight display features the Wright Flyer hanging from the ceiling.

After the second airplane was tested in the wind tunnel the team concentrated on building the third (flight vehicle) in "High Bay" space loaned us by Microcosm, 401 Coral Circle, El Segundo. This airplane has changes incorporated to make it more stable to insure safety of flight. Many volunteers were enlisted to do the aerodynamics, stability and control, fabricate the flight vehicle, and prepare it for flight in 2004 at Edwards Air Force Base. **Rim Kaminskis** designed and built revised canards. **Don Crawford's** aerodynamic analysis was especially useful. We built a revised rudder, and a sub-team prepared our Revmaster 40 HP engine, selected for needed power and reliability. Many of the machined parts for our engine, propeller shafts and their supports were made by **John Lipscomb**, who is also president of the TRA OFCs luncheon group.

## A Pilot, First, Last And Always

Vaughn Denning spent a respectable 17 years at TRW in several different positions prior to retirement. Many of his friends and coworkers were aware that he had retired from the US Air Force but not that he had spent 32 years there or what he did prior to donning civilian clothes.

His recently published autobiography, "A Pilot, First, Last and Always," is his recapture of those years and his experiences of flying more than 45 types of military aircraft in many different roles. He flew with Charles Lindbergh and General Jimmy Doolittle (STL's first Chairman of the Board), as well as working two tours at the Pentagon plus his work with nuclear weapons and various space activities. In the latter he worked with TRW prior to his retirement.

Many of you readers know the civilian Vaughn. To find out about the Colonel Vaughn Denning, USAF Retired, you can get the book at Thunderbird Press, P.O. Box 524 Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, 760-773-2786 or at [thunderbirdpress@aol.com](mailto:thunderbirdpress@aol.com). It has 512 pages and 136 illustrations.

## Gene Noneman Doing Well

Bette Noneman reports from Encino, CA that spouse, Gene, is doing very well physically but is still having cognition problems as a result of the stroke he suffered some time ago. He is unable to talk or perform any complex tasks she said although he takes walks, waters garden plants etc. If people wish to call the number in the TRA directory she is happy to relay messages to him and he very much enjoys receiving notes and cards which Bette reads to him.

## Southeast Chapter to Meet in April

The TRA Southeast Chapter will convene in Sarasota, FL on 13, 14, and 15 April, 2004. They will stay at the Sarasota/Bradenton Hampton Inn. On the first night (the 13th) they will have their usual BYO food and drink meeting at 6 pm. All TRA members from around the globe are welcome to attend.

## Black and White Poem

(Author unknown)

You could hardly see for all the snow,  
Spread the rabbit ears as far as they go;  
Pull a chair up to the TV set,  
"Good Night, David. Good Night, Chet."

Depending on the channel you tuned,  
You got Rob and Laura — or Ward and June;  
It felt so good. It felt so right,  
Life looked better in black and white.

I Love Lucy, The Real McCoys,  
Dennis the Menace, the Cleaver boys;  
Rawhide, Gunsmoke, Wagon Train,  
Superman, Jimmy and Lois Lane.

Father Knows Best, Patty Duke,  
Rin Tin Tin and Lassie too;  
Donna Reed on Thursday night!  
Life looked better in black and white.

I wanna go back to black and white,  
Everything always turned out right;  
Simple people, simple lives...  
Good guys always won the fights.

Now nothing is the way it seems,  
In living color on the TV screen;  
Too many murders, too many fights,  
I wanna go back to black and white.

In God they trusted; alone in bed they slept,  
A promise made was a promise kept;  
They never cussed or broke their vows,  
They'd never make the network now.

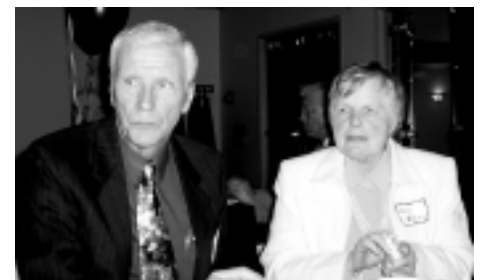
But if I could, I'd rather be,  
In a TV town in '53;  
It felt so good. It felt so right,  
Life looked better in black and white.

I'd trade all the channels on the satellite,  
If I could just turn back the clock tonight;  
To when everybody knew wrong from right,  
Life was better in black and white!

## Photos from the Holiday Party

TRA's Holiday Party was held on December 5, 2003, with a fine turnout of about 200. The weather cooperated (it has rained on several of our recent parties) and the music was very danceable. Bob Crowe was there with his camera catching these retirees in action.

We would like to get your feedback on the party. Should we move to another hotel, or stay with the Hacienda? How was the food? Music? What should we change (if anything) for the 2004 Holiday Party, to be held on Friday, December 3, 2004? Please let us know your desires, either by e-mail ([tra@trwretirees.org](mailto:tra@trwretirees.org)) or by mail (TRA, P.O. Box 1276, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.)



## MORE MAIL POUCH

Amazed at the work involved and much more appreciative of the "volunteers" who worked for the "Systems" CU. Highlight of her year was a trip to Ireland with her daughter and granddaughter...a trip of a lifetime♦♦♦The 2003 date on his NNG address label triggered **Bob Wirt** to get out his check book in Orange Park, FL and do his dues. "I really appreciate receiving the NNG...keeping us update on the "goings on" in the company. I would really be in a desert of information without it."♦♦♦The return address stated 3954 Five Points Road, (Northwest of Polkville), Shelby, NC 28150 and the letter was signed by **Charles Elliott** who was renewing his NNG subscription for five more years. The Systems Development Division retiree was writing from a small cattle farm in the Blue Ridge Mountains, halfway between Charlotte and Asheville, where he gets his kicks walking his Chihuahua down to the creek and checking up on "my cows." He was glad to see one of his friends, **Mary Anne Sayer**, share his appreciation for the NNG in a recent Mail Pouch♦♦♦In addition to renewing his membership for ten years, plus extras for the postage kitty, **Art Williams**, the former ATD marketer reports that living in Diamondhead, MS, the Gulf of Mexico for the past 10 years has been great with fishing, gardening, golfing and ballroom dance competitions in the USA and Europe with one exception. Replacement Parts! In June he was told that he needed both knees replaced with "store-bought" titanium ones. Had one joint rejointed last July and



the other in October. Should know his mobility factor by April 2004. And in closing "Getting the NNG is one of my monthly highlights"♦♦♦**Bill Johnson**, colonelbillj@yahoo.com, also reports on some parts replacement. In the past five years he has had a triple by-pass, laminectomy with two metal bars "Cages" in his back, plus a complete right hip replacement. He now is confident enough to send in his check for three more years. Other news is a new fiancé, Elaine Hayes, a high school sweetheart from South Carolina. They exchanged class rings in 1944 before the military took Bill away. Later, it turned out they were both USC grads, she University of South Carolina and he University of Southern California. They both lost their spouses within two months of each other in 1998 and eventually rejoined their lives. Now they spend time traveling between her home(s) in Myrtle Beach and Lake View, SC and his home in Torrance, CA♦♦♦A nice "thank you" from 1999 retiree **Shirley Forrest** for the new directory. Her name is in it but as the result of a recent move her new telephone number didn't make it. For the record, you can reach Shirley at 757-591-8920 or cell 757-570-1683 or sjforrest@hotmail.com. In her note, Shirley related her memories of working with BMD and General Schriever, then transferring to STL in 1960 and meeting Dr. Mettler. "Thank you for putting the this directory together for our information, use and enjoyment."

## Your Help is Needed!

Have fun and help TRA and the nearly 4000 members who are your friends and former coworkers at the same time. It takes many different skills to keep TRA running smoothly. Take your pick, and then contact us: leave a message at 310-813-7745; e-mail us at TRA@trwretirees.org; or write us at TRA, P.O. Box 1276, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

The hours are excellent; in most cases you name them. The pay is unique! It's invisible but it is deposited frequently in your self satisfaction account under "I helped and it is appreciated very much!"

**PUBLICATION STAFF:** Reporters needed to cover special assignments. Out of the area? That's no excuse!! We can still use you and you'll get a byline!

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE:** Help Chairperson Alice Lord with the many social functions TRA sponsors during the year. You'll have fun before the fun begins.

**PROGRAMS:** Have a good idea for a non-commercial topic or speaker that might interest a lot of retirees? Just let us know. We'll help to make it happen.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Amazingly, many company retirees aren't aware of TRA. We need a marketer to broadcast the news and get the word out to those retirees that are missing perhaps the best part or their careers.

**ARCHIVES:** We have a huge amount of donated archival material from retirees covering all phases of their professional activities for the past half century. Helping in this vital area will assure that your project or your organization will be in the TRA archives data base for future generations to retrieve and learn from.

**HEALTH & BENEFITS:** Have an interest in this important aspect of retirement? Why not dig into it and then help us stay informed by explaining it to our retirees.

**BY-LAWS:** Spent your working career writing specifications, regulations or even suggestions as to how to keep organized and out of trouble? Then you are just the person to help us on our By-Laws Committee.

Don't hesitate, don't be shy. Interest isn't automatic commitment. We would love to meet you and explain these interesting committees more thoroughly. Just contact us and we'll take it from there.

Remember, TRA belongs to all of us, not just a few.





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The next NNG will be published in early March. It will contain the dues-renewal notices for those TRA members whose memberships expired in 2003

## THE MAIL POUCH — Sorted and Delivered by Bob Crowe

Remember **Jack Whalen**? He was TRA President way back when and since then has been a continual contributor to TRA, particularly when it comes to organizational rules and regulations. Well, Jack is pouting! Yup, a man of his seniority, prestige and general Irish charm is unhappy. Why? In spite of the fact that he is alive and well, his name was left out of the recent TRA directory. So, in his note from down south, he wants all to know that he and spouse, Teri, are at 1621 N. Shaffer St. in Orange, CA 9867. Cheer him up, send them a card♦♦♦♦According to **Charles Miller** it was the hottest summer on record in Arizona and he and his wife spent most of their time just trying to keep cool in Sedona. For a change of pace, last November they did a Mississippi run on the restored Delta Queen River Boat, then a tour of Panama City, Panama, a small boat cruise through the canal, and finally a stay at a resort hotel in the Gamboa Rain Forest♦♦♦♦Again, **Paul Gilmore** renews from the Rolling Hills Estates CA with an emotional note of thanks to the TRA volunteers. "Thank you — and your employees — all doing good!"♦♦♦♦Oliver Reynolds reports from Palm Beach, FL that he appears to have made the transition to Northrop Grumman with no problem. In fact the 36 year TRW employee noted that he was quite proud of NG when he recently toured the USS Ronald Reagan Aircraft Carrier last month with its 1000 ft length, 80 aircraft, and 20 year



nuclear power capability (and even prouder that at 84 he was able to climb up and down ladders to see the whole thing.) The former Purchasing Manager is wondering about other TRW retirees in South Florida? Give him a mailing at [busterey@aol.com](mailto:busterey@aol.com)♦♦♦♦**Dan** and **Yvette Doiron** want to remain TRA connected for at least three more years from up at Wofford Heights, CA where "things are great up here" on the Kern River and Lake Isabella. Their check reflected their dues plus "coffee money" for the next board meeting♦♦♦♦Southeastern United States retirees who are not on **Al Connarn's** mailing list for the SE Chapter TRA Newsletter, "The TRA y'ALL CRIER" are missing a bet, good writing, good columns, good puzzles etc. Give Al a note at 4 Timberlane Road, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768 or at [fingers5555@hotmail.com](mailto:fingers5555@hotmail.com)♦♦♦♦**Don Shults** is still alive and kicking, when not cruising, in Rancho PV, CA. The only thing he misses about working are the people but he is still enjoying retirement and wants at least two more years of the NNG♦♦♦♦A welcome note, and check for three years, from **E.T. "Betty" Geraghty** still residing up in Citrus Heights, CA. Betty much enjoys hearing about her former coworkers and is firmly convinced that both she and the NNG will last for a spell. She's in a new volunteer activity on the Supervisory Committee at her local credit union.

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