

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!****Robotics Demo to Be in Technical Information Center****HAPPENINGS AT  
NORTHROP GRUMMAN***Reported by Andrew W. Bairden***NORTHROP GRUMMAN (NG)**

- NG's first quarter 2004 income rose 31% to \$228 million, or \$1.25 per diluted share, compared with \$174 million, or \$0.91 per diluted share, for the same period of 2003.
- On May 12, 2004, NG announced that its Board of Directors approved a 15 percent increase of the common stock quarterly dividend to \$0.46 per share. The Board also declared a two-for-one split of the company's common stock to be distributed in the form of a stock dividend. The quarterly cash dividend of \$0.46 per share, up from \$0.40 per share on a pre-split basis, will be payable June 5, 2004, to shareholders of record as of the close of business May 24, 2004.
- NG's Newport News Sector successfully redelivered the nation's newest and most advanced nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, USS Ronald Reagan (CVN76), to the U.S. Navy after a post shakedown availability (PSA). The PSA allows the Navy and Newport News team to resolve any items that came up during early cruises and make any last-minute changes and upgrades.
- In April, NG opened its new Oklahoma City facility. The facility consolidates NG personnel and work activities that previously operated at several company sites throughout Oklahoma City. The five NG operating sectors in the area are Information Technology, Integrated Systems, Space Technology, Electronic Systems, and Mission Systems.
- NG Electronic Systems Sector announced its solution to the mission suite for the Aerial Common Sensor (ACS), the U.S. Army's and Navy's next-generation airborne intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) system. By using a modular, service-oriented approach, the NG Team's ACS solution will reduce program risk and total ownership cost.

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On Thursday, July 15, we will be treated to a robotics demonstration by TRW Retiree Bill Dean and several of his student participants from the California Academy of Mathematics and Science. These talented young people have built and operate a three-wheeled robot that can turn on a dime, herd small balls, lift a large ball, and even chin itself on a bar. Their robot is designed to compete in a national competition against other teams throughout the country. Come and see this intriguing robot, and learn about the many technical problems the team has had to overcome.

As an added inducement to attend, we have scheduled this forum in the new Technical Information Center. Located directly north of Bldg. E2, this 20,000 sq. ft. facility features a 6700 sq. ft., two-story, 500-seat presentation room with the very latest in audio/visual and digital simulation systems. The meeting will start at 2 p.m.

**Retirement Too Hectic?****NGST Wants You Back**

The Northrop Grumman Space Technology Sector has an urgent need for several experienced people with SSBI Security Clearances to work on a special program. The need is so critical that they will consider rehiring TRW retirees to fill these special needs, and to get the experience they need. The immediate need is for two individuals, but within a few weeks they expect to have additional needs.

The job descriptions are listed on our web site [www.trwretirees.org](http://www.trwretirees.org) or contact Shelley Myer at Space Park for more details. Shelley's phone is 310-812-5853 and her fax is 310-812-7775.

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### By Web Page:

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, 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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 Annuity Checks:  
 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 notices on pages 1 & 6.	Business Meeting followed by Forum (2:00 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 joeclipton@aol.com

# TRAvel News

## UPCOMING TRIPS AND EVENTS

### YOSEMITE

June 13-16, 2004

A 4-day deluxe coach tour which includes 3 nights at the Chukchansi Resort Casino just outside of Yosemite Park. The Sugar Pine Railroad will take us through Yosemite Park to the Valley Floor Tour. Another day we'll go to historic Mariposa for a tour of Mother Lode Country. \$318.00 pp dbl, \$430.00 sgl. A \$50 deposit is required with the balance due by 5/10/04. A \$60 refund (\$30 gaming pkg & \$30 food credit) will be given by Chukchansi Resort. Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

### UTAH EXPERIENCE + MESQUITE NV

June 27-30, 2004

Three nights at Deluxe Oasis Resort & Casino, R/T deluxe coach, 3 breakfast buffets, 2 dinner buffets, Oasis Steak Fry & Hay Ride, Tuachan Theater in St. George (Guys & Dolls), visit to Zion National Park. ddl 5/24/04. \$258.00 pp dbl, \$303.00 pp sgl. Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

### BARONA VALLEY RANCH CASINO

July 14, 2004

R/T deluxe coach, Bingo, Slots, "21" and other table games, dining and food court available. Includes driver's tip, snacks and water. \$4.00 pp, ddl 7/1/04. Sue Anderson, 310-371-5316

### NEW ENGLAND FALL FOLIAGE W/TAUCK

October 6-16, 2004

This 10-day trip features relaxing multi-night stays in Boston, Coastal Maine, Quebec City, and Montreal. Begin with colonial New England and Maine's Acadia National Park, then discover Canada's charming, old-world cities & the spectacular Laurentian Mtns. The most comprehensive N/W vacation. \$2350 pp dbl, \$3150 pp sgl. \$400 deposit refundable until 5/30/04. Jay Seidman 818-343-5171

### FIVE-DAY BRANSON ADVENTURE

October 15-19, 2004

Four-Star Radisson Hotel, breakfasts and dinners, R/T air, transfers and baggage handling. Shows include: Andy Williams, Glenn Campbell, Shoji Tabuchi, Yakov Schmirnoff, and Branson Belle Cruise. \$1299 pp dbl, \$1530 pp sgl. Jay Seidman 818-343-5171

October 2004

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

### MAGIC CASTLE

November 14, 2004

R/T deluxe coach, champagne brunch, 2 magic shows, tax, gratuity, and driver's tip. \$65pp. Ddl 11/1/04. Sue Anderson 310-371-5316

### PALM SPRINGS FOLLIES

November 23, 2004

Matinee performance featuring Buddy Greco. Includes R/T deluxe coach, refreshments on the bus, driver's gratuity. Lunch on your own. \$59 pp. ddl 11/1/04 Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

### LAS VEGAS

November 28, 29, 30, 2004

Two nights, three days at the Mirage Hotel, includes \$50 in meal coupons, admission to the Dolphin Habitat & Secret Garden, refreshments en route, and driver's tip. \$159 pp dbl. \$219 sgl, refundable in full till 10/11/04. Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

### HONG KONG AND BEYOND

December 1-9, 2004

Eight-day tour of fabulous Hong Kong includes out-of-the-way sights where most tours don't go, many shopping opportunities. Deluxe Inter-Continental Hotel. \$1428.00 pp dbl, \$2148.00 pp sgl. Bangkok option of 5 days/4 nights at the deluxe Royal Orchid Sheraton Hotel. \$799.00 pp dbl, \$1179.00 pp sgl. \$300 deposit required. Hy Chase, 310-274-1548 (phone and fax), echase2734@aol.com

### SPECTACULAR BALI & BEYOND

March 6-14, 2005

Eight-day (6 night) tour of Bali visiting many out-of-the-way places. Excellent beach hotel with breakfast and all-day tour. \$1038 pp dbl. Optional tours to Lombok (4-day/3-night) at \$362.00 pp dbl, and Singapore (4-day/3-night) at \$205.00 pp dbl. My wife and I have led tours to these islands many times and you are in for a spectacular treat. (Hy Chase, 310-274-1548 (phone & fax), echase2734@aol.com

### 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. E2/1200. The meeting is open to everyone.

# Photos from Our Spring Fling

Our third successive spring event at The Proud Bird Restaurant reinforced its tradition of a great reunion. The restaurant's relaxing environment, the friendly and happy retirees, the fine buffet lunch, and the magic of the entertainer made this meeting on April 14 an enjoyable time for the 126 attendees. If you missed this one, watch the NNG next spring for the announcement from Alice Lord (shown in the photo to the left) on our fourth Spring Fling. The photos on this page are courtesy of Bob Crowe.



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- NG has developed new communication capabilities that could deliver near real-time mission and survivability information from off-board sensors to EA-6B Prowler crews. This critical information is currently not available to the crews in this format or with this precision and speed.

**SPACE TECHNOLOGY (NGST)**

- Space Technology first quarter 2004 sales rose 24 percent over first quarter 2003 results.
- A team led by NG received a contract to develop the first phase of the Space Based Radar (SBR) program, designed to provide integrated, global, persistent intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR), as well as real-time support, to U.S. military and intelligence community operations. NGST will aid in the development of ground-segment, user-segment, and operations and support elements. Wes Bush, president of NGST said, "Our SBR team has the right people, the vision, and the best mix of industrial capabilities to build and deploy a system that is affordable, sustainable, and extraordinarily useful to an extremely wide variety of users."
- NGST has completed on schedule the payload critical design review (CDR), a major program accomplishment for the Department of Defense's next-generation Advanced Extremely High Frequency (EHF) communications satellite system. NGST will deliver the Advanced EHF payloads to the system prime contractor, Lockheed Martin Space Systems, Sunnyvale, California.
- A NGST-built High-Energy Laser destroyed a large-caliber rocket in a history-making test, showing the U.S. Army's Mobile Tactical High Energy Laser (MTHL) potential versatility against the increasing range of battlefield threats. NGST and NGMS were involved in test bed development.

**MISSION SYSTEMS (NGMS)**

- NGMS first quarter 2004 sales increased 28 percent and first quarter 2004 operating margin rose 36 percent, as compared with first quarter 2003 results.
- NGMS recently signed a contract with the Ministry of National Defense of Romania to provide a wide range of services and projects supporting Romanian national defense efforts.

**IN MEMORIAM**

NAME	DATE OF DEATH
Minerva A.E. Armstrong	December 20, 2003
Emelio A. Baldini	April 18, 2004
Fred J. Belsky	February 26, 2004
Richard G. Batt	February 7, 2004
Leonard D. Berman	January 8, 2004
Henry Bonish	December 22, 2003
Angelo J. Cerza	January 11, 2004
Jack M. Cherne	March 2, 2004
Frederick A. Clark	January 11, 2004
Ted A. Cullian	April 28, 2004
Robert L. Denker	December 2, 2003
Bernard G. DeSarzana	January 5, 2004
William David English	December 11, 2003
Arvo E. Erickson	March 19, 2004
Abraham Feldman	December 27, 2003
Norman R. Garner	December 7, 2003
Phyllis E. Glatt	January 5, 2004
William J. Greer	December 31, 2003
David T. Hafner	February 5, 2004
William J. Harney, Jr.	November 1, 2003
Dale J. Haywood	March 17, 2004
Christine E. Hennelly	April 19, 2004
Fred Herzberg	January 5, 2004
Patricia E. Hollinger	January 24, 2004
George S. Kasai	January 22, 2004
Martin F. Kenehan	December 31, 2003
Colin R. Lewis	April 10, 2004
Harry R. Low	March 8, 2004
Allwine V. Maanum	November 22, 2003
Aline H. Marguet	February 2, 2004
Winston C. Moss	December 7, 2003
Olive T. Murphy	January 24, 2004
Walter R. Nicholls	April 10, 2004
Donald K. O'Neill	December 3, 2003
John M. Owens	November 27, 2003
Derald D. Pierson	February 26, 2004
Theodore Rodilitz	January 22, 2004
Kenneth Ray Sanders	January 27, 2004
Mary Ellen Searing	January 7, 2004
Beatrice Seth	April 15, 2004
Alicia L. Shaver	April 17, 2004
Larry F. Shewey	April 11, 2004
Thomas A. Silva	January 27, 2004
Raymond F. Snider	December 17, 2003
Darrell K. Squires	June 25, 2003
Nancy Gaeta Struthers	February 28, 2004
W.A. Symington	March 11, 2004
Kathryn N. Thomas	November 15, 2003
Leoncio A. Ugale	April 19, 2004
Harold E. Van Gorder	March 24, 2004
Frank Carl Weage	April 5, 2004
Robert F. Weeks	February 25, 2004
Philip R. Westfall	February 28, 2004
Grace M. Williams	October 16, 2003
Herman B. Wilson	April 3, 2004

The first step in notifying Northrop Grumman of a retiree's death is to call the Benefits Service Center at 800-859-4567. For many 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.

## STL/TRW/NG Reunion In Long Beach

*An update from Mary Carr*

Mail response to the STL/TRW/NG Picnic Reunion, to be held Sunday, October 10, 2004 at El Dorado Park, Long Beach, has indicated great interest and excitement. Both current employees and retirees have responded to rekindle past relationships and enjoy the camaraderie of former work teammates. Many ideas have been submitted for this very special event. Volunteers, suggestions, recommendations, and other information are welcome. If you are interested in helping, attending, or for more information, please contact Mary Carr, at 714-894-6618 or e-mail [Mary.Carr@ngc.com](mailto:Mary.Carr@ngc.com).

*Note: The NNG will carry additional information on this event in future issues.*

## Temecula Valley Luncheon Draws 16

The Temecula Valley Area TRW retirees gathered on May 12th for a luncheon at Los Jarrito's Restaurant in Murrieta. We had 16 people attending, including Howie Williams, Wayne Carey (Shirley), Dave Mitchell, Maureen Locken, Lana Jenkin, Marion Cronk (her husband Ted Cronk worked at TRW - now deceased), Lynne and Mitch Mitchell, June Timm, Len Pincus, Pauline and Reggie Reynolds, Bob Schrader, and Judy Lebovitz. It was a great afternoon with lots of interchange about TRW, Medicare, Health Insurance and mostly just small talk and visiting. Our next gathering will probably be in October. If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Judy Lebovitz, [jlebo6720@aol.com](mailto:jlebo6720@aol.com), or 909-461-0065.

## Upcoming TRA Meetings

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| Saturday, June 5:       | TRA Annual Meeting 11 a.m.-3 p.m.   |
| Thursday, June 17:      | No TRA Board Meeting  |
| Thursday, July 15:      | TRA Board Meeting (1-2 p.m.) and Forum Speaker: TRW Retiree Bill Dean will describe FIRST, a Robotics competition and demonstration. (2:00 to 3:00 p.m.) See article on Page 1 for details. |
| Thursday, August 19:    | Summer recess. No Board Meeting   |
| Thursday, September 16: | TRA Board Meeting (1-2 p.m.) and Forum Speaker (2:00-3:00 p.m.) Speaker to be announced.  |

## Free Parking at LA County Beaches

High cost of gasoline limiting your vacation plans? Then head for any of the many L.A. County beaches. Free weekday (M-F) daytime parking at L.A. County beaches is available to seniors (62 years+). To obtain this pass, send a copy of your driver's license and your auto registration to Department of Beaches and Harbors, 13837 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292. It takes several weeks to receive your pass in the mail. No passes are issued over the counter. For more details, call 310-305-9503. The pass is valid from Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

The County operates beaches down the coast from Malibu's Nicholas Canyon, Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica, Venice, Playa de Ray, Torrance to White Point in San Pedro. For details on each of these beaches, visit <http://beaches.co.la.ca.us/BandH/Beaches/main.htm>.

## MORE MAIL POUCH

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last October — only major snow was eight inches on 26 December — 78 degrees 30 March — snow all day 1 April, gone by evening. Gayle, who moved to Montana after husband, Art, died, sums up “I feel like I’m living in Camelot.” She would love to have visitors to enjoy the great fly fishing. You can e-mail her at [gaylesjuiceplus@oasisol.com](mailto:gaylesjuiceplus@oasisol.com) to make reservations♦♦♦♦He admits to being 90 years young and to being an optimist. That was **Bob Droz’s** proclamation that accompanied his two year renewal from Mendocino, CA. Along with his thanks to the TRA volunteers he extended a couple of invitations. “We live in an extraordinary place and I invite all of you to visit!” Plus! “For those who collect STL things I have a couple of lighters with the STL logo and Pioneer spacecraft attached plus some large STL patches that were used on the back of the smocks.” If interested give Bob a call at 707-937-0696 or POB 896, Mendocino 95460♦♦♦♦**Tom Herman** has renewed for three years from his Placerville home in the Sierra foothills. His excellent reason “...the only contact I have with TRW is via the Gazette and the website.” Tom, like so many others who have moved away, is hopeful that a volunteer will step forward to take over Dave Morrison’s job and keep the site going♦♦♦♦**Vic Dulock** is not just poking fun when he admits to being a gambling man. Retired in Las Vegas since 1999, he and **Maryann** travel a bit visiting children and grandchildren and then it’s “poker time.” He plays about every day and sometimes twice a day in low and medium limit games and tournaments. Plus, he deals a couple of days per week in the Circus Circus Poker Room. If you want to place a bet or up your ante, he can be reached at [vicandmarm@cox.net](mailto:vicandmarm@cox.net)♦♦♦♦**Don** and **Phyllis Wilson** are used to hitting a few bumps in the road. For years Don commuted from their Culver City home to the Valley and Phyllis to STL in El Segundo and later TRW in Redondo Beach. Then, while retired they towed their “Cram-A-Lot Inn” 16 foot travel trailer here and there about the country. Lately, however, the bumps have been high ridges. Phyllis is having vision problems due to Diabetic Retinopathy and in 1999 had to give up her license to the DMV, and about a year ago Don had triple bypass surgery with complications resulting in a 17 day hospital stay. But, Phyllis reports the road is getting smoother! As of late March, Don went into cardiac rehabilitation and they started planning the resumption of their retiree life of cruising on ocean liners and riverboats and the afore-



mentioned travel trailer. Phyllis has renewed her membership for three years, plus a “kitty” contribution, so expect future reports♦♦♦♦**Fred Brown** finds it pleasurable to renew his TRA membership. All is well with him and Marilyn and like so many others he has flunked retirement. He’s busy at Loyola Marymount University as Graduate Director of the Systems Engineering Leadership Program which is designed so that working engineers can enroll in evening classes leading to an MS in SE and an MBA. The program was started with the help of TRW and Dick Croxall and Ray Haynes. That plus consulting at Space Park with 4-D Leadership working with the NPOESS and JIMO Programs. Relaxation? You bet. A home in Sun Lakes, AZ, golfing and enjoying the desert sun♦♦♦♦**Ken** and **Carol Hoskins** would love to hear from any former coworkers at their home in Bartlett, TN. They’ve subscribed to the NNG for four more years and friends can add to their knowledge base by contacting [hosk5751@bellsouth.net](mailto:hosk5751@bellsouth.net)♦♦♦♦**Chuck** and **Mary Weekly** are back in the sunshine again after a five year contract working in Harrogate, England. In their five year renewal note from Phoenix, AZ they state it’s nice to be warm again but warn that the Phoenix summer sun can be a bit much after the coolness of England♦♦♦♦Short but long in content was the note from **Betty Birnbaum** “TRW may be gone but it lives on in our hearts. What a great company!”♦♦♦♦**Cornell Surany** doesn’t have a problem with the “high pay” TRA’s volunteers receive for the “terrific job keeping us informed about all that is going on. Please keep it up. We love to read it!” The Suranys are having a great time in the Del Webb community of Sun City Anthem in Henderson, NV, about ten minutes from the “Strip”♦♦♦♦Would you believe it, another note from Tennessee? **Dola Searle**, 1962--1992 (presumed years of service not age) reports from McMinnville that “spring is popping out all over and it is truly beautiful here. Thanks for your efforts put into the NNG. I do appreciate keeping updated.”♦♦♦♦The **Lowreys, Dean** and **Barbara**, have moved to Coto de Caza in Orange County to be near their family and 14 grandkids who frequent their San Clemente beach place. They are still involved in running a palm nursery in Santa Barbara but are focusing on helping the developmentally disabled. He has project managed a \$7 million rebuild of the Los Angeles Retarded Citizens (LARC) facility in Saugus and is now doing same for a Special Olympics training park on site. Dean and Barbara can be reached at [cotodean@aol.com](mailto:cotodean@aol.com)♦♦♦♦



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

**Vincent** and **Louise Neisus** report they are very much enjoying retirement in warm and sunny (generally) Atlanta, GA but still love to travel. Last year for example they visited the last of the seven continents by going to Antarctica and this year, still on a cooling trend, they expect to visit Iceland and Greenland. Friends traveling in the Atlanta area are urged to give them a call. If in town they'd love to hear from you♦♦♦**Clark Kirby** liked the gentle nagging by TRA of those who fail to renew their memberships. He was going to but, for some reason didn't, but finally did. He and **Dixielee** are still living in their Manhattan Beach, CA home of 47 years where they occasionally consider selling out and buying half of New Mexico or some other nice place but always conclude MB is the best place to be in between their journeys. Leaving soon for a short Baja trip, then to Ireland for three weeks. Back to Baja in June for a little (duration not size) fishing and then to Santa Fe for a portion of their outdoor opera. Next are Colorado relatives in August and then their 21st annual visit to Puerto Vallarta in September and October. (*Editor's Note: Whew!*)♦♦♦**Bob Baris** notes he was "aching" a bit in Aiken SC and at writing was recovered to 88% and going for a 100%. He reports that the TRA SE Chapter is still going strong with Jack Wiles



handling Bob's former duties of passing on information about Chapter activities. As always, he enjoys receiving the NNG and has renewed his subscription♦♦♦**Dave Mitchell** sadly related in March the problems he had in reporting wife **Joan's** passing last fall. As with many retirees he wandered through the Telephone wastelands for some time until a human surfaced to take his information. Reminded him of his retirement processing when he found that TRW Cleveland had different information than Space Park but they also had it in two different employee data bases. He sums up "Thank God that we're retired and have time to wait these guys out."♦♦♦**Joan Rughtive**, in her renewal envelope from Valley Center, CA includes thanks to the TRA volunteers who help keep her in touch with past coworkers and friends. "TRA is a wonderful tool..."♦♦♦In a very crisp missive, **George Gulnac** informed TRA/NNG from Weldon, CA "If this subscription outlasts me, I don't care what you do with the remainder." *So noted, George*♦♦♦In a gentle response to **John McCrummen's** rather frigid remarks about Montana weather in a recent NNG, **Gayle Sommer** writes "Hi John, don't know where your son and family live but here in the Bitterroot Valley south of Missoula the winter has been delightful — flurries the day I arrived

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