

Annual Meeting Set for June 4

HAPPENINGS AT NORTHROP GRUMMAN

Reported by Andrew W. Bairden

NORTHROP GRUMMAN

- NG received a contract from the Defense Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to develop electronic components made from gallium nitride, a next-generation semiconductor material system that provides vastly improved communications, radar and intelligence capability to the warfighter. This is a joint effort of the Space Technology and Electronic Sectors of NG.
- NG recently celebrated the grand opening of its newly consolidated Remotec, Inc. robotics facility at Clinton, Tennessee. "What a great way to start out a new year," said Mack Barber, president of Remotec, part of NG's Electronic Systems sector. "We are very proud of our new headquarters, engineering, and manufacturing facility. It's bigger and better and reflects the direction we're going as a company."
- NG has teamed with The Mariners' Museum, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S.Navy to construct a full-scale replica of the Civil War ironclad USS Monitor. The replica will be the centerpiece of the \$30 million USS Monitor Center at The Mariners' Museum in Newport News, Va.

SPACE TECHNOLOGY (NGST)

- NGST named Robert Burke vice president, Advanced Mission Programs, a new position with overall responsibility from inception to completion for a set of restricted programs. A 19-year veteran of the company, Burke, 41, has been a program manager at Space Technology sector since 2002.

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Correction

The previous edition of the NNG erroneously included Dale J. Fox's name in its In Memoriam column. Both Northrop Grumman and TRA deeply regret this error, and apologize to Dale Fox as well as all the others adversely affected by this error.

Summer is almost here, and with it comes our Annual Meeting and Reunion on Saturday, June 4, 2004. This year's speaker will be Dr. Alexis Livanos, the new president of the Space Technology Sector of Northrop Grumman. While Dr. Livanos hasn't informed us of his topic, it is certain to be informative about the future of both the Sector and Northrop Grumman Corp.

And there is more: meet old friends, have a fine lunch, and reminisce over photos from the past from the TRA Archives. As in the past, there will be the Art and Craft folks (see sign-up form on Page 5) and information tables from Northrop Grumman Benefits, TRA Travel Committee, Western Federal Credit Union, TRA Archives, and TRA Membership.

Members of TRA may bring a spouse or one other guest. As in the past, the meeting will be held at the S Building Forum and Patio Cafe, from 11 to 3. Meal tickets will be issued at no charge when you sign in at the door. No one will be served without a ticket.

Attendees unable to negotiate the stairs down to the patio level may use the elevator access through the East Entrance to the building if they bring their TRW Retirees ID and identify that need on their reservation form.

But it takes a lot of planning to provide all this. So PLEASE send in your reservation form now. You can either mail it in or register by e-mail. Send it to summer@trwretirees.org and provide name, full address, membership number (from mailing label), number attending, and elevator access info if needed.

Thanks,

Alice Lord, Activities Coordinator

Reservation Form — TRA's Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 4, 2005 from 11 to 3 in the S Building
Forum and Park Patio Café

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Membership No. (From mailing label on back page) _____

Number attending: (limit, 2 adults) _____

Yes, I will need elevator access to the patio

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TRA@trwretirees.org Your e-mails will be routed to the appropriate source. And, if we have your e-mail address on file, we send out special alerts at infrequent intervals. To get on the TRA e-mail list, just send us a brief e-mail requesting to be added to it.

By Web Page:

Our web page is at 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.

Membership:

TRA Membership is open to all TRW, NGST & NGMS retirees at \$7 per calendar year. First year free. Application on web page or call Betty Stover: 310- 370-0109

Important Phone Numbers for Retirees

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www.benefits.northropgrumman.com

Select "Retiree Connection"

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- 2) Survivor Advocate Team
- 3) Health & Welfare Benefits
- 4) Pensions
- 5) Benefits Service Representative
- 6) Other Items

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800-537-7694

One Space Park, S/2451
Redondo Beach, CA 90278

TRW Retiree Meetings Around the U.S.

GROUP	MEETING LOCATION	TIME & DATE	OTHER INFO	CONTACT
TRA	Bldg. S Park Patio Cafe, Space Park	See notice elsewhere in NNG	Business Meeting 1:00 p.m. followed by Forum at 2:15 p.m.	No reservations needed. All Members Welcome
ATD	Alpine Village, Torrance, CA	Nov. 1, 11:30 a.m.	Social and Nostalgia	Don Brown, Sandy Friedfeld, Bob Traylor 310-541-1917 or sandjol@aol.com
Brevard Retards	Various Locations in Brevard, NC	1st Tues. 8 a.m. 3rd Tues. 5 p.m.	Social	Al & Daughn Connarn 828-554-4993 aconnard@yahoo.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 Chapter	Barnhill's Buffet University Drive, Huntsville	2nd Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Jim Troy 256-534-7136 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
Ogden	Cracker Barrel Restaurant Layton, UT	1st Thursday Breakfast	Social	Fred Zeuthen 801-476-0656 fzeuthen@earthlink.net
San Bernardino	Norton AFB Golf Club	October	Social plus programs of interest	Joe Daruty 909-792-8022 jdaruty@aol.com
SE Chapter	St. Augustine, FL	Spring, 2005	Social & Historic	Jack Wiles 215-255-1510 jwiles@webtv.net
San Diego Chapter	Event Dependent	3rd Tuesday	Social or Board Meeting	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 trwdesertretirees.blogspot.com	Joe Clopton 760-342-8171 joeclopton@dc.rr.com
The Ventura County Romeos	Du-Pars Thousand Oaks, CA	1st Tuesday 12:00 noon	Social	Fred Blaich 805-499-0012 harrison_stroud@hotmail.com

TRAVel News

UPCOMING TRIPS AND EVENTS

LAUGHLIN

May 1-3, 2005

3 days and 2 nights at the Flamingo Hilton. Deluxe motor coach. Fun pack and 2 buffets, bus driver tip, refreshments en route and coffee and rolls prior to departure. Deadline, April 4. \$65.00 pp/do, \$79.00 sgl. Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

YOSEMITE

June 5-8, 2005

4 day, 3 nights at Chuck Chansi Resort. 6 meals. Yosemite valley, Sugar Pine RR and cookout, Bass Lake cruise plus. \$338 pp/do (\$438 sgl). \$50 deposit now. Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

BLACK SEA & DANUBE DISCOVERY CRUISE

August 26-September 6, 2005

Budapest (2 nts), Kalocsa, Belgrade, Iron Gate, Rousee, Constanta(cruise Black Sea), and Bucharest (1 nt). Includes guided sightseeing, folklore performances, lectures, theme dinners, buffet bkfst in Budapest and Bucharest, all meals on board with wine (7 nights). \$2249.00 pp/do plus air. \$500.00 deposit pp by 30 May. Final due June 10, refundable until June10. Less \$100 AARP discount, \$25 TRA bonus. Jay Seidman, 818-343-5171

September 12-17, 2005

BRANSON: Betty Kay Addis, 310-379-6988

October 3-7m 2005

PONY EXPRESS: Jim Addis, 310-379-6988

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.

Travel Committee Plans for 2005

We are planning the following additional trips/events for 2005. Each trip/event has a coordinator assigned. Please contact the coordinator if you are interested in any of these trips, with questions, suggestions or comments.

May

Rose Garden (Huntington Library) Sue Anderson, 310-371-5316

June

Harrah's Rincon Sue Anderson, 310-371-5316

August

Alaska Cruise/Tour Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

September

Utah/Canyon Lands Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

Classic Italy Jay Seidman, 818-343-5171

October

French Riviera and Paris Hy Chase, 310-274-1548

Reno Sue Anderson, 310-371-5316

November

Las Vegas Tom Tucknott, 310-530-4992

Morango/Cabizon Sue Anderson, 310-371-5316

December

Christmas at Universal Jim Addis, 310-379-6988

Hong-King (Christmas shopping) Hy Chase, 310-274-1548

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HAPPENINGS AT NORTHROP GRUMMAN

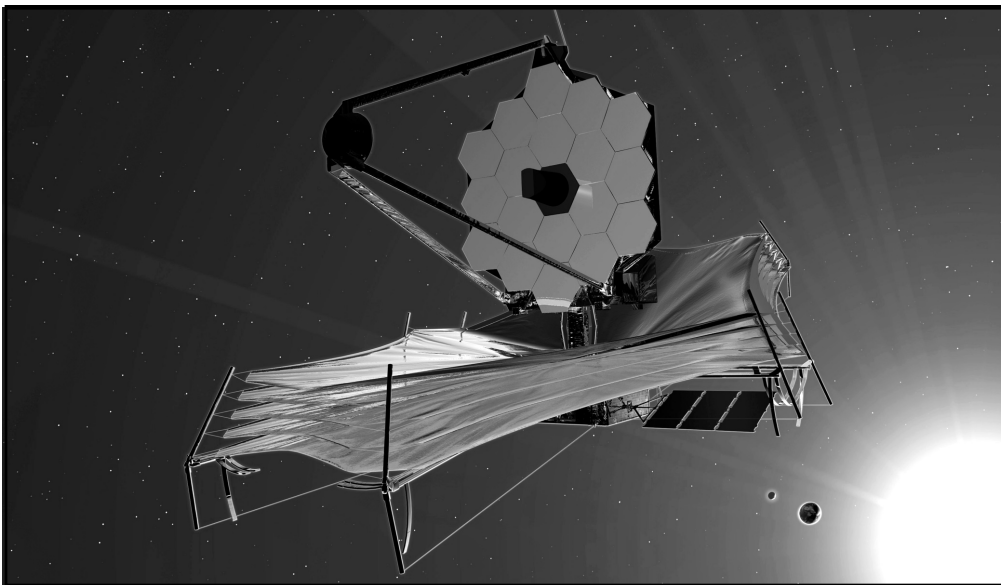
- A life-size model of the James Webb Space Telescope is on display at the 21st National Space Symposium. With its hexagonal-shaped mirror and five-layer sunshield, viewers get a glimpse of what NASA's next-generation space telescope – which is the about the size of a regulation tennis court – will look like in space.

MISSION SYSTEMS (NGMS)

- NGMS has received a delivery order to provide integrated security solutions to U.S. Air Force bases in Southwest Asia. Under this delivery order, NGMS will survey sites, install systems, and provide support services to help protect military personnel in the U.S. Central Command Air Forces area of responsibility, which includes Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan, and Qatar.
- NGMS will lead a team to compete for the prime role at the U.S. Missile Defense Agency's Joint National Integration Center (JNIC). Located at Schriever Air

Force Base, the JNIC is the U.S. Department of Defense's premier missile-defense wargaming center, providing a one-of-a-kind environment for commanders to develop and confirm operational concepts. NGMS will lead a team of 23 other contractors and serve as systems integrator for the team that will work together as a single entity.

- NGMS and Silicon Graphics, Inc. have signed a cooperative agreement that combines their visualization and technology expertise to revolutionize how warfighters make decisions in the battlespace. Systems engineering and integration work will be performed at NGMS's Advanced Concepts Demonstration Laboratory (ACDL), at its Mission Systems sector in Reston, Va. The ACDL is a corporate-wide showcase for capabilities in visualization, collaboration, and innovative use of command and decision-management data.



A Northrop Grumman rendering of the James Webb Space Telescope. 36 hexagonal petals compose the mirror. The five-layer sunshield (lower center) is 72 x 33 feet, only slightly smaller than a tennis court.

Upcoming TRA Meetings

Thursday, May 19	TRA Board meeting (1-2 p.m.) Bldg. S Park Patio Café, followed by Forum Program: V.P. Dick Croxall will speak on the programs and technology involved in the aerospace business today. (2:15-3:15 p.m.) See article on Page 5.
Saturday, June 4	Summer Annual Meeting (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.) Bldg. S Cafeteria. NGST President Alexis Livanos speaker. See full details on Page 1.
Thursday, Sept. 15	TRA Board meeting (1-2 p.m.) Bldg. S Park Patio Café, followed by a Forum program on Identity Theft by a specialist from the Western Federal Credit Union. (2:15-3:15 p.m.)

Forum Series — May 19

V.P. Dick Croxall Forum Speaker in May

Dick Croxall, Vice President, Mission Assurance and Chief Engineer, NG Space Technology, will be our Forum speaker on Thursday, May 19. Many of you will remember Dick's inspiring presentation at our 2002 Summer Annual Meeting.

Our old TRW has changed in its focus and culture in several important aspects. Dick will discuss "Space Park" as it is today, its current structure and programs, its business goals, the new advanced technologies being used, many centered around "Information Technology," and how the company has changed since we turned it over to those younger and smarter guys and gals. Hear what "THEY" have done to "OUR" company.

The Forum lasts for about an hour, starting at 2:15 p.m. in the Park Patio Café. TRA provides coffee, soft drinks, and cookies. Come share a snack and learn about today's "Space Park" from this outstanding leader and informative speaker.

For this superb speaker, we are expecting a large attendance. While reservations are not necessary, it would be helpful to our planning if those with e-mail would notify us if they plan to attend. Just send an e-mail to TRA@trwretirees.org and mention the May Forum and the number attending. Thanks for your help.

IN MEMORIAM

Retiree Name	Date of Death
Robert Allen Bassine	March 12, 2005
James Bell	January, 2004
Joseph S. Dalrymple	February 24, 2005
Allen E. Klieves, II	December 20, 2003
Valerie A. Miller	January 1, 2005
Richard G. Mulligan	March 16, 2005
Jackie Alden Ogden	January 9, 2005
W. Lee O'Malley	December 15, 2004
Adolph "Al" Scharf	February 19, 2005
W. Joe Wellens	February 25, 2005

The first step in notifying Northrop Grumman of a retiree's death is to call the Benefits Service Center at 800-894-4194, Option 2. For many retirees, there is a Burial Benefit which will be paid to the beneficiary upon proper notification of death.

The above names were submitted by TRA members. If you know of a deceased retiree that should be included in the "In Memoriam" column in future NNGs, please submit the following by mail or e-mail to the TRA office.

- Name of the deceased,
- Date of Death
- Name of person submitting the information
- Relation of this person to the deceased (family member, or if friend, how you knew the deceased.)
- A printed Funeral Service Announcement, when available, should also be included to help establish the authenticity of the information.

11th Art & Craft Show June 4

Show your fellow retirees your long-hidden artistic talent. BR (Before Retirement) you were too busy earning a living to follow your artistic pursuits; but look what you have accomplished since you retired. Come share it with us at the very popular Art & Craft Show, held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 4th. This exhibition and sale provides a venue for TRA's talented to showcase their creations.

Easels and display tables will be available to satisfy display requirements. As usual, there will be no cost to the exhibitor.

If you plan to exhibit your work, please return the application form. Artist-Exhibitors must be paid-up TRA members or their spouses, and may exhibit only their own work. No third party exhibitions or sales, please. Once your application form is received, you will be contacted for information on your needs for display space or other special requirements. June is right around the corner so call Bob Rupkey at 310-515-2669 to make sure your space is reserved.

Artist-Exhibitor Application

I would like to exhibit my work at the Arts and Craft Exhibition in conjunction with the TRA Annual Meeting on June 4, 2005.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Memberhihp No. (From mailing label) _____

Please attach a brief description of the material you would like to display.

Detach and mail to TRA, PO Box 1276, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

TRA to the Rescue, Again!

Recently TRA Treasurer Jack Williams received a phone call from his long-time friend, Tom Donnelly, Northrop Grumman Manager of Security Investigations at the Space Technology Sector. Tom needed help.

A Manhattan Beach resident had called NG with the following story: Sometime in the 1960s, an engineer from TRW had given her a "part of the Lunar Excursion Module" (LEM). She was young and going to college, and the engineer wanted to encourage her to major in engineering. The part was heavy (40 – 50 pounds) and was a shell of some sort made of a ceramic. She left this item in her back yard until just recently, when she decided to move it into her front yard.

One of her neighbors stopped to admire the "pot," and she told him the story. His reaction was immediate. It might contain asbestos, which would make it hazardous. And, if not hazardous, then as part of the LEM, it should be in a museum.

The Manhattan Beach resident then called Space Park, and was transferred to Tom Donnelly. He sent the NG Hazardous Materials team to recover the object, and soon it was locked up in a NG Chemical Stores locker. Now his job was to find out what it was and if it was indeed hazardous.

Where to start? So Tom called Jack Williams, hoping that the TRA would be able to locate a LEM engineer who could answer his questions. This was two days before our Spring Fling at the Proud Bird in Hawthorne, with 90 TRA members expected. Jack invited Tom to the Spring Fling, and introduced him to the assembly. Tom started his pitch, holding up a photo of the mystery object. (See adjacent photo.)

Sure enough, his problem was solved. Sandy Friedfeld was there and spoke up, identifying the part as the ablative liner for the nozzle on the LEM descent engine. (It was this descent engine that enabled the Apollo 13 astronauts to return safely from space.) Sandy had been the lead design engineer on the LEM descent engine! The part was an extra part, left over from the production of the engines, and is completely inert.

Where is the part now? The NG Propulsion Group has claimed it. They are working on a proposal and want to show their customer the earlier part from TRW. Darrell Ausherman, TRA VP and leader of our Archives activities, would like to add it to the Northrop Grumman Archives and hold it until an exhibition place can be found for it.



The liner for the LEM descent engine. A NG badge is near the base to scale the object.

STILL MORE MAIL POUCH

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some 14 years and work 14 to 18 weekends a year at the tracks as volunteers. Both are licensed Tech inspectors and also licensed in registration. *(Note to Allen: My little Dolphin Motor Home is gone! When last I heard the new owner was exploring Florida.)* ♦♦♦♦**Kay Martin** spent a lot of years on TRW's payroll but not all of it on TRW's real estate. He was a field type spending time in Australia, England and elsewhere until a final deployment in Colombia. He finally retired in 2004. On one of his early overseas assignments in Australia he met **Jack** and **Jan Dickert** who had the opportunity during the El Nino season in 1983 to tell him that their son, Rick, had a strong interest in meteorology. Now its 20 February 2005 and Kay is home in Los Angeles watching the weather report on FOX Channel 11. It was a good report by a good weatherman who happened to be named Rick Dickert. A quick check with Jack and Jan in Redondo Beach and sure enough, it was their son♦♦♦♦

MORE MAIL POUCH

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And, of course, the *NNG* went right along with them. Now they are looking to put down some roots, "...probably in Grand Junction, CO. I enjoy reading the Mail Pouch and appreciate the opportunity to keep up with the other news. Thank you for the Gazette!" ♦♦♦The **Brocks** are keeping busy! With a four year TRA renewal comes word from Las Cruces, NM that **Otto** and **Charlene** are involved in volunteer work for the Bureau of Land Management where he checks old Indian sites weekly to ensure they haven't been disturbed. She is chairman of the Nienburg, Germany Sister City affiliation and last October they hosted 19 German visitors and spent a week touring them around NM. Last year for a little change of pace they visited Washington, DC for a reunion of the crew of Otto's ship during his navy days, then Fort Worth, TX for a conference, Chicago for a dinner cruise, Arizona for fun, collecting used medical equipment in Utah for sister city Lerdo, Mexico and a jaunt to California for the wedding of Charlene's daughter. "Needless to say we're enjoying life, good health and each issue of the *NNG*." ♦♦♦**Leo Trujillo** has a message for all of his friends at TRW/Northrop Grumman. "Stop by and spend money in Santa Maria." Got it? It turns out Leo was reelected to the Santa Maria, CA city council last November and just as he did at Space Park, he takes his duties very seriously ♦♦♦**John** and **Julia Wedg-bury** are "always looking" from their home in Victoria on Vancouver Island in Canada where they settled when he retired, "being old Brits and all that..." What are they looking for? It seems they've never seen another TRW face. Although they are just across the border from Seattle "it could be 6 million miles away. Surely, there must be one or two in this vast country." So, if you happen to be on the Island check the phone book or drive by 194 Werra Road to say hello ♦♦♦**Jack** and **Nell Nelson** are enjoying the peace and quiet in Lake Charles, LA where they have "lots of trees and wild life." Speaking of wild life they next write "Mardi Gras this year was spectacular. Best regards to you hard working volunteers." ♦♦♦**Jim Holm-beck** reports on a great coincidence he discovered in North Carolina. It seems that the license plates there have cycled through the alphabet to where TRW plates are out on the highway. After quite a bit of searching, the Pisgah Forest resident found a plate agency 30 miles away where he was able to change three sets of good plates for new TRW ones. The clerks thought it, or he possibly, was a bit strange to want such an exchange until Jim explained he had retired from *TRW* after some 27 years and the company didn't exist anymore and they swapped. Now he is probably the only one on the "hill" with such distinctive labels. However, he had



better keep his eye on **Al Connarn** over on the next ridge ♦♦♦**Warren** and **Rosalie Wright** have emigrated, and then some. They have left the *left* coast and now live in Oro Valley, Arizona. Where? It's about 14 miles north of Tucson along the Catalina Mountains. "Less people and traffic with gorgeous mountains, fantastic sunsets and open rolling desert." And, to round out their "resort living" they are putting in a pool and spa. Also, they gave a small world report. They just returned from a Tahiti and Marquesas Islands cruise and while exploring the little town of Taiohae on Nuka Hiva they see, walking down the street toward them, **Ralph** and **Melanie Turkolu**! It turns out the "T's" were off another ship in the harbor ♦♦♦**Phil Williams** has scaled the heights in Colorado Springs! He was recently elected the 2005 President of the Pikes Peak Chapter of the Colorado Archaeological Society ♦♦♦Recent retiree **Candace Tibbett (Sowins)** and husband **Tom** are living and enjoying life as empty nesters in Cambria, CA. Both sons are in the USAF and daughter Lisa is living in Northern CA ♦♦♦The **Mark Newmans** have a new email address at their home in SaddleBrooke, AZ. It is now newmarcat@robsoncom.net. They have been there almost 12 years now, still like it and have no plans to move ♦♦♦**Larry Mercier** is back on line in Torrance, CA at lmjrca@msn.com while still recovering from an early January hospital visit. He had open heart surgery on the 3rd which went quite well but while hospitalized picked up a virus which he is slowly but surely recovering from ♦♦♦**Ann O'Hare**, who used to know nearly everyone when she graced Building E2's lobby some years back, notes (on aging and increasingly rare TRW note paper) that she loves those photos of parties in the *NNG*, but....."who are these people?" Ann spent her pre-retirement years doing journalistic things at BMD/Norton AFB and sums up her frustration by venting "Time not only marches on...Time is a thief! AARGH!" ♦♦♦**Rita Best** is now back in California, Sun City to be exact but in her move from Florida she lost some things, including **John** and **Sonna Feneck's** address. The last she heard they were in Canada and she wants them to know that her guest room has their name on it should they visit the Southland. If you can help, Rita can be reached at 27250 Murrieta RD. Spc. 257, Sun City 92586 ♦♦♦**Alan Coy**, who helped TRA gain some altitude with some TRW financing before he retired, is still contributing—this time four years of dues! He and **Penny** are anchored in Apple Valley, CA where they are still very active in race track activities—racing, not wagering! They have been members of the Sports Car Club of America for

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THE MAIL POUCH — Sorted and Delivered by Bob Crowe

Mary Miller notes from Torrance, CA that spouse, Nick, who passed on in October 2003, always enjoyed keeping in touch through the *NNG* and she wants to maintain the tradition through TRA membership♦♦♦♦**Arnie Devine** sends thanks for the *NNG* from Manhattan Beach, CA. He really appreciated seeing two pictures of wife **Nickie** in the January issue. (*Ed. Note: Would you believe they were included as a readership acuity test?*)♦♦♦♦**Maria (Kiper) Wilkens** and husband, **Jim**, are loving retirement in their new home at Lake Anna, VA, except they are missing hearing from old friends. You can cheer them up at mariawilkens@earthlink.net♦♦♦♦**Ron L'Heureux** is at it again! His third career would you believe? This time he is a marketer for his and wife, **Patti's**, Comfort Keepers franchise in Orange, CA where they provide in-home care services for seniors in need of such help. Meal preparation, light housekeeping, companionship and personal care services are on the menu. Ron would be happy to explain it all if you contact him at ronaldlheureux@aol.com♦♦♦♦**Pat Roberts** carefully explains that it is not a family portrait on her note card from Henderson, NV. Rather, five quite wrinkled Shar-Pei puppies, not retirees, smile happily at the world. She and spouse, **Mike**, are thoroughly enjoying their Nevada life. Heavy rains but no mudslides or floods in their neighborhood, and the surrounding mountains are beautiful with



snow. She is happy working at Lowe's and Mike is planning on retiring from Sunbeam this year. They both agree that Henderson is the right place for them♦♦♦♦Another Nevadan signs in with dues and news. **Jenny Sanders** reports from Reno that she has been notified by the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum that her book, *The Funny Things That Happened on The Way to Launch*, has been accepted for their archives. "We are all now an official part of Space History."♦♦♦♦In a very short but very welcome note, **Bill McIvers** sends best regards from San Diego where he is probably still shaking his head over his Space Park adventures as he moved from the stable, respectable world of College Relations Manager in the first level (basement) of R5 to the lofty job of Personnel Manager on the upper floors of E1♦♦♦♦Crisp, to-the-point member feedback comes from **Walt Rusanoff** in Torrance. "Two Comments: 1. What do you make the check out to? 2. The mailing label is reduced to where you cannot read the member number. It is smudged and a magnifying glass does not help. PS Some seniors' eyes get worse with age." (*Walter, You are right on target!*)♦♦♦♦**Jerry** and **Susan Norton** have been on the move, and then some. In two and one half years of full time RVing, they've traveled through 44 states and seen many wonderful places and beautiful sights.

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