

**TRA's**

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# **GAZETTE**

**For Northrop Grumman & TRW Legacy Retirees**

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## **FREE South Bay (Los Angeles) Classical Music Performances**

*By Carol Schamp*

Did you know? When hearing familiar music, both musicians and non-musicians activate a key brain area, the hippocampus, and neuroscientists have found that musical memories can be preserved even when most other memories are lost. So, if you want to develop more musical memories, try these:

- My personal favorite, the Peninsula Symphony, in its 49th season, plays at Redondo Beach Union High School Auditorium four or five times per year. It is a community orchestra with half current professional musicians and half trained musicians who are either retired or pursuing other career paths. For further information, check [www.PenSym.org](http://www.PenSym.org) or call their office at (310) 544-0320.
- Tied for my favorite, the South Bay Chamber Music Society, in its 50th season, plays monthly at Harbor College, Fridays at 8 pm and repeats each concert at Pacific Unitarian Church in Palos Verdes on Sundays at 3 p.m. For further information, check [www.PalosVerdes.com/SBCMS](http://www.PalosVerdes.com/SBCMS) or call (320) 379-7055. Great acoustics in both venues.

There are countless other opportunities for superb free concerts around this area. Jim Eninger, a music aficionado and a former TRW ATD brilliant scientist collects massive information about music performances and produces a free Chamber Music Newsletter. To subscribe free, send your request to [JEninger@Yahoo.com](mailto:JEninger@Yahoo.com) or <http://www.palosverdes.com/ClassicalCrossroads/ConcertReminders.htm>

A couple of examples:

**First Fridays at First!** Saturday afternoons at 3 p.m. (new time for 2016), First Lutheran Church & School, 2900 W. Carson Street, Torrance, CA 90503 <http://www.palosverdes.com/ClassicalCrossroads/FirstFridays.htm>. The concerts also are presented on the preceding Friday evenings on the *Music By The Sea* recital series in the beautiful Encinitas Library. From January through June, the concerts are presented on the following Sundays on Beverly Hills' *Music in the Mansion* recital series in the Beverly Hills' historic Greystone Mansion. ***"The series is a much-sought opportunity for young performers... the talent level is extremely high."*** Los Angeles Times

**Second Sundays at Two!** Second Sundays of the month at 2:00 PM sharp! Rolling Hills United Methodist Church, 26438 Crenshaw Blvd., Rolling Hills Estates, CA <http://goo.gl/gBLUPl>

## **TRA International Printing Museum Tour**

**March 10, 2016**

At long last, a *special* adult-only guided tour of the *International Printing Museum* just for TRA members, families and friends. Each tour (see form below) can accommodate only 60 people so the first 120 to sign up will be guaranteed a place. This is a popular tour so don't wait until the last minute to sign up or you may miss out. There will be 2 presentations on each morning and afternoon tour, by the famous "Benjamin Franklin," who is amazing! While one group is in the auditorium listening to "Ben", the other group will have a special guided tour of the printing presses – then you switch places. If you think this might be boring – you would be so wrong! Both the presentation and the tour are fascinating. There is so much to learn and experience. The museum also has special events for children and adults all year long that you will probably want to attend on your own. This may become your favorite "go to" museum because it is interactive and offers a chance for you to express your creativity. You can even rent a press to create and print your very own special cards, etc. And it's right in our neighborhood – Carson – so you will drive there on your own or arrange to go in a carpool with your friends. Lunch is on your own, but there are plenty of places in the area to eat if you so desire.

**Date:** Thursday, March 10, 2016, either at 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

**Cost:** \$10 per person.

Make your check payable to TRA. Mail your tour fee with the completed form on Page 7 by March 1, 2016 to

**Beth O'Gorman, 5508 Ironwood St. RPV 90275**  
(310-375-3088)

The International Printing Museum is located at 315 W Torrance Boulevard (just east of the 110 freeway), Carson, CA 90745. Their website: <http://www.printmuseum.org>.

### **Upcoming Events**

TRA Printing Museum Tour      March 10, 2016

TRA Spring Fling\*                      April 14, 2016

\*Details to be provided in the March NNG

## TRA for Northrop Grumman Retirees

The Retirees Association (TRA) welcomes the retirees of Northrop Grumman and TRW.

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310-833-5827

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[TRA@tra-spacepark.org](mailto:TRA@tra-spacepark.org) Your emails will be routed to the appropriate source. And, if we have your e-mail address on file, we send out special alerts to TRA members as the need arises. To get on the TRA email list, just send us a brief email requesting to be added to it.

### By Web Page:

Our web page is at [www.tra-spacepark.org](http://www.tra-spacepark.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. Log on and browse.

### For Membership:

TRA Membership is open to all Northrop Grumman and TRW-legacy retirees at \$10 per calendar year. First year free. Application on web page or call 310-833-5827.

## NG/TRW Retirees Meetings Around the U.S.

GROUP	MEETING LOCATION	TIME & DATE	OTHER INFO	CONTACT
TRA	Bldg. S/Cafeteria, Space Park	3rd Thurs. Monthly	Business Meeting 1:30 p.m.	No reservations needed. All Members Welcome
ATD Friends & Colleagues	Palos Verdes Golf Club, 3301 Via Campesina, PVE, CA 90274, (310) 375-2533	1st Tuesday in Nov. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Social, Nostalgia and Lunch Res. Deadline: Mon. 24 Oct. '16	Don Reeves, Jack Trost, Carol Schamp cschamp@aol.com 310-377-2194
Brevard Retirees	Various Locations in Brevard, N.C.	1st Wed. 8 a.m. 3rd Wed. 5 p.m.	Social	Al & Daughn Connarn 828-884-4993 aconnam@yahoo.com
Central Coast Chapter	Various Locations in the Central Coast Area	Various days: call Zaiser for details	Social	George Zaiser 805-473-2105 gzais@cloud.com
Beach Cities Get-together	Grunions Restaurant 1501 N. Sepulveda Blvd., M.B., CA	Last Mon., Even months. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Social	Allen Parker 310-780-0712 777allendsp@gmail.com
Houston Chapter	Baybrook Denny's, 19212 Gulf Fwy Friendswood, Tex.	3rd Tuesday 8:30 a.m.	Social	Gary Dinsmore 281-461-6270 samngary@att.net
Huntsville Chapter	Ryan's Buffet 1808 University Drive NW, Huntsville	2nd Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Jim Troy 850-797-0044 jtroy@troysig.com www.TRA-Huntsville.org
Las Vegas	Various Locations in Las Vegas Metro Area	Last Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Carol Noblet 702-889-6773 cannob70@gmail.com
Northern Virginia	Old Brogue Pub Great Falls, Va.	3rd Friday 11:30 a.m.	Social	Bill Gehrke 703-759-0527 wgehrke@att.net
Ogden	Cracker Barrel Restaurant Layton, Ut.	1st Thursday Breakfast	Social	Charles Vono 801-745-5879 charlesvono@comcast.net
San Diego Chapter	Event Dependent	3rd Tuesday Alternate Months	Social or Board Meeting <a href="http://sandiego.tra-spacepark.org">http://sandiego.tra-spacepark.org</a>	Jim Denton 858-385-0150 JWDenton@san.rr.com
Temecula Valley	J. Carters Grill 40365 Murrietta Hot Springs Rd., Murrietta, CA	2nd Wednesday Lunch	Social	Maureen Locken 951-244-7654 maureen_locken@yahoo.com
The Mountain Folks	Various Locations in the Denver Area	First week of each quarter	"We do have fun!"	Carl Winkelman 303-693-0034 winkelman@att.net
TRIN	SS. Brigid & Branden Room, American Martyrs Church, Manhattan Beach, CA	2nd Thursday 12:30 p.m.	Investment Info based on monthly newsletter reviews	Bob Eshbaugh 310-376-5880 eshonnet@yahoo.com
Ventura Romeos	Mimi's Cafe Thousand Oaks	1st Tuesday Lunch	Social	Fred Blaich 805-499-0012 or Harry Stroud 805-653-5117

**IN MEMORIAM**

Sally Grace Gruben, 77, October 14, 2015, Systems Engineer and Project Manager, Rtd. TRW 1993  
 Ann Hutchison, 81, December 20, 2015. For info on the Celebration of Life on Jan. 30, call Momi Ono at 310-813-2029  
 Marlin Ray Larsen\*, 85, September 2, 2015, Electrical Technician on DSP  
 Laurence (Larry) R. Maynard, 95, November 1, 2015  
 Hiroyuki Miyatake, 86, December 16, 2015  
 Margaret (Peggy) M. Mullins, 81, September 11, 2015, Executive Secretary, San Diego  
 Zoltan A. Sarkozy, 71, October 25, 2015  
 John R. Sharp, 80, November 19, 2015, Electrical Engineer, Rtd. TRW 1991  
 Lyle John Stoltenberg, 93, September 12, 2015, Rtd. 1986, 10 years at TRW  
 Kenneth George Wallig, 85, October 15, 2015  
 Fred M. Williams, 88, September 30, 2015, Rtd. TRW 1987, Contracts

- Previously reported, but with typo.

The first step in notifying Northrop Grumman of a retiree's death is to call the NG Benefits Service Center at 800-894-4194. For many retirees, there is a Burial Benefit which will be paid to the beneficiary upon proper notification of death. The Benefits Center does NOT notify TRA of the death due to privacy laws.

If you know of a deceased retiree that should be included in the "In Memoriam" column in future NNGs, please inform us by either mail or email to the TRA office. As a minimum, we need the name of the deceased; date of death; and the name of the person submitting the information. If more information is available and desired, include age, position and years at NG/TRW, any notable programs, and special skills.

**Newsletter Editor Needed**

TRA's No Name Gazette is key to keeping its 2000+ members informed of its parties and tours, the doings of the current members, its In Memoriam column, and much more. Now we need a new editor of the NNG. Its current editor, Al Hausrath, is retiring after 23 years on the job. The duties are simple:

- Just six publications annually
- Promote three TRA parties
- Interface with the TRA Board as needed
- Photoshop experience desirable to size and crop photos
- Coordinate inputs from the other contributors, i.e. Happenings and The Mail Pouch
- Send finished document as a pdf to printer

Desktop publishing software will be provided by TRA. Contact Al Hausrath at tra-spacepark.org if interested. Don't delay.

**52 More Retirees Join TRA**

TRA welcomes our 52 new members. The complete list with their home towns is listed on our web site: tra-spacepark.org. We hope these new members will send a note to us for the Mail Pouch, telling us a little about themselves and where they worked at Northrop Grumman. Send to tra@tra-spacepark.org or to TRA, P.O. Box 1276, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

**MAIL POUCH**

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in 1959, and raised a family there. Now the **Marcia** and **Don Ramsey** home is redone and upgraded, thanks to the son Dana and daughter Debbie Ramsey-Boz. Don was at TRW Semiconductors initially, then transferred to TRW Systems for a total of 27½ years. Sad news: their oldest son Donny recently died, age 57. Look for their grandson, Ryan Boz, age 14, an actor and dancer, in "Secrets & Lies" on ABC and on other media, too. Don and Marcia love emails. Send them to marciaramseyanotary@yahoo.com♦♦♦♦**Kate Brady** (El Segundo, CA) finds it hard to believe she's been retired for 24 years, and she still has unfinished projects around her house. But she's enjoying life fully, is healthy, happy, and gardening♦♦♦♦The TRA party photos mean a lot to **Norma Bougher**. She lives in Kimberling City, MO, so she can't attend the TRA functions. But she still recognizes some of her former co-workers. She is still active, leading two or three tours annually. *But it's best to be at home on the lake in the Ozarks♦♦♦♦*

**Important Contacts for Retirees**

Northrop Grumman Benefits Center  
[www.benefits.northropgrumman.com](http://www.benefits.northropgrumman.com)  
 Select "Retiree Connection"  
 Or by phone: 800-894-4194

Here you can get help on health benefits, pensions, savings, and to report a death. It's all voice activated, so just listen to the instructions and answer the first few questions to reach a representative.

Towers Watson's OneExchange  
<https://medicare.oneexchange.com/NGC>  
 Or by phone: 855-832-0976

If your Medicare Supplemental Insurance coverage has been transferred from the NGBC to OneExchange, this is your contact information.





The busy "Conversation Room"

# TRA's Holi

The Ports O'Call Restaurant in San Pedro was again December 4, 2015. There photos are by Mary Holcomb tra-spacepark.org.

## Activities Committee



Nicki Noble

Rochelle Venegas

Beth O'Gorman

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Lourdes Monzon



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Esther Bridgeman

Rose Marie Keidel



Evy Paulson

Martha Thom



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Diane & Jerry Klayman



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Barbara & LeRoy Herold



Sally Abling



Alice Scoville

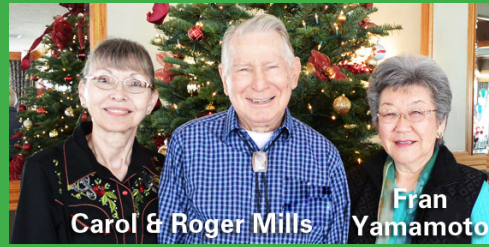
Shirlene Conklin



Brian



Diane & George Dvorsky



Carol & Roger Mills

Fran Yamamoto



Sharon Boyer



Clifford & Winnie Pa



# Holiday Party

the site of our annual Holiday Party held on De-  
. To see all the photos, visit our web page at [www.](http://www.)



The "Music Room" with its large dance floor



Dena Bouskos  
Marcy Morrison



Kay & Reggie Jue



Patrick Shea  
Sue Baker



Vicki & James Cunningham  
Tom Thompson



Linda  
Venczel



John & Joann Kropp



Nickie & Arnold Devine



Tim Galvin



Lydia Smith



Pauline Yim



Melinda  
Turkolu



Mike & Alice Pauls



John Ward



John Piacentini  
Gerald Kiper



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Lynn  
Shiu Mei  
Steen



Bill & Barbara Busch



JoAnn



JoAnn & Ralph Kaye



John & Bev Marts



Karen Petersen



Linda Venczel



# The ATD Colleagues and Friends Luncheon

November 3, 2015

Photos by Jack Trost



Herb Suer Jack Hardgrove



Doug Gordon



Arpad Pallai John Chedotte



Sharon Nixon John Latimore Cindy McCully



Isabel & Pat Pomphrey Charlie Clendening



Jerri Quintin Carolyn Hoefler



Roger Orman Jean Elverum



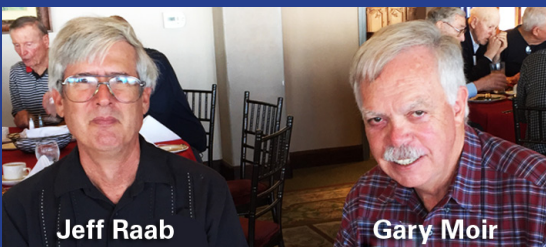
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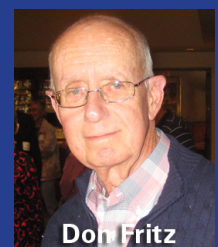
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Fred Jackson Kenneth King



Norm Richman Dwight Moberg Don Variano



Don Fritz



## HAPPENINGS AT NORTHROP GRUMMAN

### Aerospace Systems Sector (NGAS)

► PALMDALE, CA — NGAS has delivered the center fuselage for Japan's first F-35 Joint Strike Fighter, an F-35A conventional takeoff and landing (CTOL) aircraft designated AX-1. As a principal member of the Lockheed Martin-led F-35 industry team, NGAS designed and produces the center fuselage for all three F-35 variants: the F-35A; the F-35B short takeoff vertical landing variant; and the F-35C carrier variant. It is the 206th center fuselage that the company has produced at its Palmdale Aircraft Integration Center of Excellence, and the 44th such unit delivered this year.



By Frank Warren

► REDONDO BEACH, CA — NGAS reached another major milestone for NASA's James Webb Space Telescope, with the delivery of the Deployable Tower Assembly (DTA). Following successful ambient and thermal vacuum testing, the DTA was delivered to the Space Park facility, where the Webb Telescope is being assembled. The graphite DTA was designed, built and tested by NGAS's Astro Aerospace. NASA's James Webb Space Telescope is made up of four major components — the telescope, the integrated science instrument module, the sunshield, and the spacecraft. The DTA interfaces and supports the spacecraft and the telescope structures, and serves two key functions on Webb. In the stowed configuration, the DTA allows the telescope and instruments to fit into the rocket fairing with an acceptable center of gravity for launch. Second, in the deployed configuration, it will lift the telescope mirrors and instruments away from the heat of the main spacecraft. This allows the sunshield to unfurl, reducing the amount of radiant heat the instruments are exposed to on orbit.

► CARPINTERIA, CA — The NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory successfully deployed the mesh reflector and boom aboard the Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) spacecraft, a key milestone on its mission to provide global measurements of soil moisture. SMAP represents the future of Earth Science by helping researchers better understand our planet. SMAP's unmatched data capabilities are enabled in part by the largest spinning mesh reflector ever deployed in space, designed and built by Astro Aerospace, an NGAS company. The reflector and boom are a critical system for SMAP, allowing the observatory to measure soil moisture levels around the world every two to three days. SMAP is the first application of Astro Aerospace's new AstroMesh-Lite(R) reflector. This ultra-light and extremely stiff reflector is ideally suited for high frequency communications and radar applications.

Although the requirements of the mission are complex, the SMAP reflector weighs only 56 pounds.

► PALMDALE, CA — NGAS and members of NATO's Alliance Ground Surveillance Management Agency (NAGSMA) celebrated an important and much anticipated milestone. Leaving from Palmdale, NATO's first Alliance Ground Surveillance (AGS) aircraft successfully executed a comprehensive range of test points before landing at Edwards Air Force Base. A derivative of the wide-area surveillance Global Hawk, the unmanned aircraft has the ability to fly for up to 30 hours at a time.

### Information Systems Sector (NGIS)

► SAN DIEGO, CA — NGIS has named Jeannie Hilger as vice president of the Network Communication Systems business for NGIS. In this role, Hilger is responsible for programs including advanced military communications, airborne gateways, network architectures, and support systems that enable network-centric operations for defense and homeland security customers worldwide. She reports to Mike Twyman, sector vice president and general manager of the Defense Systems division of NGIS.

### Technical Services Sector (NGTS)

► HERNDON, VA — NGTS will demonstrate its latest advances in training solutions at the 2015 Interservice/ Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference (IITSEC) at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida. In support of the conference's theme this year, "Forging the Future Through Innovation," NGTS's exhibit will feature its capabilities in adaptive learning; distributed mission operations; on-demand live, virtual and constructive integrated range solutions; PC-based Open-architecture Re-configurable Training System (PORTS).

### TRA's International Printing Museum Tour (For details, see story on Page 1)

Thursday, March 10, 2016

Please print CLEARLY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: 10am to 12pm \_\_\_ or 1pm to 3pm \_\_\_ or Either \_\_\_

Total # of Attendees: \_\_\_ @ \$10 per person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to TRA

Mail to: Beth O'Gorman, 5508 Ironwood St., RPV 90275  
(310-375-3088)

The next NNG will be  
mailed in March.

## THE MAIL POUCH

◆◆◆Need to recover from an emergency appendectomy? **Pat Roberts** recommends Hawaii! Just four weeks after her emergency surgery in Henderson, NV, she and husband **Mike** were on their way to a ☆☆☆☆☆ resort in Maui for a planned rendezvous with friends. It must have worked. Pat and Mike are back in Henderson, where she is busy with volunteer gigs at the Clark County Museum and the Henderson Libraries. Mike volunteers at the Henderson Police Department and for AARP◆◆◆Our retirees do stay active! **Charles Morse** loves life in a small town (Pleasanton, NE, pop. 340). To stay young, he rides his Harley, now converted into a customized three wheeler Trike. He and his wife belong to the Eagles riding group, and love being just 400 miles from Sturgis, ND, site of the world's largest motorcycle rally each August. The g'kids do draw them back to California every year or so◆◆◆No Harley for **Gloria and Tony La Mantia** (Fullerton, CA). They belong to the NG RV Club, which meets every month except December. They went to Morro Bay in May. The club has about 25 members, and would welcome more. Call Gloria at (714) 525-2008 for more details if interested. They also belong to the Hilltop Bugle, Fullerton Elks Club. Gloria had both hips replaced, but now that that is past, the couple enjoys Friday night at the club and dance to the Bands. She also has stayed in touch with many of her former co-workers. The retirees from Bldg. 110 get together every four months, with **Janice Anderson, Joan Atchison, Esther Guilfoyle, Olga Romeo-Brown, and Lupe Hernandez**. She also gets together for lunch with former co-workers **Carol Fraser** and **Sandy Taber**◆◆◆**Linda Lipscomb** (El Segundo, CA) still loves to travel. In 2014 she took a Tauck tour to Europe, and this year spent two weeks in Indonesia on a Crystal Cruise with three friends. *Wonderful times*◆◆◆Where's **Linda Crabtree**? In the summer, it's Hanna, WY, but when



By Al Hausrath

the cold returns, it's off to Canyon City, AZ. She stays busy with yard work, Red Hat Society, and church in both destinations. Not to mention trying to keep track of the family members of her 12 brothers and sisters◆◆◆**Bob** and **Bette Brodsky** are enjoying an unpressured way of life in a cottage on the campus of Claremont Manor, CA. Long drives are impossible for them, but family and friends are welcome at their cottage. They are active participants in play readings. Their news, the arrival of their first g'g'child, Adelaide Corinne Brodsky◆◆◆In their late 80's, **Suzanne** and **Bob Lampton** are enjoying life in their active adult community in Mesa, AZ. Flying no longer appeals to them, so they choose excursions without plane travel. Main activities? Canasta, Bridge, doctors' visits, and visiting with their nearby kids. Bob adds, *I hope the 1960's - '80's San Bernardino crew are also living the good life*◆◆◆A 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary trip took **Linda** and **John Latimore** from home town, Reno, NV down to Tampa and Orlando, FL. Their successful goal, to see the Harry Potter events at Universal Studios. John must be getting old. He's talking about retiring again, this time from his consulting activities. He's tapered down to working just three days a week◆◆◆The **Ramos'** have been retired for 24+ years, **Bill** from NG and **Miriam** from TRW. Their travels came to an end in April, 2012, when Bill had back surgery. Their daughter, **Robin Carnine** (at TRW '80-'96), had bone marrow cancer in 2014, and now Miriam is her caregiver. The Ramos' live in Manhattan Beach, CA, and enjoy nearby retiree club functions (both NGRC and TRA). She joined the "TRW" Bowling league in 1970 and is still bowling with the group. They are also season ticket holders, since 2000, to the WNBA LA Sparks◆◆◆They moved into their Torrance, CA home

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