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Our 31st Year

November/December 2019

# **Make Your Reservations Now for the TRA Holiday Party**

This year the TRA Holiday Party will be at:

#### The Proud Bird Restaurant Tuskegee Ballroom 11022 Aviation Blvd Los Angeles 90045 Friday, December 6, 2019, 11:00AM to 2:00PM

The Tuskegee Ballroom is right next to the main restaurant entrance. Doors will open at 11:00AM so no need to show up early.

For lunch your entree choices are: Cedar-Smoked Salmon in a habanero-orange beurre blanc sauce; or Bludso's Smoked Brisket, with BBQ sauce on the side. Sides include herb mashed potatoes, local organic seasonal vegetables, and Rockenwagner Bakery rolls with butter. Dessert will be cheesecake with fresh berries. Iced tea or lemonade is included. In addition, a no-host bar will be available. If you have a dietary restriction or would like a vegetarian entree, call us at 310-813-7745, leave a message, and we will make arrangements.

See's Candy certificates will be available for purchase. The discounted price is \$17.00 each - a savings off the \$21.50 retail price.

The price for the Holiday Party is \$46.00 per person. Free parking is available in The Proud Bird parking lot.

Make your reservations by going to **www.tra-spacepark.org**, and pay with a credit card through Paypal. Or, mail your reservation with your payment using the form below.

Please be sure to postmark by November 20th. **Reservations** are required and we won't be able to take walk-ins the day of the event. This event is limited to 240 people. We hope to see you there!

### Looking Ahead to 2020

By Dena Bouskos

Thank you to all of you who voted in our recent election. It's important to TRA that we hear from as many members as possible. I want to recognize our very committed board volunteers: Mary Ann Chory, Past President; Jack Trost, VP; Michael Narigon, NNG Editor; Charlie Clendening, Treasurer; Reggie Jue & Stephanie Sundius, E-Communications (website & Facebook); Marcy Morrison, Activities; Bob Doll, Archives; Pam Overton, Mail Pouch & In Memoriam; Joyce Komatsu, Membership, and Carol Schamp, Director-At-Large.

Some of our board members' terms have expired according to our by-laws. So, I'd like to ask you to consider volunteering or becoming a member of the board. We are always looking for new people and new ideas on how we can serve our TRA members more effectively. If you are interested, please let us know.

I'd also like to ask you to help us recruit new members to TRA. Please encourage any retirees you know to join TRA.

For 2020, we will be working to offer more day trips/events like the JWST tours. Please send us your ideas by email to TRA@ tra-spacepark.org. Also, I want to remind you about our website, www.tra.spacepark.org, which has up-to-date news and information from our members. To get full access to the site you need to register. Go to the website, select the "Members" button, and then scroll down to "Register".

For our members who live in the greater LA area or those who might be visiting, we hope to see you at our annual Holiday Party at the Proud Bird. To all of you, the TRA Board wishes you blessed holidays with your loved ones and a happy and healthy 2020!

Member Name:			
Street Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Membership No. (from mailing label):		Phone:	
Guest Name(s):			
Entrée Selection (indicate number):	Salmon	Brisket	
Total Attending:a	at \$46 each = \$		

## TRA's NN GAZETTE

### **TRA for Northrop Grumman Retirees**

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

#### 2019 Officers President

Dena Bouskos Jack Trost Charles Clendening Michael Narigon Mary Ann Chory

Vice President Treasurer Secretary Immediate Past President

#### 2019 Directors-at-Large

Robert Doll, Reggie Jue, Joyce Komatsu, Marcy Morrison, Carol Schamp, Stephanie Sundius

*Facebook Coordinator:* Stephanie Sundius *Membership:* Joyce Komatsu *Webmaster:* Reggie Jue

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By Mail:

310-813-7745 for voice mail.

#### By Email:

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:

Our website is at 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. Register, log on, and browse.

#### For Membership:

TRA Membership is open to Northrop Grumman and TRW-legacy retirees at \$10 per calendar year. The application is available on the website.

# **TRW/NG Retirees Meetings Around the US**

GROUP **MEETING LOCATION DATE & TIME OTHER INFO** CONTACT All members welcome. Contact TRA Decisions, planning and actions TRA Board 3rd Wednesday, 9:30 AM, Bldg. E2/B114, Space Park prior to attendance to arrange for on archives, events, NNG, Monthly except December Meeting coordination with NG escort Jack Trost, Dena Bouskos, Carol Schamp Los Verdes Golf Club First Tuesday, ATD Friends & Social, Nostalgia, Lunch 7000 Los Verdes Drive 310-377-2194 5 November 2019, 11:00 AM Golf Club Phone: (310) 377-7888 Colleagues Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275 cschamp@aol.com **Beach Cities** Grunions Restaurant, 1501 N Last Monday, Even months, Allen Parker 310-780-0712 Social Get-together Sepulveda Blvd, MB, CA 11 AM to 2 PM 777allendsp@gmail.com Tom and Vicki Moore 828-883-8080 Brevard 1st Wednesday, 8 AM, Various Locations in Brevard, NC Social seneca75@verizon.net, Retirees 3rd Wednesday, 5 PM thistle33@verizon.net **Central Coast** Various Locations in the Central Coast Various days: contact Zaiser George Zaiser 805-473-2105 Social Chapter Area for details gzais34@icloud.com Houston Baybrook Denny's, 19212 Gulf Fwy, Gary Dinsmore 281-461-6270 3rd Tuesday, 8:30 AM Social Chapter Friendswood, TX samngary@att.net Jim Troy 850-797-0044 Huntsville 2nd Tuesday, Various Locations in Huntsville, AL Lunch and Social Chapter 11:30 AM jtroy28x@gmail.com Carol Noblet 702-889-6773 Various Locations in Las Vegas Metro Las Vegas Last Tuesday, 11:30 AM Social cannob70@gmail.com Area Northern Jim Miller 703-483-5448 Old Broque Pub, Great Falls, VA 3rd Friday, 11:30 AM Social Virginia jmiller158@gmail.com Charles Vono 801-745-5879 Utah Cracker Barrel Restaurant, Layton, UT 1st Thursday, 8:30 AM Social charlesvono@comcast.net http://sandiego.tra-spacepark.org San Diego 3rd Tuesday, Alternate Social or Board Meeting Jim Denton 858-385-0150 **Event Dependent** Chapter Months JWDenton@san.rr.com Maureen Locken 951-244-7654 Temecula Franklin's Cove, 40675 Murrietta Hot 2nd Wednesday, Lunch Social Springs Rd, Murrietta, CA 92562 Valley Maureen\_Locken@yahoo.com The Mountain Carl Winkelman 303-693-0034 Various Locations in the Denver Area First week of each quarter "We do have fun!" winkelman@att.net Folks Holy Family House, American Martyrs Investment Info based on Bob Eshbaugh 310-376-5880 TRIN 2nd Thursday, 1:00 PM Church, MB, CA monthly newsletter reviews eshonnet@yahoo.com Frank Yunger 805-444-1541, Mimi's Cafe Ventura 1st Tuesday, Lunch Social **Thousand Oaks** Harry Stroud 805-653-5117 Romeos

Find a group in your area and give them a call. Changes from last edition are in **bold**.

## HAPPENINGS AT NORTHROP GRUMMAN

### Northrop Grumman Announces Realigned Operating Sectors

Northrop Grumman Corp. will function under realigned operating sectors beginning at the first of the year. Starting Jan. 1, Northrop Grumman will have four operating sectors: Aeronautics Systems, Defense Systems, Mission Systems and Space Systems.

"This new operating structure allows us to take full advantage of our company's portfolio by aligning businesses that have shared markets, customers and technologies," said Kathy Warden, chair, CEO and president of Northrop Grumman. "It will accelerate our ability to rapidly identify and deliver the technologies, products and services our customers need, and fuel our continued growth and execution."

Janis Pamiljans, current corporate vice president and president of Aerospace Systems, will lead the Aeronautics Systems sector, which is responsible for engineering and manufacturing manned and unmanned air systems.

Mary Petryszyn, current vice president and general manager, Land and Avionics C4ISR, Mission Systems, will lead Defense Systems, which provides critical technology services, sustainment and modernization, including integrated battle command systems, directed energy, tactical weapons and information systems.

Mission Systems, which focuses on open, cybersecure, software-defined systems for defense and intelligence applications across multiple domains, will be led by Mark Caylor, current corporate vice president and president of Mission Systems.

Blake Larson, current corporate vice president and president of Innovation Systems, will lead the Space Systems sector. That sector provides space and launch systems serving national security, civil and commercial customers.

Last issue our printer made a mistake and omitted page 3/4 from the newsletter. For this edition we have also included a copy of the previous edition that includes the missing page 3/4, but omits the ballot.

### **IN MEMORIAM**

**Rudy Aguero**, 80, September 23, 2019. Rudy was known as the "Big Kahuna" to his many friends. He started his career as an office equipment repairman working for IBM at TRW. He retired as DSP Area Manager.

**Barry Dunbridge**, September 16, 2019. Barry worked for TRW and Northrop Grumman for 47 years from 1961-2008.

**Richard Holt**, 84, August 27, 2019. Richard was a Program Manager and had been with TRW/NG for 10 years before retiring.

**Jerome Kirk**, 95, April 3, 1923 – January 29, 2019. He made the kinetic sculpture, titled "Quest", located at Space Park.

**Dan Lee**, 60, September 13, 2019. He was manager of the Milstar DVM lab.

**Norman Lipner**, 79, September 25, 2019. His career at TRW/NG spanned 41 years. He was in the ICBM program at Space Park and at Norton AFB. He was the manager of the Systems Center.

Toshi Nakano, September 19, 2019.

**Jan Newsham**, 84, August 20, 2019. Jan worked in Security at TRW/NG.

**Richard Flores Ramirez**, 79, August 31, 2019. He worked for TRW/NG for over 35 years.

**Bill Simpson**, 88, September 21, 2019. Bill worked in the Space and Technology Group from 1959 to 1991.

**Robert Wells**, 93, September 15, 2019. Many of Bob's 40 years in the industry were spent at Space Technology Laboratories and TRW. He worked as a design engineer, test engineer, and project manager on the X-3, X-15, F86, F100, and B70 aircraft and many space propulsion systems.

Please contact us by either email or mail to the TRA office for the "In Memoriam" column. Northrop Grumman does not notify us of retiree's deaths. We would like the name of the deceased, date of death, and the name of the person submitting the information. If available, include age, position and years at NG/TRW, any notable programs, and special skills.

Call the Northrop Grumman Benefits Center at 1-800-894-4194 to notify Northrop Grumman of a retiree's death. For many retirees there is a benefit paid upon death.



Mal Kong, retired AEHF Payload 1/2 Design Integration Manager, celebrated his 80th birthday at the Blue Water Grill, Redondo Beach, with several people from his AEHF team. Left to right: Terry Lunn (retired Radiation Test manager), Art Van Noppen (Electrical Systems Design Integration/Systems Engineering department manager), Mal Kong, and Rod Nicas (retired Hardness and Survivability specialist).



The next NNG will be mailed in January.

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### THE MAIL POUCH

By Pam Overton and Joan Merritt

**♦♦** After retiring in 1996, **Judy** and **Bill Soper** enjoyed the outdoors as much as possible. A favorite spot to camp was Twin Lakes in Bridgeport, CA. For two or three weeks during Independence Day celebration time, they had ample time to participate in the best little town 4th of July celebration anywhere. A two hour long parade that blocked CA Highway 395 for hours, street vendors, two-day rodeo, and meeting the most wonderful people in the world. Now the trailer is gone. The desire to travel is strong but the BACK is weak. They now see their local children, grandchildren, and even great grand kids. They, along with many church activities at St. Cross Church, Hermosa Beach, CA, keep their minds and bodies whole. **\*\*\*** Paul and Muriel Nordin (90/94) are spending their active retirement years in Medford, OR (summers) and Manhattan Beach, CA (winters). They are having so much fun juggling medical appointments and dinners with friends. Also fun are medical seminars on subjects like Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, neuropathy, bone cancer, etc. The Rogue Valley Manor in Medford, OR will be their last residence before going to Green Hills Memorial Park. **+++** Jan Ross (Marana, AZ) spent the first two weeks of May in Hanalei, Kauai, managing a house construction project. **\*\*\*** Carl & Judy Hastings have several trips out of Vegas planned to escape the heat. First to Cedar City w/friends to see two Shakespeare plays. Then a few weeks later, off with other friends to Lake Tahoe for a week. That is followed a few weeks after by meeting still other friends for a week in Oxnard, CA. Finally they round out the summer with a cruise on the St. Lawrence river shared with another friend. **\*\*\*** Carol Noblet stays busy with volunteer work with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police De-

partment as well as her church's Senior Adult Ministry. She took a short trip to Tuachan Theater in Utah the end of July to see Sound of Music and a trip to Spokane, WA the end of August to visit with one of her granddaughters and her family (hubby & two greatgrands). **\*\*\*** Vic & Maryann Dulock are still doing well, on the go all the time visiting their five kids and families (11 grands & 2 great-grands) and extended family in TX, CO, WA, CA, and Sweden! Hoping to get to Kansas City before grandson, Dr. Ben, moves on after residency is completed and Georgia where grandson, Drew, has relocated. They also stay busy with their church volunteer work. They really enjoy their monthly luncheons with the TRW group in Las Vegas. **\*\*\*** Brooks Vogt is still living in Palos Verdes Estates and playing geriatric tennis (Whose service? What's the score??). He goes for lively discussions instead of politics. His grand kids are now taller than he is ... where does the time go? **\*\*\*** Bobbie Smith is living in Torrance and will soon turn 85. She became a great-grandmother this year. Last year she cruised to Tahiti and had a wonderful time. She's enjoying retirement to its fullest! **\*\*\*** Elizabeth Goodwin is living in Bellevue, WA. She is 90 now and has lost her eyesight but still enjoys having the NNG read to her! **\*\*\*** Jack and Gloria Pacente are living in Norwalk. Jack recently turned 81, is doing well, and is looking forward to his next issue of the NNG. He enjoys keeping up on what's going on with his former co-workers. **\*\*\*** Kate Brady is living in El Segundo and enjoyed her 28th year of retirement. She enjoys gardening and petting her three kitties. **\*\*\*** Editor's note - several Mail Pouch notes came to us on TRW note paper! I still have some of mine. How about you?