

KASRA

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Retiree News

Dear Fellow Retiree:

As Kaiser Aluminum is attempting to pull together all the pieces of a proposed plan of reorganization, the Bankruptcy Judge has issued an order reactivating the Official Salaried Retirees' Committee, under Section 1114 of the Bankruptcy Code. The members of the retirees' committee are the same as those originally approved by the Bankruptcy Court earlier in the Chapter 11 process. They are: Jess Erickson, Jim Hobby, Dave Perry, Tim Preece, and me.

We met with representatives of Kaiser Aluminum on August 26 in San Francisco. The company representatives shared a large amount of information with the retirees' committee members and, as is normal for meetings at which confidential information about a company and its operations are shared, all of the participants signed confidentiality agreements covering the subjects discussed. I can report that members of the retirees' committee had the opportunity to ask a lot of questions.

The meeting was an informational one. No proposals were made by either the company or the retirees' committee.

We agreed to meet again on September 23.

We will continue to keep you informed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jed Daniel".

Jed Daniel

KASRA DIRECTORS ELECTED

KASRA members, voting by mail, elected three new directors and six current directors to the KASRA Board. The new directors – Steve Booth and Ron Rhody elected to three-year terms and Donna Buster elected to fill the remaining two years of a three-year

term – will begin their service at the September 16 annual meeting.

Elected to second (and final) three-year terms were the following current directors: Jed Daniel, Art Donaldson, Joanne Gutierrez, Bob Irelan, Kirk McVean, and Janet Vogelgesang.

Each year, approximately one-third of the KASRA Board comes up for replacement or re-election.

Our thanks to the membership for mailing in their ballots and our congratulations and thanks to each of the elected directors for their willingness to serve.

HENRY J. KAISER MUSEUM EXHIBIT RECEPTION SET FOR MARCH 8, 2004

Retired Kaiser Aluminum CEO Cornell Maier asks retirees to "mark the date" of March 8 in their calendars for 2004. That's the day Cornell will host a reception from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Oakland Museum of California to mark the opening of the Henry J. Kaiser Exhibit there.

Cornell says retirees from the Greater Bay Area and any retirees from beyond the Bay Area who contributed to the exhibit's fundraising will receive an invitation by mail within the next month or so. However, Cornell also wants any Kaiser Aluminum retirees – from anywhere – to join the celebration. So, if you are a retiree from outside the area and want to attend, please drop a note directly to Cornell C. Maier, 5121 Pinecrest Drive, Oakland, CA 94605.

Cornell and retired CEOs of Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Kaiser Cement & Gypsum, Kaiser Steel, and Kaiser Engineers have spearheaded the fundraising for the HJK Exhibit, which so far has raised approximately \$525,000.

Editors Note: Look for an article about the Henry J. Kaiser Exhibit in the next issue (November).

What's Going On

The editor loves KASRA dues renewal time. That's when many of you send in news with your checks. So this issue is jam packed. Here goes. **Bob Burke** (Danville, CA) retired from Kaiser Center in Oakland and moved to Jacksonville, OR, where he'll do a lot of fly fishing from his back yard.

Cleveland wire retiree **Clarence Smith** (Medina, OH) writes that his VFW Post shipped 1500 pounds of CARE packages to local Marines in the Philippines and Iraq. After finding an old Huey helicopter to join a WWII cannon at the Post HQ, Clarence is scouting for a tank next. Oakland retiree **Betty Gordon** (Sun City, AZ) now has an email address:

BettieGore@juno.com. **Don**

Vorwerck (Elk Grove, CA) visits relatives annually in Dayton, OH. The Moss Landing retiree, who is disabled from a partial right foot amputation, had open heart surgery last year.

Mmm, pass those samples.... KACC HQ retiree **Rosemary Ciotti** of Erie, PA, works full time as a food demonstrator at Sam's Membership Warehouse. Electrical products retiree **June Steward** of Mansfield, TX, enjoys gardening and decorating homes. KACC Oakland retiree **Shirley Schmalfuss** (Oakland, CA), a painter, is active in the Oakland Art Assn. and also in writing groups. **Phyllis Glubka** of Lincoln, CA, writes that she enjoys living in Sun City Lincoln Hills and visiting siblings in Wisconsin. Phyllis went to Disneyland with her children this summer.



Marg & Ken Signer (Cottonwood, AZ) celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary. They also mark their 18th year on the road as full time RVers. Gramercy retiree **Anthony Aise** of Gonzales, LA, enjoys working in the yard and helping other people when he's not managing a health club in town. This month, **Bill Warfield** (Rancho Mirage, CA) will be in Hawaii with fellow retirees **Howard Nelson & Jim McKnight** and their wives. Marco Polo... **Wanda Fecht**

(Mexico, MO) entertained 45 members of the Fecht family at an all day pool party, which included lunch and dinner followed by front row viewing of a gigantic Fourth of July fireworks display.

The guardian and caregiver for **Esther Froeba** (Metairie, LA) wrote to say that Esther often mentions her working days at a Kaiser plant near New Or-



leans, running a multi-lift machine. She suspects Esther was a practical joker who still pulls out a sheaf of old jokes from those days to reminisce. Esther will be 93 this December and is still full of vim and vigor. Drop Esther a line at 321 Lynnette Drive, Metairie, LA 70003-6557. Perhaps the KAOS folks could add her to their mailing list..

Ruth McNary of Salinas, CA, wrote to say that when her husband, Moss Landing retiree 1st Sgt. **Reid W. McNary** passed away in 1999, she established a scholarship in his name with the Vietnam Veterans of Monterey County. So far, three scholarships have been awarded to students at Monterey Peninsula College and Hartnell College in Salinas. Because they had no sons, Ruth says this is a way for Reid's name to be carried on, even after she's gone.

Happy 80th birthday to **Robert W. Gambill** (Troy, MT). He and wife Charis spent the summer at their home on Bun Lake nearby. Grand Prairie retiree **Waymon Sloan** of Kaufman, TX, took a cruise to the British Isles last month. Trentwood retiree **Alan Morasch** (Spokane, WA) drove to Alaska in a motor home and said it was a very good trip. **Jim Doyle** of Athol, ID, writes that he and his wife act as angels for beginning square dancers. Wonder if that means they dance with wings on their shoulders. Jim also keeps up with about a dozen Kaiser retirees who live nearby.

Have you traveled to Moscow recently? If so **Joe Heimes** of 65 Shipwatch Rd., Savannah, GA 31410 would like to hear from you. For 88-year old **Lola Sheppard** of Dothon, AL, work is padding about the house during the week until Sunday, when she goes to church. **Richard Flores** (Livermore, CA) went to Spain recently. He works in real estate sales for the ReMax Eastbay Group.

Bill Nadwornick of Greenacres, WA, is an avid hammie (K7CTS). He and his wife (K7MRJ) attend many Amateur Hamfests, which Bill calls radio flea markets. **Olga Essex** of Paso Robles, CA, is a writer whose novel, "Delia's Way", is listed in a CSU Barahona Center guide to the best books about Latino People and Cultures. Olga says her novel was selected by the American Library Association as a read-alike to "Drowning Ruth" of Oprah's Book Club note. **Frank Fenney** of Ravenswood, WV, writes that he's been on vacation since 1996. He enjoys biking, wood working, camping and photography.



Was anybody awake out there? Last issue, the editor asked you to guess what **Guy Robicheaux**

(Chalmette, LA) does to entertain seniors. Well, colleague **Joycelyn M. Hyman** emailed her answer: Guy is a caricaturist. Is she right? Will Guy respond? Does Joycelyn get a free copy of KASRA News? Stay tuned. By the way, she says hello, Guy. Happy 50th Anniversary to **Ronnie & George Binczewski** of Moraga, CA. On the move... **Doris Madden** from Oakland to The Redwoods in Mill Valley, where she hopes to find the inspiration to finish writing the books she started 20 years ago. Doris, a native San Franciscan, grew up on Potrero Hill and is working on stories about a city girl moving to the country.

The yard work never stops, says **Will Rousel** of Gramercy, LA, who took a vacation to Lakepoint Resort in Alabama with 12 children and spouses and 21 grandchildren. Whew, yard work sounds like a vacation to me after that. Mead retiree **Mark Via** of Arlington, VA, was on temporary assignment in Caracas, Venezuela, with the U.S. State Department as a Foreign Service Officer. Next year, Mark will move to San Salvador for a two-year tour of duty as a General Service Officer for the U.S. Embassy there. Ravenswood Works retiree **Clement Sismard** of Goldendale, WA, writes that he has tasted wine from every region in France. He and his wife celebrated their 50th anniversary with family who came from as far away as Paris, France. Wonder if they brought more wine to sample. **Terry & L.J. Mac McAdams** of Gig Harbor, Wa, celebrated their 60th Anniversary with a trip to Victoria, B.C., where they dined in the Bengal Room of the Empress Hotel.



Pardon the error. **Max Ott** visited his great grandson in MI for the first time and has four generation pictures to show. After attending a family reunion in Kansas, **Nancy Peters** (Oakland, CA) visited RV parks in Bodega Bay, Pt. Reyes and took a long trip through Oregon. **Don Kusko** of Livermore, CA, went on a great 17 day vacation to Alaska. **Ursula Seifert** (Castro Valley, CA) spends summers on Vancouver Island playing golf and took a cruise to Scandinavia and Russia last month, stopping to visit Berlin and see relatives in Frankfurt. Margaret Gayda (Lacey, WA) writes that husband **Al Gayda** is in assisted living and she has moved to a smaller place near their daughter at 5441 Pattison Lake Dr. SE, Lacey, ph. (360) 459-2028. **Lewis Parsons** (Ravenswood, WV) spent several weeks visiting his brother in Florida and is awaiting cataract surgery so he can get back to wood working. Grandpa **Bill Miller** of Harborside, ME, and wife Bette will have custody of two grandchildren, ages 11 and 8, for three years. They ask for prayers of strength and guidance. **Roger Underwood** (Arroyo Grande, CA) says antique collecting, tennis and gar-

dening still leaves him time to travel to Ireland, Greece, Costa Rica and Alaska. Whew, nap time.

Daryl Schaffer (Mead, WA) crossed the country in a motor home last winter, putting 9000 miles on tire wear. He enjoys rockhounding, a hobby that sounds interesting. **Lowell Carlson** of Lexington, IL, keeps young by getting involved with the grandkids, watching their sports activities, and working in the garden. Congratulations to

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Stevens of Columbia, MO, who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary in July.

Don Woodward (Oakbrook, IL) had a great vacation at Osage Beach, MO, with the entire family of 15. **Mrs. C. E.**

White of Ravenswood, WV, does volunteer work at the Senior Center there.



Move over, Eddie Bauer. **Ed Streiffer** of Moraga, CA, hiked to the end of the Inca trail in Peru. He also attended Tulane Univ's 50th anniversary class reunion. **Chuck Lyons** (Deer Park, CA) restores antique tractors and trucks. He's also published a book of short stories.

Larry Poellnitz of Mission Viejo, CA, enjoys fishing and gardening. Having all four children nearby is one reason why **Buzz Freeman** lives in Meridian, ID. With a new grandson in the family, **Gene Whitcombe** (Tacoma, WA) writes that he smiles a lot. Gene does, that is. Baby does, too, I imagine. Gene also says he is the boss of the cat. Must be an alien breed.

Winning first and second place ribbons for his homemade wine at the State Fair was **Clarence Miller** of Graham, WA. **Kenneth Mikes** (Parkersburg, WV) spent a blissful week in Myrtle Beach, SC, with sons and families. Widow **Jean Clow**, 1728 Bel Air Ave. San Jose, CA 95126, would love to hear from old friends. Jean traveled to Italy and Maui.

We're pulling for you, **Horace Love**, of Avon Lake, OH, who had a massive stroke and lost most of his hearing. Happy 90th Birthday to **Don Fallquist** of Spokane, WA, who writes that Kaiser was and is a terrific company.

What's the Scoop?

Please tell us *what's going on* with you. Fill out the enclosed brown slip and mail to: KASRA News 2471 San Miguel Drive, Walnut Creek, CA 94596 or email us at wmipr@aol.com

IN MEMORIAM

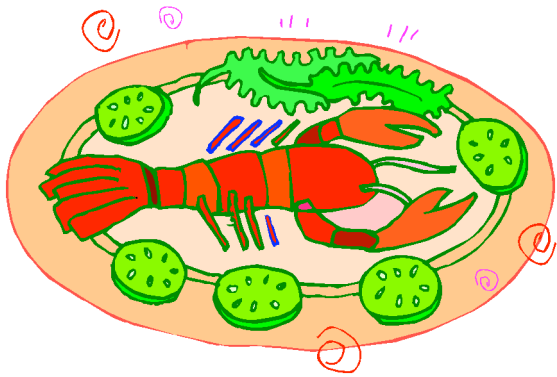
Employee Benefit Data Services (EBDS) has provided the following list of deceased retirees for publication in KASRA News. This information covers a time period from March - August, 2003.

Dennie Adkins, Conway, AR
John Alcorn, Waynesville, NC
M. Alter, Spokane, WA
Jimmie Ashmore, Picayune, MS
Donald Back, Boulder City, NV
Armando Basarrate, Palm Beach, FL
James Bigelow, Anderson, IN
Gerald Black, Port Angeles, WA
George Bodiford, Savannah, GA
Charles Breaux, Plaquemine, LA
Ellen Broadus, Orlando, FL
Clifford Brown, Kennwick, WA
T. Burns, Riegelwood, NC
Francis Curtain, Deerfield Beach, FL
Michael Dew, Slidell, LA
Russel Drennan, Alamo, CA
Robert Dodge
David Edelman, Butte MT
William Edmunds, San Ramon, CA
Anthony Estrella, Bristol, RI
E. Wayne Everhart, Roseville, CA
Walter Foster, West Columbia, SC
Selwyn Freeland, Grand Bay, AL
William Goodson, Lafayette, CA
Clement Gornall, Greenacres, WA
Philip Grove, Savannah, GA
Lois Henry, Jacksonville, AL
George Hoaeae, Honolulu, HI
Harold Hobbs, Overland Park, KS
Delbert Holder, Peoria, AZ
Willie Holder, Garden City, GA
Frank Holland, Zachary, LA
Lloyd Housh, Santa Clara, CA

Clara Jones, Tupelo, MS
Howard Knox, S. Kingstown, RI
Robert Kuennen, Lawler, IA
Elmer Lee, Walnut Creek, CA
Thomas Lynch, Jenkintown, PA
Chester Magee, San Jose, CA
Ernest Masiero, Napa, CA
Charles McMartin, Albuquerque, NM
Frederick Moore, Post Falls, ID
Alberta Neill, Greenwood, IN
Raymond J. Osterhold, Arabi, LA
Martin Osborn, Arlington, IN
Rondal Phillips, St. Helens, OR
Teresa Reilly, Alameda, CA
Ted Ricker, Frankfort, IN
Charles Ringwood, Warren, RI
Howard Roper, University Place, WA
Ruby Ryals, Ashland, OR
Jesse Santos, San Ramon, CA
Josephine Scott, Savannah, GA
Heinz Siebert, Salt Lake City, UT
Ronald Simpson, Tujunga, CA
Gyondal Smith, Broken Arrow, OK
Florence Tamisiea, Granite Bay, CA (11/02)
Joseph Walsh, Ione, WA
Alvina Wassenberg, Marysville, KS
Owen Weldon, Ravenswood, WV
Mary Weltsch, Onalaska, TX

The **Board of Directors** extends its deepest sympathy to the families at the loss of their loved ones.

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The Lunch Bunch

Below are upcoming regional luncheon group meetings. Please contact directly to attend.

September 11 Tacoma

Luncheon meeting, noon to 2 p.m. at the Tacoma Elks Lodge, 1965 South Union St. Contact Bob Mohr (253) 564 9308 or email bobjanetmohr@attbi.com

September 17 Erie

Luncheon at 1:00 p.m., Lake Shore CC. Contact Tim Healy (814) 474-3536 or email thealy@leol.net

September 18 Trentwood

Luncheon 11:30 a.m., Elk Lodge 2605 N. Robie, Spokane Valley. Contact Bob Shogren, (509) 226-0837, robertmshogren@hotmail.com

October 2 Baton Rouge

Lunch at noon Phil's Seafood. To confirm location, call Bob Lister (225) 272-2886 or Bob Eisenbach (225) 926-1334 beisenbach@prodigy.net

October 6 Bay Area KARLA

Luncheon, 11:00 a.m. at Elks Club, Walnut Creek. Spouses and guests are welcome. Call Al Matthews (925) 930-8243.

October 6 Los Angeles (So CA)

The Elephant Bar, 14303 E. Firestone Blvd., (Santa Ana Freeway & Valley View), La Mirada, CA 90638. Contact Norm Manger (310) 377-2135 or email normanger@cox.net

October 14 Phoenix

Lunch 11:30 a.m. at Bennigan's, Arizona Mills Mall. Contact Paul Vogt at (520) 426-1217 or email vogt@cybertrails.com

October 15 Mead

Moose Lodge, noon. Open to all retirees and guests. Speaker: Jed Daniel, KASRA President. Call Joe Fife at (509) 466-9155 or ajjfife@aol.com or Phil Marksbury at (509) 325-1798 or email Pjmarks@aol.com

October 15 Erie

Luncheon at 1:00 p.m., Lake Shore CC. Contact Tim Healy (814) 474-3536 or email thealy@leol.net

October 16 Trentwood

Luncheon 11:30 a.m., Elks Lodge, Spokane Valley. Speaker: KASRA Pres. Jed Daniel. Call Bob Shogren, (509) 226-0837, robertmshogren@hotmail.com

October 25 Belpre

Breakfast at Shoneys 9:00 a.m. Call Betty Blair (304) 489-1337 for more information.

October 28 Newark

Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Stacey's Smorgasbord, Heath. Call Bob Abel at (740) 323-2268 or rpabel@alltel.net.

November 3 Los Angeles (So CA)

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November 8 Louisiana KAOS

Semi-annual dinner meeting at Sherwood Forest Country Club. Speaker from the Senior Health Insurance Information Program to discuss available alternatives to supplement Medicare coverage. Contact Bob Eisenbach (225) 926-1334 beisenbach@prodigy.net.

