

Kaiser Aluminum Salaried Retirees Association

A MESSAGE FROM THE KASRA PRESIDENT



Carlos Xavier
KASRA President

Dear Fellow Retirees/
Surviving Spouses:

Included in this July issue of the newsletter are the following: (a) a letter from me to all retirees and surviving spouses urging

those who have not paid their annual dues to do so and to thank those who have already done so; (b) KASRA enrollment form; (c) "What's Going on Form", and (d) a ballot with our new nominees to the KASRA Board of Directors.

We are very fortunate to have the following nominees who have kindly offered to serve with the KASRA Board:

Klaus Adler retired in 1997 after 33 years with the Management Systems Group. He had responsibilities for both corporate and division systems. In this capacity, he was a systems software and hardware consultant to Kaiser Aluminium Europe and VALCO, Ghana. He was also a member of the corporate records retention committee and represented the company at the EDI standards guideline meetings. He currently resides in Walnut Creek, CA.

Doug Mann was born and raised in the Boston, MA. area. After graduating from the University of California at Berkeley, CA., he joined Kaiser in 1956 and was consecutively assigned to Trentwood, WA, Mead, WA, Chicago, IL, Wanatah, IN, Columbiana, OH, and Newark, OH. In 1967, he was transferred back to Oakland, CA, and Corporate Purchasing. From 1970 to 1979 he consulted in the evening as an instructor for the Dale Carnegie courses. In addition,

he conducted Karrass seminars within Kaiser's domestic and overseas facilities. After retiring from Kaiser in 1988, he joined Karrass and conducted seminars for the next 16 years. He now resides in Orinda, CA.

Mert Van Dreser joined Kaiser at the Milpitas, CA. laboratory as a research engineer in June 1957. In 1969, he moved to the newly completed facility at CFT, Pleasanton, CA. where all R&D work was being consolidated. He became the Director of Non-Metallic Materials R&D with the acquisition of the Harshaw Chemical Corporation. In 1983, Van moved to Cleveland, OH. as VP of R&D for the Chemical Division. He returned to the San Francisco Bay Area in 1985 to become the Director of Business Development. He retired in 1988 and enthusiastically transitioned to his new life and love – flying aircraft. He currently resides in Pleasanton, CA.

I urge you all to vote for the above-named nominees and I would appreciate it if you could return the ballot to us no later than **August 15**. Retiring from the board at the end of this year, after serving their second term, are **Carol Brown, Joanne Cunningham and Dan Dahlen**. The KASRA Board wishes to thank them all for their six years of dedicated and excellent service on KASRA matters.

I would be remiss if I did not touch upon the **BP oil crisis in the Gulf area**. I know this must adversely affect many of our retirees/surviving spouses living in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. We would be interested in knowing how this unfortunate event may be impacting you. If you wish to

Do you know a retiree who has not signed up for the VEBA? Suggest they call KASRA at (925) 685-1313 or email at kasra@e-kasra.com

WHAT'S GOING ON

Oakland retiree **Patricia Armstrong** moved from Hayward, CA, to a retirement community in Kailua Kona, HI, to be near family. Erie, PA, retiree and resident **Carl F. Lupp** is captain of the ZemZem Shrine Legion of Honor marching unit. The 80-year old gets a lot of exercise participating in numerous parades throughout NW Pennsylvania. Corporate public relations retiree **Bob Irelan** of Rancho Murieta, CA, is a weekly tutor at a youth correctional facility, helping 17-18 year-olds study for high school equivalency (G.E.D.) exams. Last month, Bob joined fellow Kaiser Aluminum Public Relations colleagues **Ron Rhody, Gary Simpson & Joe Piedmont** and their wives for a visit at Joe's home in Bend, OR.

Kaiser Center retiree **Gerald (Jerry) Bennett** (Walnut Creek, CA) lists UFO investigator and golf show host as hobbies. He is a fraud investigator, IT auditor and conducts recovery audits. Alpart, Jamaica, retiree **Steven V. Smith** (Brentwood, TN) likes to fish and hunt ducks and geese. Contact Steve at svsmithinc@aol.com to visit him on Lake Barkley. For the past ten years, Oakland retiree **Ursula Seifert** of Castro Valley, CA, spends the summer on Vancouver Island, BC. To celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary, the Seiferts took their two daughters and families on an Alaskan cruise. Los Angeles, CA, sales retiree and resident **Norm Manger** (Rancho Palos Verdes, CA) is writing a short story on retirement living, entitled "From Chasen's to Meals on Wheels".

Oakland retirees **Avis Duncan** (Tumwater, WA) and **Marceline Kieou** (Alameda, CA) traveled to Argentina to visit fellow retirees **Rita Pessano and Maria Pessano-Barton** (pictured right).

The photo was taken in Coroba before the pair headed to Iguazu Falls and Buenos Aires.

Trentwood Works retiree **W.R. "Bill" Fautch** (Newman Lake, WA) plays accordian with a country band, fishes and takes off on the back roads of NE Washington in his RV. The tree farmer is recovering from a brain stem stroke he suffered 2 and a half years ago. Condolences to **Frank M. Gerlach** (Harborcreek, PA) who lost his wife, Diane, to pancreatic cancer last April. He works part time as a charter fishing captain and is a director on two for profit boards. **Betty L. Koska** of Winnemucca, NV, had knee replacement surgery in May. Healing thoughts go out to **Eugene Whitcombe** (Tacoma, WA) who was hospitalized in May for multiple conditions.

William H. Fehrs, Jr. spends half the year in Cashiers, NC, and Douglas, GA.

Pessano, Barton, Duncan, Kieou



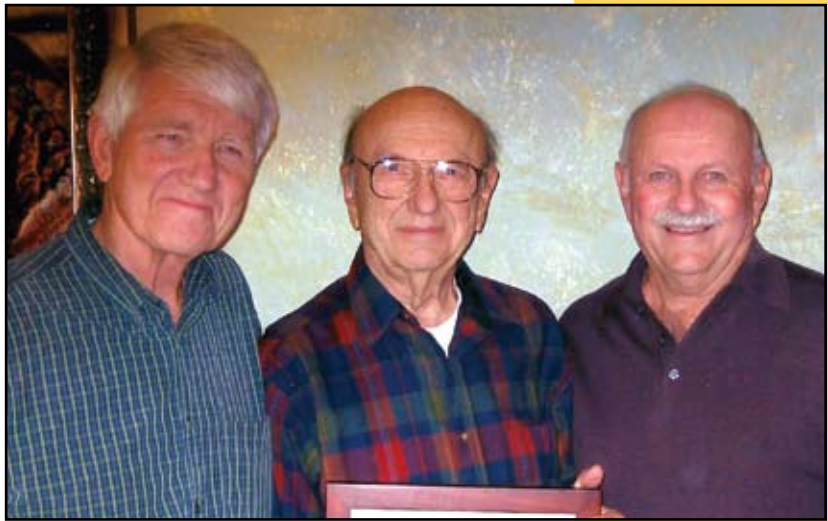
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He enjoys hunting for deer, turkey and fly fishing. CFT Reduction Research retiree **Curtis Harrison** (Saratoga, CA) retired from 45 years of service to the Cupertino Sanitary District as an elected director (pictured center, right). He enjoys gardening and contract bridge. Chalmette Works retiree **Guy Robicheaux** (Slidell, LA) volunteers as a docent at the Slidell Art League. He keeps busy with family renovating and repair projects. Baton Rouge, LA, retiree and resident **Robert Jeansonne** and his wife, Sylvia, spend weekends at their False River getaway home. They are sudoku and crossword puzzle fans. Surviving spouse **Elaine Belshay** (Grapeview, WA) went on a mini vacation to Wendover, NV, with Celine Walton. Trentwood Works retiree **Allen L. Davaz** of Marsing, ID, traveled to California, Arizona and Spokane, WA. Ravenswood, WV retiree and resident **Richard E. Garrett** is a contract worker in IT for Alcan Global ATI Ravenswood. Joyful noise...Mexico, MO, retiree and resident **Alice Edwards** and her husband, Jesse, sing regularly at several area assisted living and nursing home facilities.

Electrical Products retiree **Mike Meany**

Bay Area June, 2010 Luncheon: Dick Harrison and Bruce Wilson



Curtis Harrison (center) with fellow commissioners.

of La Quinta, CA, spends up to ten weeks each year traveling extensively and has been to every continent. He and wife, Paulette, spend half the time at their mountain home in Arnold, CA. Kaiser Chemicals retiree **Rowe Huggins** of Hot Springs Village, AR, owns Raw Material Specialist which occupies up to 15 hours a week of his time. He is president of the Razorback Club, sings in the church choir and is on three boards. Newark, OH, and Jamaica retiree **Ed Coyne** (Birmingham, AL) co-authored with his sons Kevin and Shawn "When You Got to Cut Costs – Now". The article is published in the May issue of the Harvard Business Review. Belpre, OH, retiree **Reldon J. Barre**

(Washington, WV) took a 7 day Caribbean cruise. Gramercy Works, LA, retiree **Patrick H. Blake** (Baton Rouge, LA) turned his gunsmithing and target shooting hobby into a trade. He owns a firearms shop patronized by the local police department.

Kaiser Ag Chem
Nashville, TN retiree
David H. Martin of

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Humboldt, TN, is retiring in September from public service after 36 years as Gibson County Commissioner. During his tenure, the 88-year old helped to establish the county lake as well as its correctional complex. Baton Rouge, LA, retiree and resident **Harold Fussell** and his wife celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary at a gathering put on by their six children and their families.

Extrusion division retiree **David Cross** (Singer Island, FL) regularly visits the U.K. for family events. When not kayaking, fishing or swimming, he volunteers at an inner city school. Ravenswood, WV, retiree **Donald Waldie** (Point Pleasant, WV) went on two cruises in the past year to Alaska and Eastern Mexico. CFT, CA, retiree **Ronald Rigge** of Pleasanton, CA, and his wife have a small fine-art photography business.

Bellwood Extrusion retiree **Antonio (Tony) M. Flores** (Port Charlotte, FL) loves sailing enough to teach it. He belongs to the Englewood Sailing Association, plays the hand bell in church and is part of its prison ministry. Raw Materials Engineering retiree **Fred**

Bay Area June 2010 Luncheon: Mary Alice Donaldson, Rosemary Daniel and Claudia Allen



Fred and Barbara Muller



Muller (Chico, CA) and wife, Barbara, visited Buenos Aires, Tierra del Fuego, and Cape Horn (pictured above). They also went flyfishing in Patagonia.

Newark, OH, retiree **John Goldsmith** of Williston, FL, rented a houseboat on the St. Johns River for a 4 day fishing party. He turns 82 this month. Condolences to Ravenswood, WV, retiree **Brookie Henry** (Point Pleasant, WV) who lost his wife of 54 years in Nov. 2008. Bring on the ratatouille... Chalmette retiree **Harold Rosselli** of Madisonville, LA, planted a vegetable garden of eggplant, bell peppers, okra and more. He's recovering from 3 surgeries in the past year.

Baton Rouge, LA, retiree and resident **Grover L. Dobbins** and his wife, Janie, celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary in April. Portsmouth, RI, retiree **Ida**

Kloner (Bristol, RI) enjoys reading and walking in the waterfront park. While traveling days are over for the 89 year old, Ida doesn't mind at all, saying Bristol, RI, is too beautiful to leave. Chalmette, LA, retiree **William C. Salassi** (Ponchatoula, LA) stays

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KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION Global Health Information Powerhouse

In 1948, Henry J. Kaiser and his wife, Bess, established the Henry J. Kaiser Foundation to serve the “unmet healthcare needs of the citizenry”. Today, the non profit private operating foundation, located in Palo Alto, CA, has evolved into the Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF). It has a worldwide reputation as a trusted independent information resource on global health care issues.

KFF has an operating budget of \$40 million per year funded by an endowment of more than a half billion dollars. The foundation’s three major functions are to:

- 1) Serve as a non partisan expert on the U.S. health system through research and policy analysis on such topics as Medicare, Medicaid and HIV.
- 2) Provide a clearinghouse of news and information to assist journalists in improving the coverage of health news in the mainstream media.
- 3) Conduct large scale public health information campaigns in the U.S. and around the world.

Tacoma June 2, 2010 Luncheon: Les Foster, Paul Schmeil, Geri and John Leskovar



KASRA readers may find the KFF web page on the Medicare Policy Project to be particularly informative. For example, a Focus on Health Reform newsletter (#8071) explains key changes in the Medicare Advantage program under the 2010 health reform law. Go to <http://www.kff.org/healthreform/8071.cfm> to download this publication.

The foundation created Kaiser Health News (KHN), a non profit news organization to provide high-quality, coverage of health policy issues and developments at the federal and state levels, in the health care marketplace and health care delivery system. KHN provides health care journalists with opportunities to produce in-depth news stories and distribute them on its web site as well as through major news organizations. KHN also provides daily summaries of news coverage of health from across the nation, original programming from Kaiser’s broadcast studio, and a broad range of commentary from contributing writers and experts. In addition, dedicated Web sites such as statehealthfacts.org and kaiserEDU.org have established KFF as the worldwide information broker of health news and facts.

The foundation’s public information campaigns currently focus on reaching young audiences about HIV/AIDS. KFF media partners in the U.S. include MTV, BET, Univision, Viacom/CBS, and Fox networks. Other international broadcast

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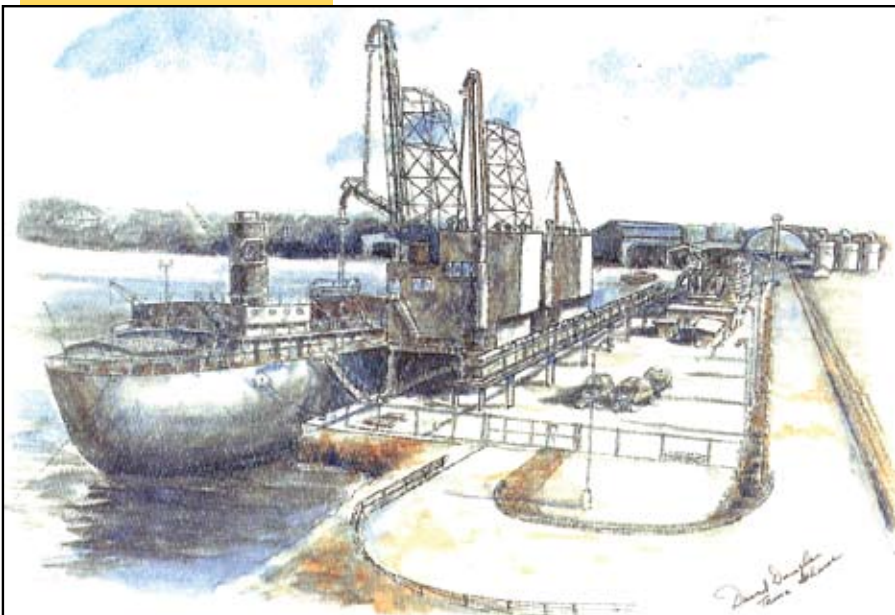
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in Elderhostels when he travels. He went to Florida for spring baseball training and will visit Mt. Rushmore next month. Ravenswood, WV, retiree **Mel Craft** of Gallipolis, OH, helps to transport ailing children to the Shriners Childrens Hospital in Lexington, KY, and to Burns Hospital in West Cincinnati, OH. "A man never stood so tall as one who stoops to help a child," quotes Mel. Amen!

Gramercy, LA, retiree **Gretta Byrne** (Haines City, FL) attended her youngest grandchild's graduation last month. She plans to visit Nova Scotia in September. Trentwood retiree **William (Bill) Nadwornick** (Greenacres, WA) took to the road in his motorhome, visiting British Columbia. The amateur radio ham is traveling solo these days, having lost wife Noreen four years ago. Mead, WA, Works retiree **Danny Petruss, Jr.** (Spokane, WA) says he's an internet freak and likes chasing women. Doesn't say if the chasing is virtual.

Valco, Ghana, Africa, retiree **David Douglas** (Gerton, NC) painted this scene in watercolors of the Valco plant



in Tema, Ghana (pictured below). Tacoma, WA, retiree **Robert A. Mohr** (University Place, WA) does Mission staff work in Russia, Kenya, China and Mexico. Columbiana, OH, Refractories retiree **Jim A. Jackson** of Struthers, OH, spends a lot of time visiting 6 children, 19 grandkids and his first great grandson. Oakland, CA, retiree **Joe Reger** (Boise, ID) restores and shows classic automobiles. A counselor for the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), Joe was recently appointed its treasurer. Kaiser Trading retiree **Robert (Bob) Hopper** (Walnut Creek, CA) caught and released more than 40 trout, during a float trip down the McKenzie River. Six of the trout ended up on the lunch table.

CFT retiree **Wilma Tipton** (Anchorage, AK) volunteers at a faith-based homeless facility, mentoring single moms and serving as a surrogate grandma to their children. Kaiser Center, CA, retiree **Harvey W. Roth** (Modesto, CA) is doing well after double knee replacement surgery. Waynesville, NC, retiree and resident **Robert A. Putnam** sends his regards and thanks to KASRA. You are welcome! CFT retiree **H.J. Ducote** (Saratoga, CA) is a caregiver for his 90-year old wife. Bay Minette, AL, retiree **Joe Ringhoffer** of Spanish Fort, AL, likes to hunt and fish. Retirees **Russell and Leona (Lee) Radach** (Porterville, CA) have happily moved to a new home in the community where Lee attended high school. They take long trips in the Winnebago RV visiting family and friends. After suffering a stroke, Kaiser Ag Chem Savannah, GA, retiree **Mary S. Fussell** has moved to Macon, GA. Prayers go out to Mary as well as to **Adrianus Lodewyckx** of Newark, CA, who continues to recover from a massive stroke that occurred in 2008.

In Memoriam



Richard O. Aney - Fairhope, AL*
Frank B. Boyd - Lake Ozark, MO
Francis M. Brannen - Savannah, GA
William E. Brown - Pleasanton, CA
Robert M. Bull - South Lake Tahoe, CA*
Harold A. Campbell - Cranston, RI
Helen S. Clark - Bloomington, IN*
William D. (Bill) Connelly - Mineral Wells, WV
Paul W. Cornell - Oceanside, CA
Thomas J. Cutshall - LaGrange, CA
Christine F. Dailey - Rocky Ford, GA*
Miriam V. Dauterive - Baton Rouge, LA
Jeptha V. (J.V.) Day - Baton Rouge, LA
Robert G. Delano - Athol, ID*
Leonard R. Dennis - Winter Springs, FL*
Alan B. DeRoss - Wasco, IL
John B. Elsee - Spokane, WA
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Cornelis Langewis - Walnut Creek, CA
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Ted V. Montee - Atlanta, GA
James F. Murphy - San Francisco, CA*
Theron "Travis" Nichols - Pooler, GA
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Howard L. Roper - University Place, WA
Ralph L. Savarese, Sr. - Picayune, MS
Roy E. Short - Spokane, WA
Ernest R. Sly - Spokane, WA
Carl R. Thompson - Spokane Valley, WA
John C. Thompson - Broken Arrow, OK*
Henry J. Wittrock - Santa Rosa, CA
George C. Wolfer - Livermore, CA
Velia M. Young - Gresham, OR

**Died more than one year ago*

The Board of Directors expresses its deepest sympathy to families and loved ones.

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media initiatives involve more than 100 broadcasters working together in almost 50 countries.

Kaiser Family Foundation maintains a major program to help South Africans establish a more equitable national health system and build a successful democracy. To focus on the devastating HIV epidemic there, KFF built a consortium with media partner South Africa Broadcasting to launch loveLife, a comprehensive, nationwide HIV prevention campaign focused on youth.

The Kaiser Family Foundation is yet another example of the legacy and vision of Henry J. Kaiser, proving that knowledge is power in a changing world. For more information on the Kaiser Family Foundation, call KFF at (650) 854-9400 or visit www.kff.org. The organization is not affiliated with Kaiser Permanente or Kaiser Aluminum.

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share this with us, please drop us a line at the address noted above or email us at news@e-kasra.com. Meantime, our thoughts are with you.

Remember, stay active and healthy and, if you are not already a member, please consider joining!

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July 1 Baton Rouge

Lunch at noon at Mansur's, 5720 Corporate Blvd. Spouses are welcome. Call Bob Eisenbach (225) 926-1334 or email bobeisenbach@att.net. Baton Rouge meets the 1st Thursday of each month.

July 5 Los Angeles

Lunch at noon at The Elephant Bar, 14303 E. Firestone Blvd., La Mirada. Contact Norm Manger (310) 377-2135 or email normmanger@cox.net. L.A. meeting held the 1st Monday of each month.

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August 10 Newark

Lunch at 11:00 a.m. at Stacy's Hometown Buffet in Heath, Ohio. Contact Bob Abel (740) 323-2268 or email rlabel@windstream.net. Costs are paid for by the Newark plant.

August 12 Mead

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September 2 Ravenswood

Lunch at 12:00 pm at Cedar Lakes. For information call Dave Whitman (304) 273-5548 or email dwhitman@wirefire.com. Reservations needed by Aug 27th.

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September 14 Chalmette

Lunch at 11:30 a.m. at Jasmine French Restaurant (across from the Slidell Train Station, on the corner of Teddy Avenue in Olde Town Slidell), 1768 Front Street (US Hwy. 11, Blue Star Hwy. RSVP by Aug 31st to Sherman Faught (985) 690-4942 or Chuck Schimmel at (985) 643-0437 or email schimcol@aol.com.