

The Next Stage

FALL DINNER SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

Reservations and checks MUST BE in by Monday, 9/17.

Location: Senior Center on Drake Avenue in Huntsville.

Time: Social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m., with buffet dinner being served at 6:30 p.m.

Menu: Kurt Lineback will be catering again, with another outstanding menu. Your committee members, Bob Lakebrink and Bill Barnes are working hard to make it great!

Attendance: Members (alumni and spouses) and guests are invited. Members are encouraged to bring houseguests, prospective members, and other good friends.

Cost: \$12 per person.

Reservations: Prepaid reservations are needed by Monday, September 17, so Mr. Lineback can acquire appropriate amounts of food. He knows how we enjoy these get-togethers! Last minute cancellations may call Bill Barnes/881-4537 or Glenn Webb/881-3645.

Please respond by deadlines!

ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

HDAA is planning a 2nd annual FREE seminar on Thursday, September 27, 2001, 6:00 p.m., in Room 269 at Trinity United Methodist Church on Airport Rd. in Huntsville. The subject will be Estate Planning and the Tax Relief Act of 2001. Two local tax attorneys, Connie Glass and Carol Wallace, will make the presentation and answer your questions. Please call Bill Russell/650-5400 or Don Wilson/534-9702, by September 20, if you plan to attend, since we need a specific head count. Enter through Trinity's east covered entrance; signs will be posted to direct you to the room. **This promises to be an interesting, as well as informative, seminar you DON'T want to miss!**

60 YEARS AT REDSTONE ARSENAL

If you saw The Huntsville Times Sunday paper, July 22, then you probably saw the special section telling of Redstone Arsenal and, in particular, the page telling of "Thiokol first to bring rocket team". Several of our HDAA members were interviewed by Shelby Spires, of the Times, and provided this important part of historical data. Thanks to Dick Wall, Bill Hunter, Deane Herbert, Bert Mangum, Jim Hightower, Jerry Webb, Jim Lee, and Bill Russell for their input to this article.

We hope, in the future, to have an article about how the HDAA formed out of the Thiokol Huntsville Tactical Division after they closed their doors.



DO YOU KNOW HER?
See Page 2 for answer.

DO YOU RECOGNIZE THESE FOLKS?



Here's a vintage photograph, circa late 1950's, of some familiar faces and one of Thiokol/Huntsville's first rocket motors. Recognize Chuck Babcock? We didn't! He's standing far left. Tax your brain and see if you can identify ALL the faces.

If you're good at putting names to faces, be sure and come to the FALL DINNER and see some of the countless photographs Jim Lee is trying to get historically correct for the Thiokol archives at the Huntsville Public Library.

Still pondering over the cute face on Page 1? It's none other than our Marie Bobb at age 6! She and husband, Carroll, now Vice President of Air Force Programs, reside in Utah. Marie recently said they love the dry climate, which provides excellent weather for early-morning tee times, brisk walks, and their flourishing rose garden.

WE NEED YOUR HELP IN IDENTIFYING SOME OF THE FACES IN A LOT OF PHOTOGRAPHS!

If you'd like to help Jim Lee, HDAA Historian, complete his task of identifying all the photographs for the archives, be sure and give him a call at 881-0527. Any (and ALL) help is sincerely welcome!

CONTEST!

HDAA is sponsoring a contest for the best statement to a Telemarketer to get them off the phone in a hurry. If the Board selects YOUR response, you'll receive a free year's membership (\$12 value). Send your entries to HDAA, POB 4185, Huntsville, AL 35815-4185, or email to donpatti@aol.com.

Samples:

- You've reached a registered Psychic. I know who you are and what you want, so please hang up and I'll send you a response. (Then hang up!)
- I'm just the maid. May I take a message?
- How about that! I'm a Telemarketer, also. Let me tell you about the magazines we sell!
- I'm having dinner now. If you'll leave your number, I'll call back during YOUR dinner break!

FREE 911 CELL PHONE

Did you know some states offer a 911 cell phone program? Free cell phones can be obtained that are utilized for emergency/911 calls ONLY. This is great for seniors who don't want the actual expense of owning a cell phone, but would feel safer when driving. To see if your area offers this program:

- Call your local sheriff or police department;
- Contact your local Area Agency on Aging;
- Call your local US Cellular retail store (listed under Cellular Services in Yellow Pages); or
- Email TRIAD's national office, terrih@sheriffs.org, or call 1-800-424-7827, extension 305.

This could save your life
or the life of a loved one!

Congratulations Newly-Weds!



Sharon and Tom Turner

Married July 6th at the First Baptist Church in Huntsville, close friends and family celebrated their union at the Clock Tower.



Rebecca and Harold Carlisle

Wed in her church in Florida on August 4, they were joined by family and friends as they shared the joy of their union

MORE MEMBER NEWS:



Chuck Owens, left, recently visited Red Hayes at Asbury Acres in Maryville, TN. Red lives near his son, Bob, a retired Methodist minister, and is doing just great. Red can look out and see the Smoky Mountains, where he's enjoyed hiking many times over the years. Red will be 90 this year (Dec.), and would love to hear from his Thiokol friends: 2648 Sevierville Road, Maryville, TN 37804.

Happy Birthday a little early, Red!

Welcome new HDAA Members: LenCaveny (reinstated), Bert Dickerson, and Gene King. That brings our membership to 185 who are current with their dues, and 48 who have forgotten to pay dues since 2000. Call Nita Boyd/H:726-0215, or nita.boyd@rdec.redstone.army.mil, to ensure you are current with your dues.

Wesley Hass, Louise Fenton, and Millace Wallace all need your positive thoughts and prayers as they battle with their illnesses.

In Fond Memory:

We join the families in mourning the loss of dear friends and prior coworkers:

Bob Archard – Beginning in Engineering, he retired from Program Management.

Virgil Gully – Spent most of his years with Thiokol in the Engineering Department.

Don Harper – Time spent with the Huntsville Division was in Processing Engineering, he retired from Utah, returning to Huntsville.

John Kelly – A lead designer-draftsman on various programs in the Engineering Department.

Robert Stanley – Spending his time with Thiokol in the Research & Development Department, he then moved on to the Propulsion Directorate with MICOM.

Virgil Lacy, a native Huntsvillian, was Helen Acuff's long-time friend, and owner of The Uniform Shop.

Our friends will be sorely missed.

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For internet information, see:

<http://hiwaay.net/~cstokes/HDAA/>

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Fall Dinner Sept 20th ...
at the Senior Center
in Huntsville!*

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