



*Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club Newsletter*

# *Cliff Notes*

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The Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club (HGRC) is a 501(c)(3) organization. All dues and contributions are tax deductible.

## ***HGRC Board Closes Down Club***

### **President's Report** –*Chuck Jonkosky acting.*

These two positions [President and Vice-President] have been filled by a rotation of the HGRC board members and we were unable to find full time volunteers for the President and VP positions going forward. Hence in September the current HGRC Board Members met and with great trepidation and decided to dissolve the HGRC. Below you will find closing thoughts and comments from your HGRC Board Members.

### **Vice-President's Report** – *Dave Oman acting.*

See President's report.

### **Secretary's Report** – *Mark Steele*



It is with sadness that I write this for the last newsletter of the Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club. I want to share it has been my privilege and honor to serve as your club Vice-President, President and now Secretary for the past 9 years. I have enjoyed the fellowship and comradery visiting with fellow retirees over the past 12 years since I retired. I wish everyone health and long life as we enjoy our retirement years. God Bless you all!

Board meeting minutes, September 18, 2024:

The Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club (HGRC) Board meeting began at 11:02 AM. Those in attendance were: Jim Brink, Bob Davenport, Frank Holman, Chuck Jonkosky, Dave Oman, Diane Rencenberger, Mark Steele and Dolf Strom, which thus constitutes a quorum in accordance with our By-laws requirements. Diane Bennett attended as a guest. The meeting was held at the Gecko Grill on McDowell Rd.

The Board discussed merging the Club with the Honeywell Retirees Activities Club (HRAC) but the consensus was not to do that. Chuck moved to dissolve the Club, Diane B seconded the motion and it passed. The Board will recommend to the membership that they join HRAC.

Diane B reported that from her records there are twelve members who have paid multiple years in advance. Mark moved to refund the advance dues to the twelve individuals, Chuck seconded and the motion passed.

Scholarship Fund – Chuck reported there is \$28 left in the Scholarship account. Chuck will notify Honeywell that the Club is dissolving and will no longer be available to accept the \$8000.00 annual Honeywell donation.

Jim moved to donate any remaining Club funds to the Club Christmas charity, Vista Del Camino. Motion was seconded and passed. Dave is going to send an email to the twelve people due a refund and give them the option of a refund or donate the amount to the Club to be donated to Vista Del Camino.

The Club P.O Box is paid through February 2025 and will be closed at that time.

Chuck moved that Dolf and Jim close all bank accounts after all funds have been disbursed. Mark seconded and the motion passed.

Chuck moved to cancel the Club website and domain name. Bob seconded and the motion passed. Dave will follow up with Maureen to accomplish this.

Chuck, Dolf and Jim will handle the notification of the Club dissolution with the IRS and the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Chuck moved that there be no final Club meeting, Dave seconded and the motion passed.

There will be a final newsletter published announcing that the Club is dissolving.

Diane B and Diane R will notify the Scottsdale Senior Center that the Club will no longer be meeting and pick any Club items, if any, that are at the Center.

It was the Board consensus that anyone who has photos, documents or memorabilia may dispose of them as they see fit.

There will be one more Board meeting on November 6th to confirm all action items to close the Club have been accomplished. The Board meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM.

### **Treasurer's Report** – *Jim Brink*



Following the summer of 2024, all scholarship checks were cashed leaving about \$8.00 in that account. The Club operating balance was just over a thousand dollars.

With the decision by the Board to shut down the Club, any remaining funds will be donated to a charity in accordance with Arizona Corporation requirements. The Board selected the Vista Del Camino organization as the recipient of these funds.

It was further decided by the Board to leave the Club bank account open until the end of the year to ensure all obligations have been met.

I first signed on to be the Treasurer for the HGRA Scholarship Team since my grandkids would be candidates for scholarship awards. After several months in this capacity, the need for a Treasurer for HGRC also came about and after a bit of coercion I decided to take on that responsibility as well.

My oldest grandson did in fact receive scholarship funds and his younger brother who just started at Arizona State University will not be a beneficiary of the generosity provided by HGRC, so my contributions to the Club have been gratefully rewarded.

I can't thank enough to all of you that contributed to the scholarship fund over the years.

## Events Report – *Dave Oman*



No future events planned except for the possibility of an east valley happy hour that would be promoted via our on-going Facebook site

## Fix-It Guys Report – *Frank Holman*



Nothing to report.

## Membership Report – *Dolf Strom – acting.*



I'm depressed writing this last article for the Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club.

I have been a member for many years, four years as President.

I was involved in changing our name from Garrett Retirees Club to Honeywell-Garrett Retirees Club.

I was particularly proud of our Scholarship program. When we were partners with the Honeywell Retirees Club our members were very generous. When we continued on our own we got our Club to become a non-profit corporation (501 (c)(3)). That made all Club donations and dues tax deductible.

I also initiated the updating of our website.

I wish everyone good health, wealth, and long happy retirement years.

## **Scholarship Report** – *Chuck Jonkosky*



We closed out the 2024/2025 HGRC Scholarship awards with funds from our generous members and matching funds from Honeywell Aerospace. The award checks were mailed in July and all the recipients have acknowledged receipt.

The students were Walter Davenport, Paige Cornel, Brent Cornell, Makena Cook, Christopher Kenehan, Ben Carlo and Sean van Dobben. Congratulations!!

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve as a HGRC Board member and Director of the HGRC scholarship program. I know this scholarship program has been a great help to our students, and they are very appreciative of the awards. It is with great sadness that the HGRC Scholarship will NO longer continue. I have enjoyed re-connecting with fellow Honeywell- Garrett retirees and wish them all very well.

## **Social Director Report** – *Diane Rencenberger*



I have enjoyed working for the Club, to do what I could to help out. I met many wonderful people and have many fond memories of our meetings and events.

## **Webmaster Report** – *Dave Oman*

Nothing to report.

## **At Large Report** – *Bob Davenport*



No report.

## **In Memoriam** – *Al Stimac*

Nothing to report.