


UPCOMING EVENT ITEMS

 Engineering Research Associates 1946 - 2016	Our IT Legacy	March 2	10 AM – Board Meeting	UNISYS, Eagan
		March 9	7 PM – Social hour & Program	LMCO, Eagan
		April 6	10 AM – Board Meeting	UNISYS, Roseville
		April 20	11 AM – Volunteer Recognition Luncheon	Joseph's in St. Paul
		May 6	10:30 AM – Roseville Good Old Days	Mermaid in New Brighton

MARCH PROGRAM Air Traffic Control Part II

March 9th, 7:00 PM: Please join us for Part II of the Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management (ATM) story. Steve Koltes, who covered the first 50 years of Univac-to-Lockheed Martin involvement in ATM at the VIP Club program meeting in September of 2014, will provide an update to current activities and future programs and opportunities. His main topics are:

- Current/future programs in the Air Traffic Domain
- Examples of some of our current efforts and how they improve air space management
- Update on the Lockheed Martin Divesture of Information Systems and Global Solutions (IG&GS).

Steve's first talk, which was held at the LM facility in Eagan, drew a large crowd, many of whom had worked in the ATM group, some for their entire career. For this March program, again at the LMCO Eagan facility, Steve will build on the history of our first half century and then discuss Lockheed Martin's current and future efforts assuring safe and efficient air travel.

Background: In 1964, our first air traffic control system was deployed at the Atlanta, GA airport. It was the result of the FAA's (Federal Aviation Administration) development "Project Beacon" and our company's efforts for NTDS. It was known as the first Automated Radar Terminal System (ARTS I). ARTS evolved to ARTS III and in 1969 the FAA gave us the green light project to build and install the ARTS III systems at 64 major U.S. sites. Over time the systems were enhanced and expanded to include many other airports domestically and internationally. See

<http://vipclubmn.org/aircontrol.html#Genealogy> for the genealogy of our air traffic control systems.

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APRIL PROGRAM Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

April 20th, 11:00 AM: April is National Volunteer Month; our Club's Recognition Luncheon honors all VIP Club members who perform volunteer services wherever they reside. Please join us at Joseph's Grill in St. Paul MN. Unisys and Lockheed Martin Management representatives are invited to be our event guests. Your entry ticket is your submittal of a 2015 VOLUNTEER SURVEY FORM. Three options are provided on page 5 of this Newsletter for submittal by mail, Email or online through the VIP Club website (vipclubmn.org). The link for accessing the website and the Survey Form with directions for entering Volunteer Services information is also provided on page 5



Last year 106 Unisys and Lockheed Martin retiree members responded to the 2014 hours' survey with 25,968 hours of service to various non-profit organizations in Minnesota, and several other states. Last year fifty members and guests attended the Luncheon as we honored Keith Myhre with the Bernie & Kathy Jansen *Volunteer Extraordinaire* award. Please send nominees for this year's award to Past President Lowell Benson. For those of you who weren't there, look at the April 16th, 2015 entry of web page

<http://vipclubmn.org/History.html#Milestones>.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Position: The board needs a youthful person (under 70) to learn our processes then provide leadership for future years. 1) Contact any board member, 2) sit in on one of our board meetings, and then 3) consider joining us as part of your retirement time allocations, 8-16 hours per month.

For your calendars: May 13th, Syttende Mai at Casper's; June 15th, Annual Picnic at the Highland Park Pavilion; and Nov. 18th, UNIHOGS/UNITURKEYS at Casper's in Eagan.

Newsletter inputs: For the April Newsletter, please send articles, recent obits, or lighter side items to Joe Schwarz before March 4th, see Contact Data section.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Back in October I talked about the subject of volunteering. Each year we ask VIP Club members to submit a summary of volunteer efforts that they were involved in. We are at that time again and would ask you to use one of the three options provided on page 5 to let us know about the things you did in 2015. From my discussions with other retirees I know that many, if not most, of them do some volunteer work. It may be for a religious group, non-profit, civic group, school or other organization. Some have told me they don't want any special recognition but as a retirement club we think it is important to make sure its members are rewarded for the wonderful things they do for others. Submitting this data lets us collect the total amount that club members contribute and lets us brag a bit about how great our membership is. The VIP Club's Volunteer Luncheon will be held at Joseph's Grill in St. Paul again this year, a beautiful venue with great food. It will be held on Wednesday, April 20, at 11:00 AM. Please join us there as a reward for your generous contribution. Sincerely, Keith Behnke, 2016 Club President.



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Unisys 1-877-864-7972
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PERIODIC GROUPS

A Luncheon Group [engineering/ drafting] meets monthly on the 1st Tuesday in Eagan at 11:00 AM - **Rickey's Café at Stark's**, 3125 Dodd Road, Eagan, MN.

One Breakfast Group now meets monthly at 8:00 AM on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Capitol View Cafe, 637 Smith Ave. St. Paul.

A Second Luncheon Group [Unisys and Burroughs] meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 11:30 AM at the Mall of America 3rd floor North Food Court. We sit at the tables between the elevator and Burger King. Contact phone is #952-854-7855.

Another Breakfast Group meets monthly at 9:00 AM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Eagles Club, Old Hwy 8, in New Brighton. Coordinator Marv Brown's phone is 763-416-3903.

A Third Unisys Luncheon Group meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 11:00 AM at the Old Country Buffet, Holly Shopping Center, located at University Ave. and Mississippi St. just north of I-694. Coordinator phone is 651-552-1465.

A Fourth Luncheon Group (SCF) meets in the odd numbered months on the 2nd Saturday at 11:30 AM at the Baker's Square on 3088 White Bear Avenue in Maplewood. Coordinator phone is 651-429-3319.

Rapinac, James; Age 80 of Gold Canyon AZ. Passed away unexpectedly on January 23rd. Rapp was a VIP Club member and a prolific article contributor to our IT Legacy anthology. His 25⁺-year career ranged from being a PERT analyst on the CP-667 development to VP of TSD, then VP of Sperry Defense Systems marketing. Our condolences to his wife, Judy.



Swenson, Leslie (Les); Age 84 of Eagan, MN. Passed away peacefully on January 13th, 2016. Les is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lu. Les had a long career at Unisys Corporation from which he retired in 1990.

Vogel, Robert Lee; Age 88, of Eagan MN. Passed away January 19th, 2016. Survived by Marion, his loving wife of 66 years. Robert is a Unisys retiree and they are long time members of the VIP Club.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Charley, Jeona A. - Age 91 passed away on December 3rd, 2015. She was preceded in death by her husband. Jeona was a longtime employee of Sperry Univac in Roseville.

Domka, Chieko - Age 86 of Eagan, MN. Preceded in death by husband, John. John was a Lockheed employee who worked in the drafting department.



Kobett, Gordon C. - Age 81 of Las Cruces, NM formerly of St. Paul, MN. Gordon was an employee of Unisys for over 30 years. Gordon was preceded in death by his wife Frances Kobett (Bubar).

Marble, Dennis Charles "Denny" - Age 77 of Eden Prairie, MN. . Died of cancer on February 5th, 2016. Survived by wife of 53 years, Barbara. Denny worked and retired from Lockheed Martin after 32 years of service



Oliver, Keith Walter; Age 77, of Menomonie, WI. Passed away on the morning of January 23rd, 2016 at the Neighbors of Dunn County Care Center. Keith is survived by his wife, Bonnie. Keith enjoyed a long and successful career. He was a defense systems diagnostic programmer at Unisys and retired in 2000. Keith was a long time member of the VIP Club.



SOCIAL ACTIVITY ITEMS

February Program Recap: Those of you who didn't brave a chilly Minnesota evening missed a very informative presentation. Don Anderson from Amtrak in St. Paul gave an interesting presentation on the history of Amtrak, the Empire Builder, trains around the world, train trips you might want to consider, what class of service might be best, when low fees are in effect and when train travel may fit well in a trip with multiple modes of travel. A few of the interesting takeaways were: Although there may be talk about it, don't expect a Twin Cities to Duluth passenger train service to be happening anytime soon – There simply would not be enough passengers to justify the cost; Likewise, a high speed train between Chicago and the Twin Cities (like between Washington and New York) is simply unfeasible with the current level of travel between the cities; Most seniors that travel by train go for the deluxe sleeper with private bath room (at least if the wife has anything to say about it) and these sell out in April – If you want a 1/2 price one, travel in the winter; With cheaper one-way plane tickets, train/plane combos are the way that a lot of people are traveling – Look at what you want to see on the train, see in what direction the train will be going there at what time of day and book accordingly; Locally, you might want to think about a one-way ride with grandchildren to Red Wing or Winona from St. Paul with a car ride back – Both fares are reasonable. Go to www.amtrak.com to find their routes, fares and schedules.

NEW MEMBERS

Thomas Austin	
Melvin Hemmerich	
Michael Sargeant	

REPORTS, LEGACY ACTIVITIES

March Article for the Month: Write a Book? How about an autobiography? Shortly after we formed the Information Technology (IT) Legacy Committee, Dick Lundgren began to write Legacy articles for the VIP Club newsletter. During the committee's decade of volunteering, other members have also written Legacy associated newsletter items. This booklet is a collection of those VIP Club newsletter articles. The first several articles are the history of the Legacy Committee as we felt our way through the quagmire of gathering documents and hardware artifacts and then cataloging them. Therefore, to some degree, this booklet is the IT Legacy Committee's autobiography.

This complements our December 2015 'Article for the Month'. That too was a booklet: *Measuring Success = Volunteer Hours*; recapping a decade with summaries of over 100 on-line IT Legacy articles.

Do you remember DOS? (Disc Operating System) Marilyn Payne, a retired UNISYS Roseville programmer, contacted Lowell asking if there was a place for an old, old computer. I informed her that the Legacy committee was accepting artifacts for exhibiting at the Lawshe Memorial Museum in S St Paul. I went to her home to pick up the unit – she told me that many years ago, the company was obsolescing some company properties, she got this one.



I took it home, set it up on a rec-room table, and then powered it on. (The power cable, the keyboard, the keyboard cable, and several floppies were stored in the cover.) This unit is a Sperry Portable Processor, Model SP2 (T3097-01) S/N 002910. The unit weighs about 35#; it has two 5½" floppy drives plus a couple of rear connectors for serial and parallel interfaces. It did boot up a DOS 2.11 operating system from Drive A. I got it to load a BASIC assembler from Drive B. Among the floppies are several game discs that Marilyn's children used to play in conjunction with the internal 512k of RAM – no hard drive in the unit. I'll describe Marilyn's other artifact donation next month.

This pre-MAC, pre-desktop PC, pre-laptop unit, pre-windows, and pre-touch screen unit can be used to demonstrate late 70s user interfaces to our youth who visit the museum exhibits. By *L.A. Benson*

LIGHTER SIDE



VOLUNTEER SURVEY DATA IS DUE BY APRIL 6th

APRIL 20 AGENDA and 2015 VOLUNTEER SURVEY FORM

- 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM Check in, Nametags, Coffee & Socializing,
- 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM Enjoy a sandwich buffet sandwich luncheon,
- 12:15 PM – 12:45PM Program recognizing our volunteers, then
- 12:45 PM – 1:30 PM Last cup of coffee and a bit more socializing.

Your Volunteer Survey Form must be received by April 6th for listing in the Printed Program.

VIP Club Volunteer Services Codes with Organization Samples in each Category:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Service Area</i>	<i>Code</i>	<i>Service Area</i>
1	Community and Related Services AARP Volunteers Civic/Government Support Services Community Services DARTS Minnesota Senior Federation/VISTA Scouts Senior Centers United Way	2	Meals, Food and Housing Services Dorothy Day Center Food Services / Senior Dining Habitat for Humanity Loaves and Fishes Meals on Wheels Sharing and Caring Hands
3	Health and Disaster Services American Cancer Society, Arthritis Foundation, Courage Center, Red Cross & Bloodmobile Services, Signet Health & Rehab. Center	4	Religious and Related Services Basilica of St. Mary Church Missions and Camps Lutheran Missions, Presbyterian Homes, Related Charities
5	Schools and Educational Services Historical Societies Volunteer Services in Schools Wright Brothers National Memorial	6	Music and Theatrical Services Guthrie Theater Northern Lights Variety Band North Suburban Chorus
7	Animal Humane Society Law Enforcement Services Small Business Consulting Veterans & Armed Forces Support	Other Services Juvenile Court Guardian Mutual Interest Association UNISYS & LMCO Legacy VIP CLUB	

- E-mail your volunteer information directly to Frank King at kingx063@umn.edu. Provide the same information as detailed in the “Volunteer Hours Survey Form” below including how many will be at the luncheon. **OR**
- Go on-line to <http://vipclubmn.org/volunteer.html>. Scroll down to the on-line survey submittal boxes section. Enter your name, e-mail address, volunteer information per the example, your total hours, and how many will be attending the luncheon. Then click on the ‘Submit Query’ button. **OR**
- Fill out and mail the form below to Bernie Jansen 848 Ivy Lane Eagan, MN 55123-2425

<i>VIP CLUB Volunteer Hours Survey Form for Year 2015</i>		
	Member/Spouse Names _____	Your City _____ State ____
*Service Code	Organization(s) for which volunteer Services were performed	Member & Spouse Hours per line
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**Please indicate how many of you will attend the volunteer luncheon.		Total Hours:
Enter 0, 1, or 2: _____		_____

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DIRECTIONS TO ACTIVITY VENUES

Car-pool if possible to all events or contact a board member for possible 'ride-with' suggestions.

Directions to UNISYS in Roseville: Set your GPS unit to Roseville MN, 2470 Highcrest Road. From Hwy 35W north; exit onto W County Rd C to go west a mile, then turn left onto Walnut St. Then turn right onto Terminal Road for half a block, turn right at Highcrest Rd. to building entrance. From 35W south, exit on Industrial Way / St. Anthony Blvd off ramp, turn left, drive under the freeway, then turn right onto Walnut St. Follow it 0.8 mi north then turn left on Terminal Road. Go ½ blocks and enter the UNISYS parking lot on the right. From Hwy 36 east, drive west until 36 joins Hwy 35W just past Hwy 280, then exit at the Industrial Way / St. Anthony Blvd. off ramp of 35W. Go north on St.



Anthony Blvd. to Walnut St. [the first street on the right]. Turn right onto Walnut Street.

Directions to Unisys MACS in Eagan: Set your GPS unit to Eagan MN, 3199 Pilot Knob Road. From Hwy 35E take the Pilot Knob Road exit ramp. Then go north on Pilot Knob Road about ½ mile to Tower View Road. We use the Unisys north parking lot and the visitor entrance thereby.



Directions to LMCO in Eagan: Set your GPS unit to Eagan MN, 1303 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 100 Eagan, MN 55121. From Roseville area, take 35E south through St. Paul then exit to the west onto I-494. Then take exit 71 for Co Rd 31 (Pilot Knob Road) and go south. *Turn left onto Corporate Center Drive*, then when you see the LMCO sign, turn left, start up the hill then turn left into the parking lot - drive through the parking lot to the west side of the building and turn left into that parking lot section. Enter the building through the west door. From Minneapolis or Bloomington, get onto 494 going East then take exit 71 onto Pilot Knob Road going south - then follow the Corporate Center Drive instructions above.



Directions to Joseph's in St Paul: Set your GPS unit to St Paul, MN - 140 Wabasha St S 55107. From the Roseville area take 35E South toward St Paul, get into the left lane and exit onto Hwy 52 going south. After crossing the river, take the ramp right toward Eaton St. At the stop sign, turn right onto E Florida Street. Then turn right onto State St for 2 blocks and then turn left on Plato Blvd. Drive west on Plato for 0.4 mi then turn right onto Wabasha [north]. After 1/4 mi, Joseph's will be on the right. From the Eagan area take 35E north to I494 east to Hwy 52 going north. Take the ramp right for Lafayette Road then turn left [west] onto Plato Blvd. After 0.6 mi, turn right [north] onto Wabasha, Joseph's Grill will be on the right after 1/4 mi.