



At 2 a.m. Sunday, March 12, you will need to set your clocks forward one hour to 3 a.m., meaning we will "spring forward" and lose an hour of sleep. In November, we will do the opposite – setting our clocks back one hour and gaining an extra hour of sleep. This year, daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m.

Due to the efforts required to print and mail hard copies of the newsletter, we will only be sending a hard copy of the VIP Club Newsletter to those members without e-mail access. Members have easy access to the newsletter via the link in the e-mail you receive from "clubnewsltr@vipclubmn.org."

NOTICE: This is the final newsletter for any member whose membership has EXPIRED!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lawshe Memorial Museum Open House

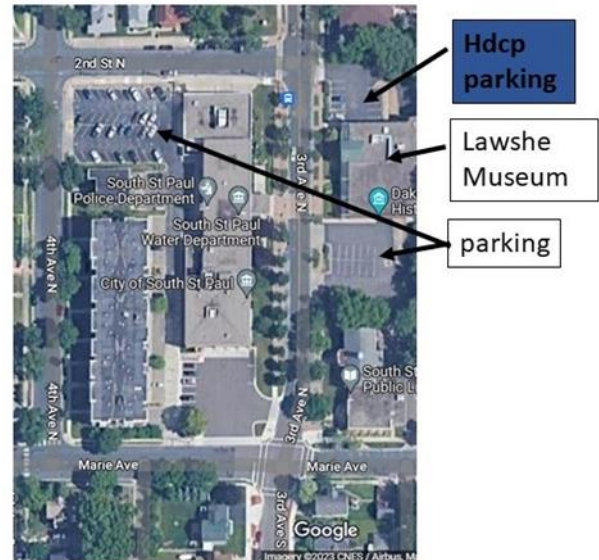
March 7, 2:30 p.m. gathering: VIP Club members are invited to a private open house at the newly renovated Lawshe Memorial Museum. *More defense-industry computer artifacts than any other museum in the world!*

- ✓ Browse the updated and expanded artifact exhibits in the Great Room
- ✓ Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and light refreshments (wine or water, cheese and crackers)
- ✓ Meet the VIP Club's 2023 Board of Directors
- ✓ Revel in legacy accomplishments since the 2012 closure of the Eagan Lockheed Martin plant
- ✓ See the room dedicated to legacy cataloguing
- ✓ Thank our volunteers who have donated thousands of hours cataloguing documents and photographs as well as providing poster board data <http://vipclubmn.org/Exhibits.html#Essay>.

The museum reopened on January 21 after a 12-month closure for a \$2M renovation, bringing the facility's ADA accessibility up to code, thanks to the Dakota County Board of Commissioners.

Evites went out in mid-February—please respond by March 4 so we can order sufficient wine and food. The <http://vipclubmn.org/activities.html#venues> has the museum address and driving directions. Parking adjacent to the museum is limited. If you have a handicapped sticker, park on the North side – else south of museum or behind the city hall per figure top right.

VIP Club Scheduled Board Meetings: April 5, June 7, August 2, October 4. We're scheduled to meet in person at the Eagan Wescott Library. Club members may sit in if curious about club business. Contact the president two days prior for access.



If you do not have e-mail or have been procrastinating, call Lowell Benson at 651-483-3709 Sat. morning, March 4.

Volunteer Recognition Luncheon April 19 at 11:00 a.m.: Join us at Joseph's Grill, 140 Wabasha Street South, Saint Paul, MN 55107. *Coordinator: Past President Harvey Taipale.*

April is National Volunteer Month, and once again the VIP Club will recognize our volunteers with a FREE luncheon at Joseph's Grill. All VIP Club members (spouses are members too) who volunteered for any non-profit organization or activity in 2022 are welcome.

Volunteerism: To give of one's time and talents for the benefit of others. ANY individual or group volunteerism is good and should be recognized! Mark your calendar saving the date, then watch for the evite in mid-March. Registration is required so we can provide an accurate headcount to Joseph's on April 4.



Even if you aren't available for the lunch, the VIP Club would appreciate receiving your volunteer survey input. The Club plans on recognizing all members who submit their input in the program and plans to send programs to all respondents. Use the form on page 7 of this newsletter or e-mail board@vipclubmn.org with the form information or browse to <http://vipclubmn.org/Volunteer.html>.

LUNCHEON SCHEDULE:

- 11:00–11:30 Check-in, nametags, coffee and socializing; cash bar available
- 11:30–12:15 Enjoy a hot buffet lunch: meat & potatoes, veggies, gravy, salad, coffee & water
- 12:15–12:45 Program recognizing our volunteers, Volunteer Extraordinaire Award, and open mic
- 12:45–1:30 Last cup of coffee and a bit more socializing

Nominate someone to receive the Volunteer Extraordinaire Award. Please send her/his name and your reason(s) why before March 30 to board@vipclubmn.org. The first recipient was Keith Myhre, recognizing his skill and initiatives in support of the Lawshe Memorial Museum. See <http://vipclubmn.org/history.html#Milestones> where the ensuing six recipients are noted. Who is your suggestion for the next award?

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you all for allowing me the opportunity to serve as the next president of the VIP Club. I want to thank Harvey Taipale for his service. As our past president, he will continue on the VIP board and provide guidance.



I have worked with many of you over the years, but for those who do not know me, here is a short synopsis of my career.

In June of 1977, I was hired as a young man of 19 into Sperry Univac – Navy Systems Customer Service Engineering group lead by Bob Hedlund. I quickly realized what a large presence Sperry Univac had in the Twin Cities working as an expediter between all the plants during the first few months, while supporting the startup of the UYK-7 Control Center in Plant 2.

In the late '70s I was on field assignment working the S3A and P3 flight-line at the Burbank airport supporting the 1832 avionics computer. After that I transferred to International Field Engineering and was assigned to the Iranian project. Upon the overthrow of the Shah, the ships that were bound for Iran were transferred to the U.S. Navy and I was transferred, for three years, to Pascagoula, MS to support their deployment.

Upon my return to MN, I was assigned the Navy Systems Tech Support group which traveled around the

country solving engineering problems for the Navy on land sites, ships and submarines. Being the junior member of this group, I was blessed to travel with some of the most experienced engineers in UNIVAC. It was the greatest learning experience of my career.

In the mid '90s, I spent three years supporting the installations of Common Automated Radar Terminal System (ARTS) for the Air Traffic Control (ATC) group. Then, with the startup of the Q-70 program, I became the lead field engineer and later logistic support on the program.

In June 2009, I transferred to the ATC group as the operations manager supporting all the Information Systems & Global Solutions (IS&GS) Lockheed Martin activities in Eagan. In December 2012, we moved from 3333 Pilot Knob Road to our new site at 1303 Corporate Center Drive. In August 2015, Lockheed Martin divested our organization. On August 16, 2016, I became an employee of Leidos Corporation's Air Traffic group.

I retired in April 2018.

As we move forward with the VIP Club, I share Harvey's concerns about its future. It is evident that we need participation of younger members to maintain the VIP Club as a viable entity. To that goal we will be reaching out to some of the legacy companies that have maintained their presence in MN and attempt to connect with them in some of their social activities, making them aware of our history and ongoing efforts of knowledge transfer and socialization.

Steve Koltes, VIP Club President

YOUR 2023 BOARD STORY

As the VIP Club Board has asked in the past for you to share *Your Story*, they are starting their new year sharing some of their pictures and stories. In this issue, Gish Devlaminck shares a bit of his life story, but held back on his picture—love his sense of humor on his reason why—something having to do with a witness protection program?? Anyway, see his story, then see pictures of some of our 2023 Board members. Hopefully more pictures and stories will follow in future issues. And remember, Your Stories are still always welcome!

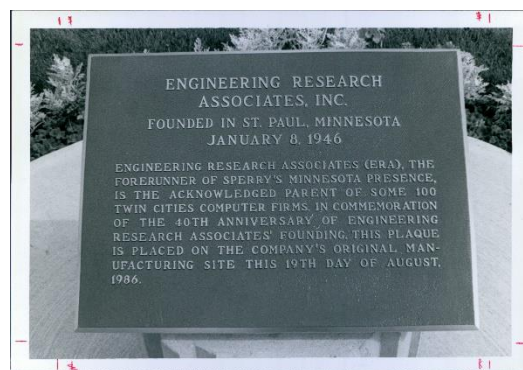
Board Bio: Ghislain Devlaminck

As a member of the VIP Club Board, I was asked to write a short biography. Most of you are probably wondering how a guy with a strange name like Ghislain Devlaminck got on the VIP board. I was born in Belgium. They were going to name me Paul, but there were already too many Pauls in the family so I got stuck with a nice long name. I crossed the Atlantic with my parents in September of 1949 at one year and five months old. I grew up on a farm southwest of one of

LEGACY STORIES

Anticipation of Excitement

Lowell Benson received the following from Chad Roberts, President of the Ramsey County Historical Society: “Thanks Lowell, [personal note redacted out.] I do have some related news, and this just happened so I have not reached out yet, but RCHS (the Ramsey County Historical Society) is planning on installing a plaque at the original ERA headquarters [sic. 1902 Minnehaha Ave., St. Paul] this June (probably the 15th or 22nd) and holding an unveiling event that we want to invite the VIP Club to attend. I’ll have a bit more information soon and will follow up when I do.”



Original 1986 plaque from a 40-year dedication

Our Stories of August 2020 has the background (<http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/40-Yr%20Plaque.pdf>). Watch for an update in the May/June newsletter and/or the home page announcements.

Computer History Archives

Mark Greenia from the Computer History Archives Project (CHAP) sent the following to Lowell Benson: “Greetings Lowell, one month into 2023, I have been updating the Computer History film playlists of various categories. The first one updated is the UNIVAC/ERA playlist. You are familiar with most of these YouTube videos; you and VIP members helped with the development of several. The “Playlist” simply makes them easy to access through one link {CHAP background, http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/CHAP_SummaryRev1.pdf}. These YouTube videos provide a fascinating early history of UNIVAC/ERA family of computers from the beginnings of the top secret “Engineering Research Associates” (1946) to the UNIVAC I of 1951 and beyond ([Computer History Archives PLAYLIST for UNIVAC/ERA family of computers](#)); hope you enjoy this look back into history. The Playlist includes original Remington-Rand, Sperry and Burroughs films. It currently contains 32 films, with room for more in the future – not in chronological order.

Minnesota’s famous towns, Ghent, named after Ghent, Belgium. Ghent had Minnesota’s first legal bar after prohibition. After high school, I went to a tech school to learn about two-way radios and got a job climbing radio towers. The highest one was 1,250 feet. Before I started the climb, I checked in at a restroom.

In 1968, to avoid the Vietnam draft, I joined the U.S. Navy, but ended up there anyway because of this organization called the Marine Corps that is part of the Department of the Navy and always needs help. I was an avionics tech who fixed radio, Identification Friend or Foe (IFF), and navigation systems. Besides my marriage, the Navy was the next best thing to happen in my life. It got me a free electrical engineering degree, including an internship in the arctic with the Office of Naval Research Skyhook 74 project launching, tracking and recovering high-altitude research balloons. I learned that in the summer, there are a lot of mosquitos and flies just south of the arctic ice, but also some of the best wild strawberries I’ve ever tasted.

After graduating from college at the age of 27, UNIVAC hired me. When I interviewed at Plant 8 in Eagan, MN, Pilot Knob Road and Yankee Doodle Road were two-lane tar roads with a grass ditch on each side. I worked on projects at Plant 8, Shepard Road and Midway. These included TERPES, MATCAL, ABCCC, AYK-14, B2, VIPS and many other projects. After over 35 years, the plant closed, and I was offered a job in Owego, NY; being over 60, I decided that a move to that backwoods facility was not a good choice.

I worked part-time in the Silver Bar when I was going to school on the GI Bill and heard many great stories, some of which may have been fabricated. Being a bartender is like being a priest in a confessional. I’m trying to write the Tales of the Silver Dollar to record those stories. Besides my writing, I’m staying out of trouble by keeping busy with my history projects, being a VFW officer, and being the membership manager on the VIP Club Board.

Some 2023 Board Members



Jim Andrews, Vice President



Harvey Taipale, Past President



Keith Behnke, Director



Boni Westberg, Secretary

From South of the Equator

We received the following newsletter e-mail: “Hi VIP Club news editor: My name is Dirk Stoffels, living in Canberra, Australia. Earlier in my working career (now retired), I used to work with the Submarine Fire Control System (SFCS) used on the Australian Oberon submarines. Part of this Singer-Librascope system was the U1600EM Data Processing Set (similar to an AN/UYK-20, but different). I have recently become associated with a couple of submarine museums, and we are trying to locate copies (physical or electronic) of the technical manuals for the U1600EM computer. Is it possible for your organization to spread the word asking if anybody knows where copies of these manuals may be located and are they accessible? I know the documents as being:

- NAVELEX 1427-0001-1 U1600 Data Processing Set – Technical Manual Volume 1
- NAVELEX 1427-0001-2 U1600 Data Processing Set – Technical Manual Volume 2
- NAVELEX 1427-0001-3 U1600 Data Processing Set – Technical Manual Volume 3
- NAVELEX 1427-0001-4 U1600 Data Processing Set – Technical Manual Volume 4 Referred to in a SFCS training course notes manual. Sperry Univac manual.

NAVELEX stands for Naval Electronic Systems Command, but UNIVAC may have used different identifier numbers.”

Keith Myhre responded to Mr. Stoffels with some electronic links on behalf of the VIP Club. If any of our readers happen to have hard copies of any NAVELEX documents, we’d be happy to take them out of your basement and get them to Mr. Stoffels for their submarine museums.

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Human Computer Interface History

Last October we submitted a candidate for the Charles Babbage Institutes’ (CBI) 2022 Annual Ben Shneiderman HCIH Award: our Legacy Anthology website chapters. We were not selected; however, we are proud of our place in this technology history. Where would the world be: ♦ If Lee Granberg hadn’t invented and patented CRT painting of characters on screen ♦ If Charles Kiesling hadn’t invented and patented the blinking cursor ♦ If our Speech Group hadn’t invented voice mail including voice recognition for computer responses ♦ If Don Weidenbach hadn’t project engineered the first-in-the-world order call-in catalog system running on the Speed Tally in the early 50s?

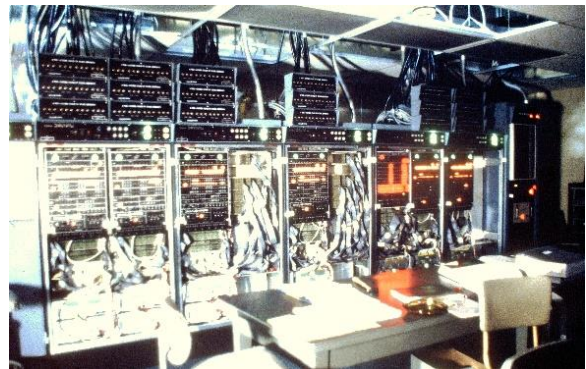
Browse ‘Our Stories’ to enjoy the submittal, <http://www.vipclubmn.org/OurStories.html#2023> for March, #302.

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More Legacy Inputs

One more letter from a former employee to Lowell: “Good morning Mr. Benson. My name is Dave Gunderson. Like yourself, I’m retired and probably spend too much of my free time on the &y@#! internet. I did a web search yesterday on the MPC-1616 and ended up on the VIP website.

A little history here: I was employed by Sperry UNIVAC in the 1976-1980 time frame. I worked in the field installation of both EARTS and ARTSIIIA Systems. My time at Eagan was limited as most of my time was spent at the EARTS and ARTS test beds. Then out to the field on the various installations. When ARTSIIIA wound down, I moved on to a second career in the Federal Government.



EARTS Test Bed Installation

I see that you have an ‘Our Stories’ section and thought that I’d like to offer a story on my learning the ‘trade’ (field support) and my EARTS experience in Alaska. In addition to my story, I have a dozen photos of the installation in Anchorage (equipment in place) and the installation team enjoying life in the last frontier. The real treasure in this is the photos in their Kodachrome glory.

Also, in my post UNIVAC career, I worked in the DoD and ran across system issues that the Army had with the Quicklook System and the UYK-23 computers. That is another interesting story. I supported the Quicklook II system as a Depot level Tech Rep. As with the problems, my experience with the MPC-1616 previously solved the problems that the Army had had.”



Grumman RV1C had Sensor Pods and Gas Tanks under the Wings

Mr. Gunderson’s micro-bio is now in Chapter 13, People G-H. His EARTS history is Our Stories for April and for May his AN/UYK-23 story, being formatted as this newsletter issue goes to press.

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Museum Resetting

On January 10, several of us volunteered at the Lawshe Memorial Museum to reconfigure our artifact exhibit. Thanks to Jim Andrews, Lowell Benson, Matt Carter, Keith Myhre, Les Nelson, Greg Oxley, Bob Pagac, and Earl Vraa for a full morning of ‘move crew’ work. Another half-day on January 17 got the exhibit ready for the museum’s public reopening on January 21.



Bob, Jim, Keith and Earl ponder what to move next

See page 1 for the VIP Club’s opportunity to see the results on March 7.

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SOCIAL ITEMS

History, Alphabetical Deceased Listing

We recently received an e-mail that we had missed some people, FYI. Browse to the right column of <http://vipclubmn.org/activities.html> then scroll to the 60s Unihogs/Uniturkeys and 90s Unisys Retiree Breakfast Group. Since their inceptions, those groups have read deceased names at gatherings. When Paul Dickson assumed responsibility for the Unisys group in June 2020, he and Lowell collaborated to merge the names from Marv Brown’s list and those listed in newsletters since 2004. We had updated a couple of times. Now, Jim Andrews has compared the list with the Club’s database that that tagged some former members or spouses as deceased but weren’t submitted to the newsletters. Now we have <http://vipclubmn.org/PeopleDocImg/AlphabeticDeceasedEmployees2023.pdf>, including obits from our Jan/Feb 2023 newsletter. If you read the list and find your name, let us know; we apologize and will remove it. If you do not find a friend or relative, send a note to webmaster@vipclubmn.org including passing date, age at death, and when/where he/she worked in the Twin Cities.

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Real-Life Volunteerism . . .

. . . from Lowell’s HS classmate: A Phoenix news channel was interviewing a woman and her husband who had just moved from MN – their new home had burned at 3:00 a.m. She told the reporter that someone had given her the jacket that she had on; the rest of her clothing had been destroyed.

I contacted my Eighties’ Ladies group, we decided that we wanted to help them. That afternoon I went to the Sun City Fire Dept. leaving my name and number. After a week, a fire marshal called saying that he would pass on my info to the couple. He also told me that he’d asked the woman if there was anything that she wanted to save and that he would go back inside and try to retrieve it. I hope you are waiting for her answer:



She said, “we have 50 pounds of lutefisk in our freezer that we want saved.” Only a

MINNESOTAN Would Say That! 😊

Retirement Status and Benefits:

Numbers to call if you or your heirs have death benefit or pension questions – you will need an SSN and a PIN.

♦ UNISYS: 1-877-864-7972

♦ Lockheed Martin: 1-866-562-2363

**LMCO retirees: If you are eligible for the health care supplement through VIA Benefits, submit your expenses to receive up to \$900 each annually for you and your spouse (Total \$1,800). Eligible expenses include copayments, Medicare premiums and insurance supplement premiums. For questions call VIA Benefits at 1-844-596-0460 or go to <https://my.viabenefits.com/>.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF:

The obits hereunder are redacted from funeral home postings or Pioneer Press, Star Tribune, or applicable local listings.

The VIP Club board extends its sympathies to the families and friends of those who have lost loved ones.

We will grieve not, rather find strength in what remains behind.

~William Wordsworth~

Kenneth “Larry” Asplund — Age 88, of Delta, WI,



passed away December 5, 2022 at home surrounded by family. Larry obtained an Electrical Engineering degree from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and worked as an electrical engineer at UNIVAC/Unisys in St. Paul, MN his entire career before retiring in 1994. Ken (Larry) was an avid Green Bay Packer and Wisconsin Badger fan. He loved time spent with family and friends at the cabin on Lake Bellevue he and his wife, Jean, had since the 50’s and to where they retired. He also loved traveling on family

vacations. Larry is survived by his wife, Jean Asplund, two children, three grandchildren and other family.

LaVerle A. “Kelzenberg” Cocchiarella — Age 93, of St. Paul, MN, passed away February 14, 2023. LaVerle was a long-time VIP Club member. During her 42 years at UNIVAC/Unisys, she was secretary for many VIP Club members. LaVerle is survived by three children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



James “Jim” Kent Gannon — Age 85, of McLean, VA, passed away June 17, 2022. Jim graduated with a bachelor’s degree in mathematics and German from SDSU, served in the U.S. Army, including one tour in Vietnam and received a Bronze Star. Jim worked for UNIVAC at the German Navy’s Wilhelmshaven development center, and in Hengelo Holland and Bad Godesberg Germany. He married and had a son while in Germany; they returned to the states and Jim started working for Mitre as a computer systems engineer. He received many accolades for his work before retiring in 2012. Jim was preceded in death by his first wife, Ellen (Pottebaum) Gannon; he is survived by his wife, Renelle, and three children.



John “Rog” Roger Honkomp — Age 88 of Roseville, MN, passed away February 9, 2023. Roger spent his career at Unisys as a programmer and systems analyst, which fed his intellect and interest in technology. He also cultivated an interest in politics and government, and was a gifted storyteller. Roger had a strong Catholic faith and loved connecting with people. First and foremost was his devotion to his family. Roger was preceded in death by four children, a grandson and other family. He is survived by the love of his life, his wife of 66 years, Rosalie “Roy,” six children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.



Larry John Kriegl — Age 81, of Apple Valley, MN, passed away November 19, 2022, with family and hospice providing compassionate care in his final days. Larry was a military veteran who will have a Celebration of Life and interment at Fort Snelling later. He was employed as a software engineer at Lockheed Martin before retiring in 2017. Larry is survived by his wife, Pat, two daughters and other family and friends.

Eugene Anthony Odegard — Age 90, passed peacefully, surrounded by his family January 24, 2023. After high school, Gene enlisted in the Army, was honorably discharged and married. Upon graduation from the University of North Dakota with a BS in Business Administration and Accounting, Gene embarked on a 31-year career with Sperry UNIVAC,



where with each new promotion the family experienced a new city, and twice a new country, ending up back in Roseville, MN. Gene retired at 59 in 1991 and spent the next 31 years enjoying his time and winter travels each Arizona with his wife, Joanne, as well as golfing with his sons and precious moments with his grandchildren, who were his delight. Gene was preceded in death by his loving wife of 67 years, Joanne, and granddaughter Sydney; he is survived by two sons, five grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews and other family.

Sheryl Lee (Beskar) Paton — Age 77 of Stillwater, MN, passed away December 30, 2022. Sheryl, a beloved wife, mother and member of the VIP Club, was married to Guy, whom a coworker remembers as a UNIVAC field engineer when both were living in Norfolk, VA. Sheryl is survived by her loving husband of 49 and a half years, Guy, two children and other family and dear friends.



Arthur G. ‘Art’ Peterson — Age 84, of Eden Prairie, MN, passed away unexpectedly on January 17, 2023. Art entered the Air Force after graduation. During his military service he married Loretta Wehking and together they raised five children. When living in St. Paul, he worked for UNIVAC before settling in Eden Prairie. He later worked at Control Data and NSP/Xcel Energy, where he retired at 75. Art and Loretta have wonderful memories and made life-long friendships with neighbors on Eden Court. However, when they needed to move, they chose to stay close to employment and built a home where the grandchildren have wonderful memories of holidays together, riding their bikes, tractor rides around the neighborhood, sledding, sleepovers, piggyback rides, games and chats with their grandpa. Art was family-focused and hard-working, using his knowledge and skills from growing up on a farm, military service and as a surveyor and certified boiler mechanic coupled with his ingenuity (he was an inventor at heart) to benefit others both in his job and personal life. Art was always there for his children and grandchildren, whether for home renovations, driving lessons, yard work or general repairs. Over a 15-year span, he helped all five children deliver the Sunday morning paper and instilled a work ethic that has served them well. Art enjoyed time spent playing with his children and grandchildren. He also generated many wonderful memories and stories with his in-laws and many nieces and nephews.



William “Bill” Martin Richner — Age 96 of Shoreview, MN, passed away peacefully January 26, 2023. Bill was a WWII veteran who followed his service by a long career at Sperry UNIVAC/Unisys.



Bill loved fishing, camping, and almost anything outdoors and shared that love with his entire family. Bill is preceded in death by his wife, Shirley (Stieper) and a granddaughter; he is survived by five children, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Edward Tilford, Sr — Age 85, formerly of St. Paul/Minneapolis, MN, passed away peacefully in Santa Fe, NM, on January 2, 2023. Ed Sr had a fulfilling career in the field of software engineering, traveling the country in various roles for Sperry UNIVAC/Unisys. A coworker said: "I've long ranked Ed among the two or three most-effective software managers I'd ever met, anywhere. Ed was always on the Eagan Defense side of the house, overseeing various major implementations for the DoD, but he also was a mentor and frequent consultant to us in commercial. I'll never forget how he described his management role as holding the "broom" to sweep the distractions out of the way so the programmers could meet and exceed their objectives." Ed Sr ultimately settled his family in Eagan, MN, where Ed lived a full and meaningful life, inspiring those around him. He was known for his fondness of saying "What's the next not logical thing to do?" which encouraged others to think creatively and outside of the box. A high point in Ed Sr's later career years was serving as an Adjunct Professor and advisor for the University of St. Thomas's Master's program. Outside his professional life, Ed Sr had a passion for fly fishing and sculpting in wood and metal. He was also an avid benchrest marksman, competing in events across the country. Through these hobbies he shared his passion for the outdoors with his family, creating lifelong



friendships and memories; he will be remembered for his wisdom, humor, storytelling, and love for his family. Ed Sr (also known as "Poppy") was preceded in death by his loving wife, Barbara; he is survived by three sons, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Robert "Bob" Wright — Age 74 of Savage, MN, passed away December 18, 2022. Bob earned a degree in Mathematics at Portland State University, then for 27 years was employed with Lockheed Martin, a career that allowed him to live and work throughout North America. Bob greatly enjoyed traveling and working on new projects. From a young age Bob enjoyed the outdoors, especially fishing and deer hunting. A lifelong learner, Bob spent his free time investigating new topics and building things such as telescopes and rockets. He truly had an engineer's personality and wanted to do everything the right way; no matter the task or pastime, Bob was always attentive to details. Bob loved scenic drives everywhere with his family; he appreciated the fall colors on the drive to Grand Marais for salmon fishing, and the family ventured to Montana and along the Oregon coast. No matter the destination, Bob was happiest when he shared the experience with his family. While Bob was often quiet and serious, he had a great sense of humor. Bob was stubborn, independent, curious, intelligent, funny and so much more. Most importantly, Bob was a man of faith who deeply loved his family, friends, church and community. Bob is loved and missed by his wife, Lisa, their two children, a granddaughter, siblings and many other loving relatives.



The committee appreciates mailing of this volunteerism survey form before April 1st to give us time to provide an attendee count to Joseph's Grill, to finish the program listing, and to print name tags.

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2022 VOLUNTEERISM SURVEY FORM

Please complete this form, then mail to: VIP Club – Survey, P.O. Box 21903, Eagan, MN 55121

Your Full Name: _____ e-mail, if any _____

Primary recipient of your time: _____

Name of Spouse/Significant Other: _____

Primary recipient of his/her time (if also a volunteer): _____

How many will be attending the luncheon (0, 1, or 2) _____ Submittal Date _____

Comments (Optional) _____

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PERIODIC SOCIAL GROUPS

Monthly Breakfast Gathering

- **1st Thursday**, 8 a.m. – **Capitol View Cafe**, 637 Smith Ave., **St. Paul**

Monthly Lunch Gatherings

- **1st Tuesday**, 11:00 a.m. – **Casper's Cherokee of Eagan**, 4625 Nicols Rd. **Keith Behnke**: 651-587-2591.
- **2nd Tuesday**, 11:30 a.m. – **Mall of America** 3rd floor North Food Court between the elevator & Burger King. **Paul Wennerstrom**: 952-854-7855.
- **2nd Saturday** of odd-numbered months, 11 a.m. – Baker's Square, 1881 West Hwy 36, **Roseville**. **Urho Rahkola**: 651-429-3319. **Temporarily Suspended**

Quarterly Breakfast Gathering

- **2nd Wednesday**, 9 a.m. in Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. – Eagles Club, 563 Old Hwy 8 in **New Brighton**. **Paul Dickson**: 651-482-9934. **Temporarily Suspended**

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