

President's Message

What a month it was! October will go down in local history as epic and most of us lived through the mess with a renewed sense of awe for the power of nature. I visited the MVA office on the Friday after Milton and found all of our neighbors emptying their offices and trying to salvage what Milton left behind. Our office took on a few inches of water, but no significant damage. With a quick response from our Office Manager, Dave Hewitt, the office is back to normal with only minimal loss. Big cudos to Dave for jumping in and getting this done.

As we enter the 2024 holiday season, it's a good time to reflect on what we lost, and more importantly, what we still have. I believe we are never challenged beyond our ability. We heard many stories of close calls, lost power, lost internet, damaged homes, downed trees - but very few reports that any of our members suffered injury as a result of the storms.

We were able to hold 2025 leadership elections at the October luncheon. Please join me in welcoming the 5 recently elected MVA board members - Tom Conner (incumbent), Terry Miller (incumbent), and new board members Teri Godfrey, Betty Held and Karyn Klos. Your staff remains the same - Thom Dupper, President, Al Shields, Executive Vice President, Gloria Hill, Vice President Community Service, Wendy Hugar, Vice President Member Events, Clive Bailey, Vice President Operations, Vivian O'Dell, Recording Secretary, Deb Dupper, Party Planner, Dave Hewitt, Office Manager. Paul Krahmer continues on as our excellent photographer.

At our November 20 luncheon, we will collect infant and toddler diapers and donate them to Angels Against Abuse, one of our partner organizations. So get out to Sam's or Costco and pick up a big box of diapers.



For Our Members





Kick off the new year with a Tribute to Elvis starring Dwight Icenhower at the Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center, 2 pm, Saturday, January 11. Doors open at 1 pm at 4951 78th Ave, Pinellas Park. Only 30 tickets are available, so register early to secure your place. If sold out, you will be placed on a waiting list. https://form.jotform.com/243013650784050

Returning for his 8th straight appearance at the PPPAC, Dwight Icenhower is a five time World Champion Elvis Presley Tribute Artist. Dwight is considered to be one of the best Elvis Tribute Artists in the world today. He has mastered the 50s. 60s, and 70s eras of Elvis' career and has won

a myriad of national Elvis awards.

Dwight Icenhower is recognized not only for his great personality on and off stage, but also for his amazing voice that has sometimes even been mistaken for Elvis Presley himself. He has performed with many of the original musicians who have worked with Elvis. He has taken home over 75 first place awards in contests from all over the world; and in 2015, Dwight Icenhower became the only Elvis Tribute Artist in history to ever win four World Championships during Elvis Week in Memphis, TN.





Why not start out the new year with a fun 5-day cruise out of Port Tampa aboard the Carnival Paradise on January 20? With stops at Grand Cayman and Cozumel, this promises to be a great time of fun, fellowship, adventure and relaxation - not to mention the 24-hour feeding frenzy!

The best part - you will be able to hang out with other MVA cruisers on this beautiful ship.

The other part - this trip is coordinated by MVA, but reservations and all expenses are your responsibility. Contact Emanuele Rodriguez at 800.819.3902 Ext 82688 to reserve your place.

These cruises fill up fast, so make sure you follow the instructions on the flyer above to ensure your place aboard this Caribbean adventure. So if you are a seasoned cruiser or first timer, we look forward to seeing your smiling face on the Paradise in January. If you have any questions, please direct them to our cruise director, Wendy Hugar. You can email her at member@minnregs.com. Bon Voyage!



MVA in the Community







Your MVA is constantly active in the local community, supporting organizations that offer boots-on-the-ground services to children, families, seniors and veterans. We recently awarded a \$6,000 grant to Ready for Life, a local agency whose mission is to provide support, resources, and guidance former foster care youth need to successfully transition to adulthood. Last month, Dr. Gloria Hill visited the RFL facility with a truckload of supplies to support their pantry and homelessness support services.



Kind Mouse CEO and Founder, Gina Wilkins, MVA Treasurer George Suther and President Thom Dupper gather the green after the collection plate was passed at the October Luncheon. A total of \$707 in cash was presented to Ms. Wilkins.

We recently discovered the Kind Mouse agency here in Pinellas County. Its mission is to provide assistance to the food insecure in our community with a special focus on providing nutritious meals for the 1 in 8 Pinells County school children who are hungry or food insecure. This agency has "fed over 1 million tummies since 2012." They feed over 83 thousand people annually.

We passed the hat at the October Social and Luncheon, and our members ponied up \$707 in folding money to support this very important local community agency.

Many thanks to our generous MVA members!





It is quite a thing to see 89 former co-workers enjoying food, fun and fellowship - along with some liquid refreshment on a Wednesday afternoon. MVA members and guests continue to reconnect every month on the first Wednesday at Quaker Steak and Lube in Pinellas Park. The room is filled with conversation about old times at HI, talk of the latest medical office visit, pictures of kids and grandkids, etc. It's a great time to reconnect with other MVA members, enjoy a free meal and drinks and win a prize or two. See you the day after the next election-

November 6. Doors open at 4.



Michael & Teri Godfrey





Cathy & Bill Nabbe





Steve & Margaret Simmons





Masako & Larry Shannon





Donna & Mike Seibel













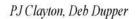
Dick & Patsy Rohrs











Clive & Carol Bailey

Katrina & Brian Pershing







Bea & Tom Conner

Jerry & Karyn Klos

Dennis & Jane Willis







Betsy & Roddy King

Al & Andrea Shields









Debbie & Glenn Verheller









Richard & Mary Reffelt

Rick Shea

Deb & Thom Dupper







Cathy Hubbard

Glenn Nikles

Gloria Whitfield







George Hafer

Karyn Klos

Jerry Dangler





















Bob Kay



Danielle Rasmussen



Al Parisi



Bonnie Williams



David Hadsock



Fran Kay



Jerry Klos



Helen Malzahn







Andrea Shields



Gene Ward



Pat Keegan



Larry Trefz



Marge Lynch



Dick Malzahn



Mike Ranallo



Patty Marchand



George Suther



Dan Trepanier



John Bowers



Dave Donnelly







Andy Rasmussen



Hendrik Gelderloos



Joe Simpson



Artie Martin



Betty Held



Larry Harper



Terry Miller



Bobby Hubbard



Lorraine Wert



Al Olsen



PJ Clayton



Jack Ptacek











Roddy King Jeff Ring Stephanie Puffer







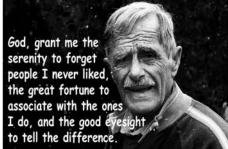
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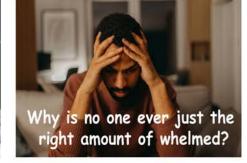














A Blast from the Past



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Centennial Flashback



"It takes a lot of energy, enthusiasm, and team spirit to plan a Centennial. This past year, several hundred Honeywellers "gave it their all" to make our celebration a memorable one for all of us and our families.

... and what a year it's been!"



A Blast from the Past



Honeywell: 100 years Of Growth And Performance.

Current Operations: (For those of you who don't already know.)

Honeywell Inc., a \$5.8 billion company that employs approximately 93,000 people worldwide, is 100 years old this year. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the company develops and applies advanced technologies in four industry segments:

Aerospace and Defense comprises Avionics Systems Group and Defense and Marine Systems Group. Aerospace and Defense designs, develops and manufactures guidance, navigation and control sensors, components and systems used on spacecraft, military and commercial aircraft, naval vessels, missiles, military vehicles and ordnance devices.

Control Products develops and fabricates products ranging from high-performance integrated circuit chips to thermostats. Applications include high-data-rate information processing, fiber-optic linking between computers and peripherals, industrial pressure sensors, electrical switching and manual control, regulator values, robotic vision systems and environmental controls for home and businesses.

Control Systems provides services and installed systems for commercial building, industrial and medical markets. It also includes Honeywell's telecommunications business. Building management, fire-alarm, security, energy management, process control and process management are some of the systems Honeywell provides its customers. The telecommunications business designs, installs and supports business telephone systems and provides private voice network systems.

Information Systems serves the data processing, office systems and manufacturing systems needs of business, government, and medical and educational institutions. Products range from DPS 6 minicompu-

ters to the DPS 88 mainframe computer.

Corporate History

Honeywell traces its roots to Minneapolis inventor Albert M. Butz, who in 1885 founded the Butz Thermo-Electric Regulator Company to manufacture automatic temperature controls. Butz left the business in 1888 because of financial difficulties and the company was renamed Consolidated Temperature Control Company. Three years later, however, William R. Sweatt invested in the business, and under his leadership the company grew into a prospering heat regulator company.

The original investors completely turned over the business to Sweatt in 1898 in return for payment of assets valued a \$5,000.

During World War I, the Minneapolis Heat Regulator Company, as it was then called, entered the defense business when it received a \$10,000 Navy contract to produce binocular parts. In 1924, the company broke the \$1 million mark.

The Minneapolis Heat Regulator Company merged in 1927 with its intense rival, Honeywell Heating Specialties, Wabash, Ind., thus strengthening the company's hold on the heat regulator market. The new company became the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, with W.R. Sweatt as chairman of the board.

In 1930 the company first ventured beyond U.S. borders by forming Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company Limited, Toronto, Canada.

During the Depression, sales fell and employment dropped from 1,150 to 647. Minneapolis-Honeywell stayed afloat, however, by manufacturing flour sifters for Pillsbury Company. By 1933, employment was up to 1,197, and sales reached \$4.5 million, up from \$3.5 million in 1932. By the end of World War II, Minneapolis-Honeywell had produced

about 5 mission optical and aeronautical devices for the military and won 16 Army-Navy "E" awards for excellence.

Honeywell entered the computer age in 1955 when the company formed Datamatic through a joint venture with Raytheon. The first product to emerge from that venture was the D-1000, an electronic office automation computer.

Honeywell technology has been on every manned space flight from Mercury to the space shuttle. In fact, the precision performance of the Honeywell hand-controls, panel displays and indicators on the Grummanbuilt lunar module helped astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin land safely on the moon in 1969. And in 1976, airborne Honeywell computers aboard Viking Landers I and II performed flawlessly during the first U.S. landing on Mars.

In 1956, a group of businessmen from Minneapolis visited the area and selected a tract of land for a large, and in fact, one of the first major industries for Pinellas County. In January 1957, construction began and by June, Honeywell's St. Peterburg location was already employing about 430 people.

Florida Operations early contracts for guidance and navigational systems for Boeing and later Fairchild and Republic gave the operation a strong and vibrant beginning.

Today the complex has 1,016,000 square feet sprawled among 11 major buildings. There are four separate Honeywell operations located here with some 4,173 people between them. Space Systems Operations, Strategic Guidance Operations, Military Avionics Florida Operations, and Chemical Defense Center handle numerous contracts for the engineering and manufacture of sophisticated electronics for military and space application.



Monthly Luncheon October 23



Oktoberfest was the theme, polka was the sound, beer was the libation and chicken schnitzel and bratwurst were the vittles. 93 members and guests filled the hall while Gunter played the accordion and Hannah Hayes talked about Heritage Village. We also passed the hat at both the October Social and Luncheon to raise cash for the Kind Mouse so they can continue to feed food insecure students in Pinellas County Schools. Overall, it was a great time. Prost!



Clive & Carol Bailey, Larry Harper, Genevieve Urbanski Emily & Ben Carter, Shirley Murphy



Loni Wellington, John Schiffgen, Jo Ketring



Michael & Teri Godfrey, P.J. Clayton, Wendy Hugar, Bea & Tom Conner



Bob Cannistraro, Clyde & Anne Schreiner



Dennis & Jane Willis



Gayle Smith, John Voissem



Wendy Hugar, Tom & Bea Conner



Mary Reffelt, Betty Held



Mary & Richard Reffelt



Mary Reffelt, Carol Janney, Deb Dupper



Bonnie Williams



Gloria Hill



Monthly Luncheon October 23





Wendy Hugar, Al Shields, Bea Conner



Al & Gail Olsen



Shirley & John Bowers



Artie Martin



Sandy & Sam Janofsky



Patty Jo Clayton



Deb & Thom Dupper



Gloria Hill, Carol Janney



Jackson Freeman



Barbara Pothier, Jacqueline Morgan



Fred Miller



Michael & Teri Godfrey



Monthly Luncheon October 23









Bryan Martinez

Masako & Larry Shannon

Carol Janney







Frank & Lynn Neri



Wendy Hugar





Got Diapers?

Our friends at Angels Against Abuse are running very short on infant and toddler diapers - especially during the holiday season. The next time you find yourself wandering down the diaper isle at Sam's or Costco, grab a big box and bring it with you to our November 20 luncheon. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, we can be a blessing to baby bottoms all across the Tampa Bay area!



Happy Birthday from MVA!



11-01	Maxine Hildum	11-15	William Rodriques De Miranda	11-26	James Dunn
11-01	Jo Wolfe	11-16	Linda Susens	11-26	David (Dave) Jones
11-02	Doug Bradley	11-17	Esther Dabruzzi	11-26	Doris Kursay
11-02	Marian Harding	11-17	Bruce DeFelix	11-26	Elsie McConnell
11-02	Jesse Hiatt	11-17	Laurel Kish	11-26	Terry Miller
11-02	Mary Samsel	11-17	Helen Olson	11-26	Richard Osborn
11-03	Ernie Broderick	11-18	Anne Burson	11-26	Cathy Talbot
11-03	Robert Cooper	11-18	Elizabeth Morgan	11-26	Barbara Tibault
11-03	Robin Lewis	11-18	Dawn (Katie) Perry	11-27	Elaine Davis
11-04	Melinda Anderson	11-18	Michael (Mike) Petryszak	11-27	Robert Guay
11-04	Janice McCreary	11-18	William Tiller	11-27	Richard (Dick) Hoffman
11-04	Amy Panabaker	11-19	Cindy Buchanan	11-27	David Hogue
11-05	Steve Bertrand	11-19	Clement Johnson	11-27	S. McReynolds
11-05	Eleanor (Lynn) Jacobson	11-19	Van Mills	11-27	Anne Powers
11-06	Carol Cantlay	11-19	Michael Ranallo	11-27	Sara Richardson
11-06	William Edwins	11-20	David Brooks	11-27	Rick (Rick) Stanley
11-06	Linda Fair	11-20	Frances Druyor	11-28	Corinne Arnold
11-07	Frank Blitzer	11-20	Claire Fennessy	11-28	Carol Beazley
11-07	Janet Payne	11-20	George Gessler	11-28	Patricia Cleary
11-07	Carol Snipes	11-20	Penny Janowski	11-28	Patricia Dunn
11-07	Jean Widmeier	11-20	John Kelley	11-28	Elijah Gilbert
11-08	Evelyn (Kit) Konak	11-21	Frederick (Fred) Miller	11-28	Agnes Matthews
11-08	Larry Lofing	11-21	Thelma Robinson	11-28	Reinhold Matulenko
11-08	Phyllis Weidner	11-21	Patricia Sallet	11-28	Frances Morden
11-09	Robert Chellberg	11-21	Lee Williams	11-28	Richard Reffelt
11-10	Lester Boss	11-21	Cecil (Lee) Willis	11-29	Ralph Burson
11-11	Donna Cutting	11-22	Dorothy Ade	11-29	Wayne Huneke
11-11	Jeanette Fossett	11-22	Catherine Jensen	11-29	Robert Mossberg
11-11	Gary Longfellow	11-22	Erin Kruck	11-29	Jerome Roth
11-11	Richard Matthews	11-22	Joan Kunz	11-29	Pamela Shively
11-11	Bernard Reilly	11-22	Naomi Schultz	11-30	Amelia Bradley
11-11	Adrienne (Dede) Van Hooser	11-23	Walter Crosmer	11-30	Kristi Brendla
11-12	Lawrence Daly	11-23	Paula Gray	11-30	Cindy Briest
11-12	Jeanette Pozniak	11-23	Helen Prince	11-30	Frank Crump
11-12	James (Jim) Sparks	11-23	Jane Roller	11-30	Mark Loggins
11-13	Robyn Cox	11-23	James Wisler	11-30	Donald Mclendon
11-13	Gary Dahlvik	11-24	Juanita Boothroyd	11-30	Albert Sigman
11-13	David Dibble	11-24	William Dougherty		, azort olginan
11-13	Marilynn Myers	11-24	Frank Kurhayez		
11-13	Judith Trump	11-24	Neil Lafavor		
11-14	Clara Hess	11-24	Gerhard Mueller		
11-14	Mary Palmer	11-24	Debora (Deb) Perry		
11-14	David Rozell	11-24	Alberta Rozell		
11-14	Frederick Van Swearingen	11-24	Ansel Shircliffe		
11-15	Marilyn Bull	11-24	Ann Thompson		
11-15	Martha DiPanfilo	11-24	Barbara Willms		
11-15	Doris Ledford	11-25	Donna Williams		
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