



President's Message

It's hard to believe that we have already used up one quarter of 2025! It seems that the older we get, the faster time flies by. The signs of spring are all around us this time of year. That includes the yellow pollen that covers everything and those hangy-down things that freak me out. I guess it's nature's way of getting ready for another year filled with the semi-tropical abundance we enjoy.

Our membership continues to grow as we just inched above 160 paid members. Welcome to all new members. I hope you are taking advantage of all the member events we sponsor throughout the year. As a legal matter, IRS regulations require that all our active members were, at one time, employed by Honeywell. Our current by-laws extend membership to family members of Honeywell employees and retirees. To stay compliant with IRS regulations, we have created another membership category - associate members. All current MVA members who DID NOT work at HI will be re-classified as associates. Associate members will continue to enjoy ALL membership benefits - except voting. Only active members will take part in by-laws approvals and board elections. We are currently rewriting our by-laws to reflect that change. From your perspective, nothing will change except associates will not take part in future voting.

We are also changing the titles of our current staff from Vice-President to Manager. The term Vice-President is normally reserved for Corporate Officers, not members of the Corporate staff. This is not a demotion by any means. Our Vice-Presidents (Al Shields, Gloria Hill, Wendy Hugar and Clive Bailey) are doing fantastic work and deserve all our appreciation for their efforts.

At the April 16 luncheon, we will hear from a survivor of human trafficking. Our May luncheon will feature a re-cap of MVA efforts in the community, the June luncheon will be a celebration of the '60s, and in July, we will hear from Josh linker, chief meteorologist at Bay News 9, concerning the upcoming hurricane season.

Our MVA picnic is set for Friday, April 25 at Walsingham Park Shelter 4 at 11 am. These are always a great time. As always, all registration forms are located on the www.minnregs.com website.



For Our Members



A couple of calendar changes for members. We have decided to take the month of August off this year. **So no social or luncheon in August.** The only member event in August will be the casino party at Banquet Masters on August 20. The party starts at 2:00 pm and runs for three hours. Light refreshments will be served. All participants receive the same number of chips to use at the poker, craps and blackjack tables - along with slot machines. The attendees who build the 3 largest stacks will receive prizes and bragging rights for the rest of the year.



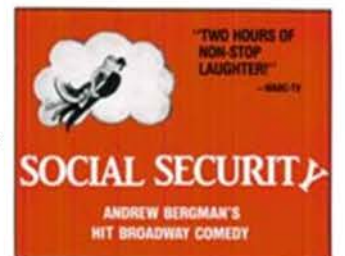
The 3rd annual MVA picnic is set for Friday, April 25 at Walsingham Park (pavillion #4) 11:00 am. Picnic food and drinks are provided. MVA Members are asked to bring their favorite covered dish to share. Lots of fun, games and fellowship. And probably a bunch of flies! Make sure you register at: <https://form.jotform.com/241067647495163>.



For our dinner theater crowd, we have reserved the Thursday, May 15, 11 am. performance of the hilarious Broadway play, "Social Security." Buffet is included. MVA members are free, guests will be charged \$55 each. Seats are limited so make sure you register early at: <https://www.jotform.com/build/250057741305147>



Trendy art gallery owners Barbara and David have it all, until their lives are upended when Barbara's sister Trudy deposits their eccentric elderly mother on the couple's doorstep. Barbara and David introduce mom to their client, a suave and famous artist, who offers to paint her portrait and soon begins to brighten her life in ways she never expected in her twilight years. What could go wrong?





First Wednesday Social March 5, 2025



We had our own version of March madness at the March 5 social at Quaker Steak & Lube in Pinellas Park. These events are great opportunities to kick back, relax, catch up with friends, enjoy a good meal and liquid refreshment.





First Wednesday Social March 5, 2025



Jim & Donna Hansen



Al & Gail Olsen



Dick & Patsy Rohrs



Larry & Jane Willis



Steve & Margaret Simmons



Bill & Cathy Naabe



Julie & Greg Zeidel



Mary & Richard Reffelt



Stephanie Puffer, Jack Ptacek



Katrina & Brian Pershing



Ron & Shron Mason



Gayle Smith, John Voissem



First Wednesday Social March 5, 2025



Robin Lewis, Harry Blackiston



Bea & Tom Conner



*Bill & Cathy Naabe, Betty & Roddy King,
Katrina & Brian Pershing*



Jim McCormick



Scott Lapham, Karen & Jerry Klos



Karen & Jerry Klos Julie & Greg Zeidel



Wanda Beasley



Harry Blackiston



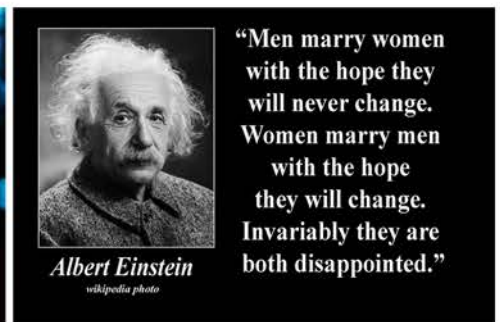
Vivian O'Dell



Al Shields



Leslie Tuck





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Bill Martin



Sharon Corrozza



Larry Harper



Shirley Murphy, Shirley Bowers



Jim Acosta



Gloria Whitfield



Artie Martin



Bonnie Williams



Bob Lovejoy



Pat Keegan



Jack Freeman, Al Shields



Larry Trefz



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Al Parisi



Carol Janney



Dave Donnelly



Jerry Klos



Wendy Hugar



Rick Shea



Teri Godfrey



Jerry Dangler



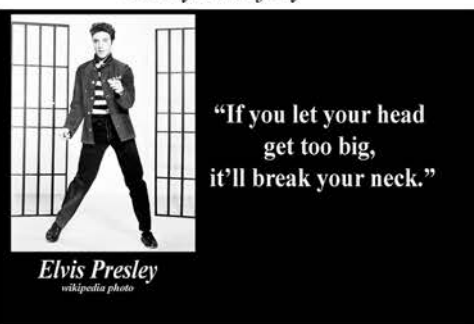
Sandy Janofsky



Jeff Ring



Patty Marchand





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Karen Klos



Rick Shea



Sherry Rasmussen



George Suther



Cheryl Bartel



Fred Miller



Jo Ketring



Sam Janofsky



Loni Wellington



George Hafer



Faith Kraemer



Dave Cox



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Darrell Schreiber



PJ Clayton



Dan Trepanier



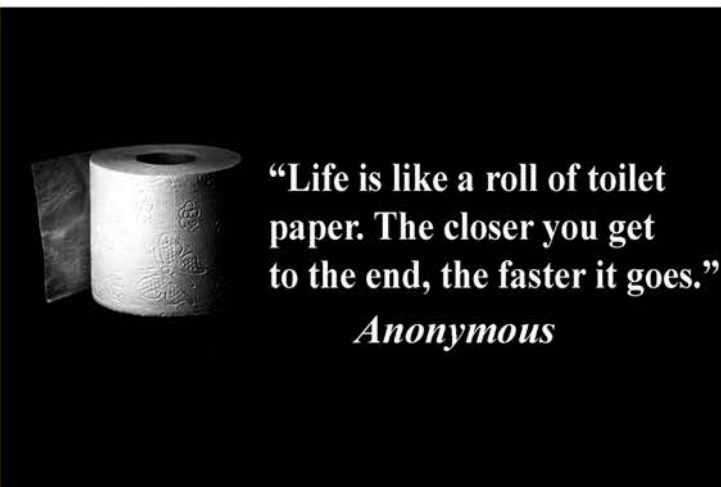
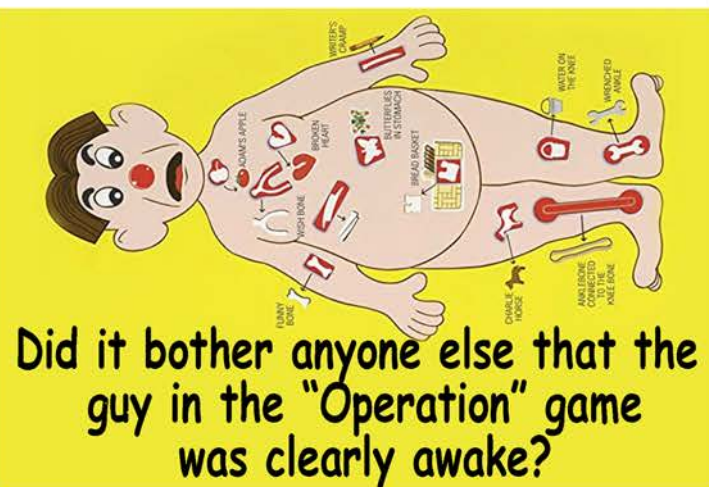
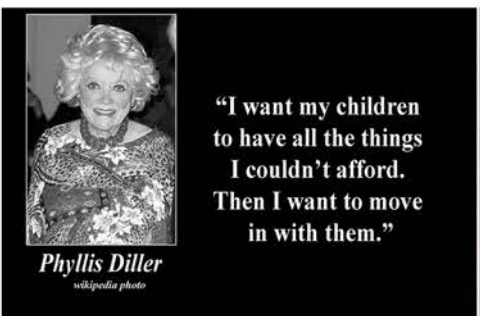
John Bowers



Greg Nikles



At your service!



Did it bother anyone else that the guy in the "Operation" game was clearly awake?

"Life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer you get to the end, the faster it goes."
Anonymous



A Blast from the Past



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Charlie's Angels Come to Honeywell's Plastic Laboratory Department



The lucky and happy man seated in the center of the picture is Charlie del Pizzo. "Charlie" is welcoming the new members to the Plastic Section of MPE and they are Serena (Sabrina) Mackie, Jacqueline (Kelsey) Morgan and Sunny (Kris) Brown. The group is now referred to as "Charlie and

his Angels." The other gentleman pictured is Charlie (Bozley) Gray who is also part of this dynamic team. Any laboratory work in plastics will be handled by this group. Now that "Charlie's" identity has been made, his only comment to the new members is... "Good Luck Angels."

From Avinews circa 1978 Can you identify Jacqueline Morgan in the photo?.



Brigitte Bardot
wikipedia photo

**"It's sad to grow old,
but nice to ripen."**



Oprah Winfrey
wikipedia photo

**"The biggest adventure
you can take is to
live the life
of your dreams."**



Monthly Luncheon March 19



We learned that *Erin Go Bragh* means Ireland Forever. The 95 members and guests enjoyed an Irish luncheon of Corned Beef and Cabbage and heard about support for caregivers from Linda Burhans. Lots of wearin' of the green and a few bad jokes made for an enjoyable afternoon - well maybe not the jokes!





Monthly Luncheon March 19



John Samson, Karen Klos, Wanda Beasley

David Hadsock, Brian Pershing, Roddy King



*Lorraine Wert, Karyn Klos,
Pat Keegan, Bonnie Williams*

*John Schiffgen, Loni Wellington,
Jo Ketring, Steve Jones*

*Clive Bailey, Genevieve Urbanski, Larry Harper
Shirley Murphy, Howard Howe, Carol Bailey*



*Barbara Harvey, Teri Godfrey, PJ Clayton,
Wendy Hugar, Bea Conner*

*Lorraine Wert, Betsy King, Pat Keegan,
Bonnie Williams, Marge Lynch, Katrina Pershing*

Bonnie Williams, Katrina Pershing



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Gloria Whitfield, Al Parisi



Helen & Richard Malzahn



Sandy Janofsky, Faith Krahrmer



Bea & Tom Conner



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Dennis & Jane Willis



Clive & Carol Bailey



Tom & Bea Conner



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Loni Wellington



Hendrik Gelderloos



John Samson



Jack Ptacek



Mark Barlow



Kathie Hubbard



Marge Lynch



Jeff Ring



John Lennon
wikipedia photo

**“Life is what happens
when you’re busy
making other plans.”**



C.S. Lewis
wikipedia photo

**“Life is not measured
by the number of breaths
we take, but by the moments
that take our breath away.”**



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Cheryl McAvoy



Artie Martin



Vivian O'Dell



Dave Donnelly



Mary Reffelt



Fred Miller



Gloria Hill



Artie Martin



Guest Speaker: Linda Burhans



Steve Jones



Larry Trefz



Fred Miller



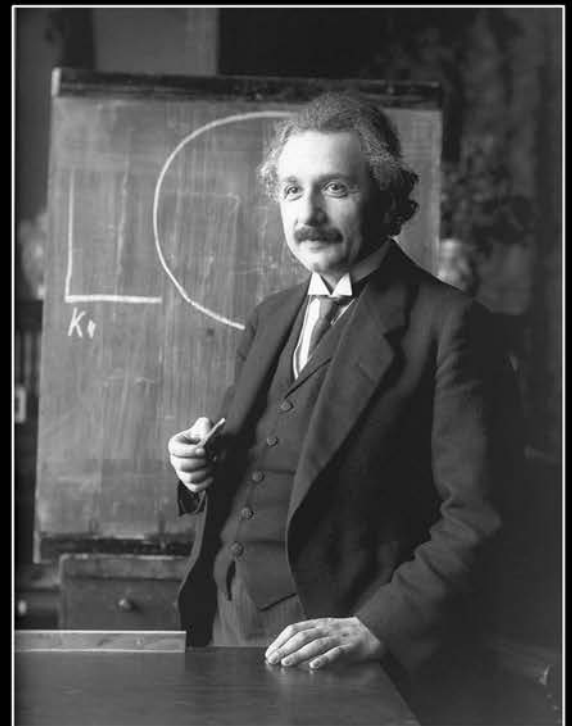
Happy April Birthday from MVA!



- 04-03 Brian Pershing
- 04-05 Robert (Bob) Cannistraro
- 04-10 Ronald (Ron) Troanovitch
- 04-17 Lawrence (Larry) Piper
- 04-19 Robert (Bobby) Hubbard
- 04-23 Steve Simmons
- 04-23 James Smith
- 04-26 Karyn Klos
- 04-29 Cathy Naabe
- 04-29 Marilyn Ruga
- 04-30 Betty Held



**“Do not grow old,
no matter how long
you live. Never cease to
stand like curious children
before the great mystery
into which we were born.”**



Albert Einstein