



### President's Message

I have almost given up watching the news. This country has become so polarized it's almost impossible to get an unbiased report on just about anything. With a presidential election on the near horizon, it is nice to know that our Pinellas County election process has become the model for the entire state of Florida. I think we can all agree that the upcoming election may be one of the most important of our lives. There are two amendments on the November ballot that may have far-reaching consequences for all Floridians - abortion and recreational marijuana. True to polarized form, these amendments have become flashpoints for and against - to the extent that it's difficult to understand what each amendment really means. To help, we have invited a law professor from Stetson College of Law to speak at our July luncheon concerning these two very important amendments. Important - don't miss stuff for sure.

It's time for all MVA members to support the community by bringing shelf-stable milk and cereal to the July luncheon. These items are the most requested by local food banks and will help feed hungry children and families in the Tampa Bay area.

The June cruise to nowhere was so successful, we are considering an MVA member cruise - probably after the first of the year. No details yet. At this point we want to hear from MVA members who would be interested in cruising if the details can be worked out. Depending on the level of interest, we will put together cruise details. It's important to know that the organization will not cover any cruise expenses. Those will be the responsibility of each cruising member. If you are interested in such a cruise, please email ([member@minnregs.com](mailto:member@minnregs.com)) with your name and phone number.

We've been happy to welcome several new members over the past few months. These new folks were invited by MVA members and decided to join our merry band. If you know of some Honeywellers who still live in the area and might enjoy our fellowship, please invite them to an event. It's always great to welcome fresh faces. And for the new, fresh faces, we are always looking for new ideas and volunteers to move the MVA forward. Please talk to me or anyone on staff if you want to get involved.

# For Our Members



Our **July luncheon** (July 17) will be a patriotic celebration of our nation's independence. All are encouraged to show their national pride by proudly sporting the red, white and blue.



We will be collecting shelf-stable milk and cereal at the luncheon. This is a great opportunity for members to get personally involved in helping eradicate hunger in our Tampa Bay community. Any brand, any size is fine. So go shopping!



**Got an itch to cruise?** We want to know if you would be interested in an MVA group cruise sometime in the near future. At this point we just need to know if you might be interested if we can work out the details. No date, port or itinerary has been set. If you have not had an opportunity to sign the interest form, you can send an email to [member@minnregs.com](mailto:member@minnregs.com) stating your interest.

**Please note that all expenses associated with the cruise are the responsibility of the cruising member and not the MVA organization.**



# First Wednesday Social June 5, 2024



Come and enjoy an evening of food, fun and fellowship with fellow MVA members. Enjoy some liquid refreshment while Al and Bea give away a host of door prizes and make a few attendees very happy with their share of the 50/50 drawing. As always, Al is a great host and the folks at Quaker Steak and Lube do their best to make all of us feel right at home. See you on July 3!





# First Wednesday Social June 5, 2024



*Carol & Clive Bailey*



*Teri & Michael Godfrey*



*Mary & Richard Reffelt*



*Bea & Tom Comer*



*Jane & Dennis Willis*



*Katrina & Brian Pershing*



*Bill & Cathy Nabbe*



*Jack Ptacek, Stephanie Puffer*



*Helen & Richard Malzahn*



*Larry & Masako Shannon*



*Sam & Sandy Janofsky*



*Donna & Mike Seibel*



# First Wednesday Social June 5, 2024



*Ron & Jody Mason*



*Gail & Al Olsen*



*Dick & Patsy Rohrs*



*Sharry and Andy Rasmussen*



*Sharon Corrozza, Leslie Tuck*



*Marilyn Ruga, Marge Lynch*



*Rick Shea, Artie Martin*



*Gayle Smith, John Voissem*



*Bob Dalton*



*Larry Klos*



*Bob Kay*





# First Wednesday Social June 5, 2024



*Glenn Nickles*



*Gloria Whitfield*



*Hendrik Gelderloos*



*Jack Freeman*



*David Haddock*



*Gerry Shurm*



*Al Parisi*



*Genevieve Urbanski*



*Mike Renaldo*



*Kay McCormick*



*Teresa Mickiewicz*



*Karyn Klos*



# First Wednesday Social June 5, 2024



*John Bowers*



*Fran Kay*



*Jim McCormick*



*PJ Clayton*



*Larry Harper*



*Nancy Dalton*



*Jeff Ring*



*Loni Wellington*



*Deb Dupper*



*Wendy Hugar*



*Jim Acosta*



Congrats to anyone who made it through the day without a nap.

Pulling an all-dayer is tough!

# Changes to MVA Website

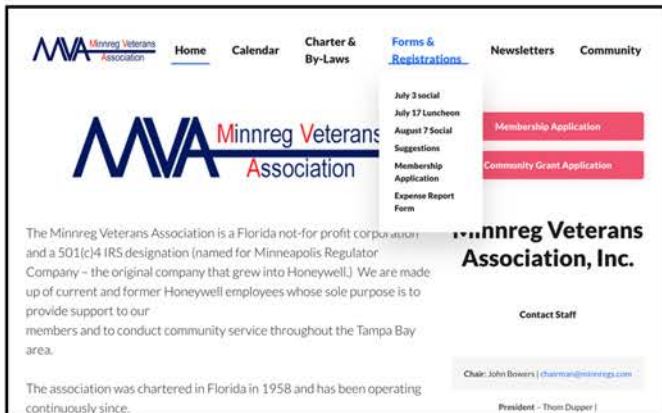


We have made some changes to the MVA website (www.minnregs.com.)

We have reduced the number of red buttons on the home page.

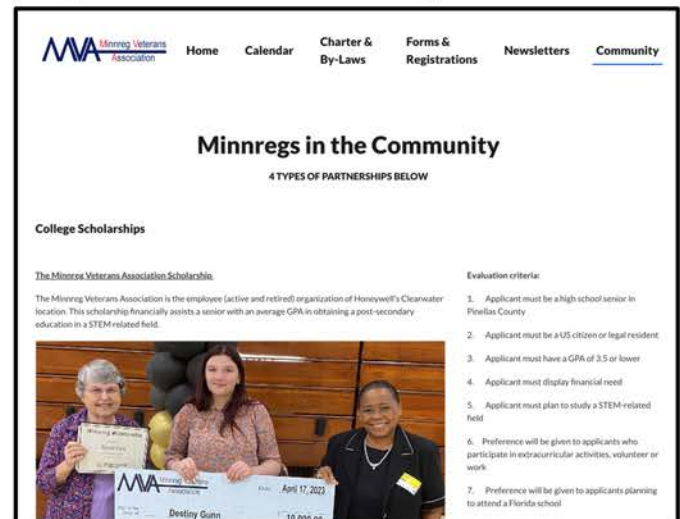
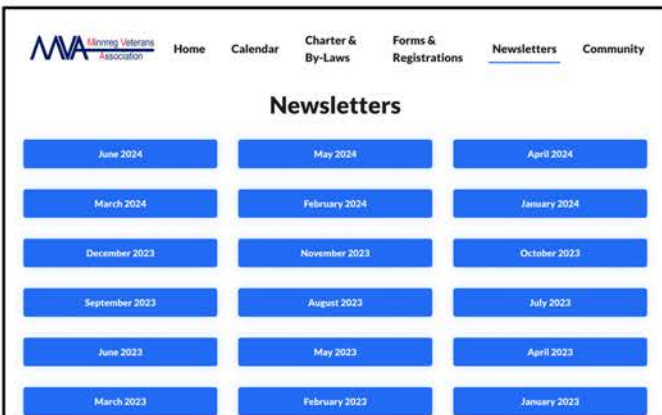
These two buttons are intended for non-members to help with acquiring new members and for community agencies to request support for their organization.

We have moved all **reservation form links** to sub-menu items below the “Forms and Registrations” tab in the main menu. This action reduces the amount of web support required each month, while gathering all registration forms into one place on the site.



As always, if you have issues with the site or the forms, you can send in your reservation for socials or luncheons to secretary@minnregs.com.

We hope you also take advantage of the other information constantly available on the site, including the current by-laws, MVA Charter, the event calendar, newsletters dating back two years, and a section on our community involvement.





# MVA Procedures

## Community Grant Application Process

Every year, the MVA supports the Tampa Bay community by **donating over \$40,000 to community organizations and agencies** that are serving children and families, homeless and veterans. We become aware of such organizations through word-of-mouth or, frequently, from MVA members. If you have personal knowledge of an agency or organization that deserves our monetary support, please direct them to the [www.minnregs.com](http://www.minnregs.com) website so they can click on the “Community Grant Application” button on the home page. **This is the only way into the grant process.** MVA members should not make any comments promising favorable results or any special consideration in the evaluation process.

Once the application is received, our review process begins.

The review committee has access to regional and national charity ranking services, and each claim made in the application is researched using these tools. Once the vetting process is complete, the committee will pass along its recommendation to the Vice President of Community Service for action.

**The MVA has established the following preferences for community grant applicants:**

- \* **Not supported by United Way or other umbrella agencies**
- \* **Providing boots-on-the-ground support to children and families, homeless and veterans**
- \* **Small administrative fee and general overhead**
- \* **Need for funding**
- \* **Serving Tampa Bay area exclusively**

## MVA Scholarship Grant Process

Each year the MVA grants a **\$10,000 scholarship** to one Pinellas County high school senior. We do this in close cooperation with the Pinellas Education Foundation (PEF). The PEF oversees scholarship applications from among over 6,000 students each year. We work closely with the PEF to ensure we receive only those students who meet the criteria we established for the MVA scholarship award.

If an MVA member knows of a deserving student who meets the following criteria, they should encourage that student to seek out the information about the Minnreg scholarship and apply through the PEF system.

### **Evaluation criteria:**

1. **Applicant must be a high school senior in Pinellas County**
2. **Applicant must be a US citizen or legal resident**
3. **Applicant must have a GPA of 3.5 or lower**
4. **Applicant must display financial need**
5. **Applicant must plan to study a STEM-related field**
6. **Preference will be given to applicants who participate in extracurricular activities, volunteer or work**
7. **Preference will be given to applicants planning to attend a Florida school**
8. **Preference will be given to applicants who are related to a current or former Honeywell employee**

The award is spread over 4 years at \$2,500 per year for a total grant of \$10,000. The selected student must remain in school with at least a B average to continue receiving funds.

# A Blast from the Past

In this age of runaway inflation, it's nice to reflect on how inflation affected our lunch prices back in 1986.

## FOOD SERVICE PRICE CHANGES

On June 30 food service and vending prices will be increased to offset increased costs experienced over the past years.

"It has been over 3 years since the last change in cafeteria and general vending prices" stated Merlin Keese, Supervisor of Human Resources Services.

During this period food and labor costs have increased at an annual rate of 4 to 5% while prices to Honeywell employees have remained stable. The modest price changes will allow food services to break even after a year of substantial losses.

Some representative price changes are listed below.

	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>
Entrees	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.15
All Vegetables	.45	.50
Soups and Chowder		
Bowl Cream	.60	.70
Bowl Chili	.75	.80
Omelets		
Cheese	.70	.80
Ham	.75	.90
Bacon		
2 slices	.45	.55
3 slices	.55	.80
Sausage	.35	.40
Sausage & Biscuits	.50	.70
French Fries	.45	.50
Dailey Lunch Special	1.90	2.10
Vending		
Cold & Hot Beverages	No Change	
Candy & Crackers	.40	.45 & .50
Gum & Mints	.30	.35
Cigarettes	1.25	1.50

Other price changes are in similar proportion to present prices. Changes will be posted on cafeteria menu boards and vending machines.

# A Blast from the Past

It was 1985 and we could not hire engineers fast enough to support HI business. The idea was simple enough. The best source for hiring new engineers is existing HI employees - especially engineers. So we purchased a new, red Corvette and held a 90 day campaign to identify engineers to fill openings. For every successful nomination, the HI employee was given a \$1,000 check and they became eligible to win the car. The results are shown below.

## Vette Get Highlights

Number 1...2...3... then number 9 sat in the Vette and turned the key. The engine ignited. Clarence Chumney whooped it up behind the steering wheel of his new 1985 Vette. Over 300 people watched under Florida's hot sunshine. Several more watched the event in the cafeterias on closed-circuit TV in Honeywell-Clearwater's first live remote broadcast. The Grand Vette Get was over, having brought to Honeywell 29 new engineers. Thanks goes to the several people who made this recruiting program a roaring success.



Winner Clarence Chumney





# MVA Leadership



This is the time of year when we must plan for leadership in the coming year.

Active (paid) MVA members may nominate themselves or any other active member for any of the positions.

**All nominations must be submitted by October 11, 2024.** We will announce the procedure for nominations in the August newsletter.

The Recording Secretary will reach out to each nominee to determine their willingness to serve in the position they have been nominated to fill.

Once a verified slate of nominees is determined, the Recording Secretary will prepare an election ballot. This ballot will be distributed to active members attending the October 18 luncheon.

The new MVA leadership will be announced during that meeting.

To assist you in your nomination process, we have published a list of leadership positions along with a position description for each office.

**Position:** Director

**Term of Office:** 2 years

**Description:** The Board of Directors is the governing body of the organization, overseeing vision, mission, and internal operations. Board members hold overall fiscal and managerial oversight responsibility. They are charged with the supervision and oversight of the organization's mission and goals. The Board shall appoint standing or ad hoc committees to perform specific tasks, internal operations, or functions. Ultimately, all Board members serve as ambassadors for the organization's mission, inside and outside the organization.

The terms of Tom Conner, Terry Miller, Bryan Martinez and Gerry Shurm conclude at the end of 2024. Consequently, we will hold elections to fill the four Board seats that will be vacated.

**Position:** President

**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** The President will be the chief executive officer of the Corporation, will have general and active management of the business and affairs of the Corporation, subject to the directions of the Board of Directors, and, in the absence of a Chair of the Board of Directors, will preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors.

**Incumbent:** Thom Dupper



# MVA Leadership



**Position:** Executive Vice President  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** In the event of the absence or disability of the President, the Executive Vice President or Vice Presidents will succeed to the President's power and duties in the order designated by the Board of Directors.

**Incumbent:** Al Shields

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**Position:** Vice President of Member Activities  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** Plans and executes all member focused events and activities on behalf of the organization. Determines the calendar of all member activities.

**Incumbent:** Wendy Hugar

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**Position:** Vice President of Community Service  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** Plans and executes all community focused activities on behalf of the organization. Determines the calendar of related events. Coordinates and partners with community organizations to provide charitable grants and scholarships as approved by the Board of Directors.

**Incumbent:** Dr. Gloria Hill

**Position:** Recording Secretary  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** The Secretary will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and Officers, record all proceedings of such meetings in the minutes book of the Corporation, and authenticate records of the Corporation. The Secretary will perform such other duties as may, from time to time, be prescribed by the board of Directors or the President.

**Incumbent:** Vivian O'Dell

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**Position:** Office Manager  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:** • The Office Manager serves as the point person for all office-related issues including repairs and maintenance, liaisons with the office landlord, supervises all office-related vendors, maintains a supply of refreshments in support of office activities, maintains the online calendar of office events on minnregs.com website, attends all staff meetings, manages the Office budget

**Incumbent:** Dave Hewitt

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**Position:** Vice President of Operations  
**Term of Office:** 1 year

**Description:**  
The VP Ops creates and maintains an inventory of all MVA assets, digital and real; creates and maintains an inventory of all MVA passwords (email, computers, etc.); tracks all MVA subscriptions for payment; and checks and distributes inbound MVA snail mail.

**Incumbent:** Clive Bailey



# Monthly Luncheon June 19



97 MVA members and guests filled the Banquet Masters hall to take a short cruise to nowhere - and to hear from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections, Julie Marcus. Ms. Marcus provided some very valuable information about the upcoming election process and changes in the election laws affecting mail-in ballots.

Check [www.voteinellas.gov](http://www.voteinellas.gov) for details.

**Julie Marcus**  
PINELLAS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION	MAIL BALLOTS	ELECTION INFORMATION	CANDIDATES & COMMITTEES	BECOME AN ELECTION WORKER	ELECTION RESULTS	LINKS
Actual Registered Voters: 472,474	Democrat: 202,763	Republican: 239,390	Other: 142,667	Total: 627,908		

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**August 20 Primary Election**

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Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections, Julie Marcus





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*John Delich, Ron & Jody Mason,  
Howard Howe, Carol & Clive Bailey*



*PJ Clayton, Randy Clayton, Bea & Tom Comer,  
Wendy Hugar*



*Larry Harper, Genevieve Urbanski,  
Emilie & Ben Carter*



*Al & Gail Olsen*



*Brian & Katrina Pershing, Betsy & Roddy King*



*Betty Held, Al Parisi, Mary Reffelt*



*Margaret & Steve Simmons*



*Deb Dupper, Shirley Bowers, Mary Reffelt*



*Jane & Dennis Willis*



# Monthly Luncheon June 19



*Betty Held*



*Bonnie Williams, Pat Keegan*



*Richard & Mary Reffelt*



*Deb & Thom Dupper*



*Gayle Smith, John Voissem*



*Dave Donnelly*



*Genevieve Urbanski, Larry Harper*



*Al Parisi*



*Ben & Emilie Carter*





# Monthly Luncheon June 19



*Sue & Roger Ertsgaard*



*Larry & Masako Shannon*



*John & Shirley Bowers*



*Betty Held, Mary Reffelt*



*Bryan Martinez*



*PJ Clayton & Randy Clayton*



*Bea & Tom Conner*



Let your kids believe in Santa Claus.. you believe in essential oils and no one is ruining that for you!



*??, Jacqueline Morgan*



Nothing is definitely lost  
Until your mom can't find it



# Happy Birthday from MVA!



07-01 Joyce Broadwell  
07-01 Anthony (Tone) McDonald  
07-02 Bob Broadwell  
07-02 Joanne Donaldson  
07-02 John Fox  
07-02 Betty Rolfe  
07-02 Margaret Sentowski  
07-02 Margaret (Bonnie) Swauger  
07-02 Iris Toelken  
07-03 Thomas Kiernan  
07-03 Susan McCormick  
07-03 Joyce Pearson  
07-04 Laura Adams  
07-04 Clarence Chumney  
07-04 Jon Comeau  
07-04 Florence Lancor  
07-04 Marie-Gay Lodge  
07-04 Ronald Mason  
07-04 Richard Mitchell  
07-04 Norman Roffey  
07-04 Kathleen (Kathy) Samson  
07-04 Virginia (Ginny) Stewart  
07-04 Marleen Witte  
07-05 Marjorie Arnold  
07-05 Helen Hyland  
07-05 Mary Mattingly  
07-05 Wilford Poe  
07-05 Margaret Tripodi  
07-05 Sonya Urban  
07-05 Shuh Ying  
07-06 Linda Cox  
07-06 David (Dave) Donnelly  
07-06 Phyllis Hutcherson  
07-06 Roger Johnson  
07-06 Guyla Ross  
07-06 Charlene Russell  
07-06 Linda Sigman  
07-06 Genevieve Urbanski  
07-06 Caroline Vrooman  
07-06 Raymond (Dave) Watson  
07-06 Alfreda Young  
07-07 Delores Clark  
07-07 Doris Markley  
07-07 Rudolph Oswald  
07-07 Nancy Wieland  
07-08 Gloria Brown  
07-08 Shirley Jeup  
07-08 Richard Johnson  
07-08 Mary (Jean) Rashleigh  
07-08 Virginia Reed  
07-08 Shelagh Schock  
07-09 Wanda Beasley  
07-09 John O'Hare  
07-09 Keevan Tatlock  
07-09 Robert Warth  
07-09 Margaret Wisler  
07-09 Walter Zawada  
7-10 Edward Daniel  
7-10 C. Johnson  
7-10 William Mahoney  
7-10 Patricia Pilver  
7-11 Steve Buchanan  
7-11 Kathy Campolettano  
7-11 Harold Curry  
7-11 Bernard Mohs  
7-11 William (Bill) Phillips  
7-12 Marilyn Daly  
7-12 Phillip Haywood  
7-12 Mary Nelson  
7-12 Danielle Rasmussen  
7-12 Patsy Rohrs  
7-12 Kay Shaw  
7-12 Andrea Shields  
7-13 Sheila Cotner  
7-13 Darwyn Fortney  
7-13 Mel (Mr. Mel) Macon  
7-13 Edna Mill  
7-13 Gayle Mohs  
7-14 William Borgelt  
7-14 Lee Dreger  
7-14 Julia Noah  
7-14 Charlotte Page  
7-14 James Smoot  
7-14 Patricia Vlha  
7-15 Joan Breslo  
7-15 Gloria Gerlach  
7-15 Rex Moore  
7-15 Fredrick Siwinski  
7-15 Alice Troy  
7-16 Arija Breikss  
7-16 Shawn Cotton  
7-16 Opal Gjermundson  
7-16 Charles Nichols  
7-16 William Schwitzgebel  
7-16 Barbara Whalen  
7-17 Walter (Walt) Faulkner  
7-17 Betty Hanusek  
7-17 Adele Schwier  
7-17 Donna Siebel  
7-18 Delphine Barnhill  
7-18 Catherine Blick  
7-18 Patricia Debolt  
7-18 Dorothy Keteltas  
7-18 Betty Sittloh  
7-18 Winona (Jeannine) Turner  
7-19 Terri Beamer  
7-19 Shirley Bowers  
7-19 Stephen (Steve) Cole  
7-19 Edwina Curtis  
7-19 Lenora Gilmore  
7-20 Lewis (Lou) Alexander  
7-20 Carl Baum  
7-20 Thomas Briest  
7-20 Lorraine (Lorrie) Lundeen  
7-20 Anne Stewart  
7-20 Diane Wyatt  
7-20 Sue Wysocki  
7-21 Emilie Carter  
7-21 Rose Ebeltoft  
7-21 Donald Grinenko  
7-21 Charlotte Schoneman  
7-22 Norman Allen  
7-22 Terry Gillenwater  
7-22 Alice Lincoln  
7-22 Ronald (Ron) Simon  
7-22 Leroy (Lee) Swauger  
7-23 Elaine Hanna  
7-23 Shirley Kanyuck  
7-23 Diane Martin  
7-23 Keith Shively  
7-23 Nancy Starry  
7-23 Robert (Bob) Teets  
7-24 Nancy Griffin  
7-24 Herbert (Herb) Howell  
7-24 Edwin Mccarthy  
7-24 Betty Seavey  
7-25 Colleen Funkhouser  
7-25 Helen Matthews  
7-25 Francis (Pat) Ostrem  
7-25 Charles Polivka  
7-26 Norene Chase  
7-26 Dorothy Givens  
7-26 Robert Hamilton  
7-26 Sally Smith  
7-26 Donald Tierney  
7-27 Steve Blazo  
7-27 Bobbie Busler  
7-27 Robert (Bob) Campbell  
7-27 James (Jim) Edwards  
7-27 Alma Flass  
7-27 Donna Gibson  
7-27 Sharon (Sherri) Mason  
7-27 Donna Steele  
7-28 Dave Currens  
7-28 Carole Kelley  
7-28 Andrea Windham  
7-30 Sylvia Franklin  
7-30 Gerry Graszl  
7-30 Bennett Gresham  
7-30 Joyce Moesker  
7-31 Prscilla (Pris) Chase  
7-31 Becky Danner  
7-31 Rosamond Morell  
7-31 Gerry Sturm  
7-31 Eugene Szonntag