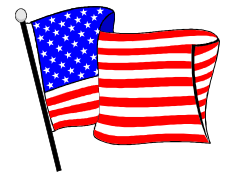


President's Newsletter

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**hpREM Social** (info provided by Elaine Sakowich)

Our Spring social was held on May 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Brigid's Hall in Lexington with a total of 51 people attending. The social was opened by President Joyce Hoagland welcoming everyone and thanking the food committee for a job well done; also welcoming new members Marie Card, Maureen Daniels, Carole Chaisson and Al Sherman. The social began with cheese and crackers followed by a nice lunch consisting of cold cut platters, salads, soft drinks and finally with delicious deserts baked by some of our members. We'd like to thank all those who helped with the social. Monica Dickie reported on upcoming trips for June 10<sup>th</sup> with the Philadelphia Mummers, the Spirit of Boston (\$74.00 per person) on July 29<sup>th</sup> and mentioned an upcoming trip to Mohegan Sun sometime in August. This was followed by a drawing for door prizes; the winners were: Henry Theriault, Sally Patrick and Nancy Sharpe. Plants donated by a member for the food table were also raffled off and winners were: Buck Locke, Ann Phelps and Mary Chaisson. This was another great Social!

**The Philadelphia Mummers** (info provided by Elaine Sakowich)

On June 10<sup>th</sup> eight people attended the Philadelphia Mummers in Springfield at Symphony Hall. The Ferko String Band entertained the audience with a parade of numerous beautiful costumes. They played music from all eras for both young and old. The sights and sounds of this band were tremendous. Folks enjoyed several sing-alongs while some of the actors paraded through the audience inviting some of the guests to get up and join in. Prior to the show attendees were dropped off at a local mall in Holyoke for lunch and shopping. A good time was had by all.

**Update of Upcoming REM Events/Trips** (Logistics for the trips were mailed recently)

- **July 29<sup>th</sup>** – Harbor Cruise on the Spirit of Boston. This promises to be a very entertaining experience in Boston featuring a luncheon Grand Buffet. This two-hour cruise on Boston's historic harbor is perfect for a summer getaway.
- **August 19<sup>th</sup>** - Trip to Mohegan Sun with buses leaving Kohl's parking lot in Burlington at 8:00 a.m. and returning about 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$25.00 per person to be paid to the bus driver upon boarding. The trip will include transportation, \$10.00 food voucher and \$10.00 bet coupon good on the Big 6 Wheel only. You must let Monica Dickie know if you'll be going, no later than August 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **September 11<sup>th</sup>** – Annual Membership Meeting/Social will take place at St. Brigid's hall at noon. Cost is \$10.00 and includes lunch.
- **October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Octoberfest will take place at Venus DeMilo. Live entertainment featuring Adam Barthalt and his Award Winning Polka Band will be performing. The cost is \$66 per person which will include transportation from St. Margaret's Church parking lot leaving at 8:30 a.m. and returning about 5:45 p.m. Also included will be a delicious meal of Stuffed Chicken Breast or Weiner Schnitzel, with potato, vegetable, dessert, tea and coffee.
- **December 11<sup>th</sup>** – December Social / Toys for Kids / Food Drive. More details to follow.

These events/trips are very enjoyable and a great chance to spend time with other retirees.

**New hpREM Members**

hpREM is pleased to announce two new members: Maryann LeBlanc and Jean Schubach. We look forward to seeing them at upcoming hpREM events.

**Milestones** (info provided by Maryann LeBlanc and Nancy Sharpe)

Long-term employees, Joe Silva, Carol Doiron, Pitt Gallup, Jim Cobb, Eileen Sutcliffe and Jim Laramie recently retired from Philips. All were long-term employees of Hewlett-Packard and/or Agilent and Philips. Our congratulations to all!

**In Remembrance**

Sadly we're remembering the deaths of Frank Prasse (April), Idalina Henriques (May) and Rita Delaney (June). All were long-term employees of Hewlett-Packard. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

## Foundation for 'trophy-quality' building

**Waltham HP Building** (Article from the News Tribune) info provided by Maryann LeBlanc

It's a premier location along the Rte. 128 business corridor that for years has seemed ripe for development, yet remained dormant. No longer, as Hobbs Brook Management broke ground yesterday for two new office buildings totaling some 335,000 square feet at 175 and 185 Wyman St. - the foot of the Hobbs Brook Office Park. Thomas Dusel, president and CEO of Hobbs Brook Management, said the property deserves two "trophy quality" buildings.

The property, which at one time was owned by Hewlett Packard, is already the site of an existing 330,000-square-foot building. That structure will be demolished, yet much of it will still remain. That's because about 90 percent of the steel, masonry and concrete will be recycled and used during construction there. "The more you can recycle of the existing building, the better," Dusel said. Materials from the old building not used for redeveloping the property will be taken to another in-state construction site.

Hobbs Office Park already contains nine buildings, and when the two new structures are completed, will total some 1.5 million square feet. Construction on the two new buildings will begin later this summer and is expected to be completed by late 2009 or early 2010. Marc Margulies, architect for the project, said other developers had eyed the roughly 26-acre property, but looked to create something much larger than the two-story office buildings that will now be built there. "The reason that this site has been left undeveloped for so long is that everyone else was trying to create some behemoth," Margulies said. Margulies said the two new office buildings would frame a landscaped courtyard.

Dusel, noting long-time tenants such as IBM that are already in the Hobbs Brook Office Park, said companies that would occupy the new buildings would likely also become fixtures in Waltham. "Once we get tenants in our building, they stay for a long, long time," Dusel said.

To ensure the buildings are Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified, an underground water storage tank will capture runoff from the roof to irrigate the landscape. Also, new roofs will be constructed with a high reflection rating to reduce heat island effect.

Chip Batchelder, of Wyman Street Advisors, leasing agent for the new office buildings, called the location "the best suburban office park development in the entire Eastern seaboard." He said no tenants have signed up yet, but interest is high. "If you've got a 100,000 square-foot tenant that you want to sign up today, lunch is on me," Batchelder told the crowd at the groundbreaking ceremony. Dusel said that the new office campus could be attractive to biomedical companies, where the market is now leaning.

Among those attending the groundbreaking were state Rep. Thomas Stanley, D-Waltham, who is also an at large city councilor, along with city councilors Sarafina "Sally" Collura and Gary Marchese. Stanley, noting the tough economic climate, said the city would "greatly appreciate the tax revenue" the new office campus would bring.

By Richard Conn/Daily News Staff.

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