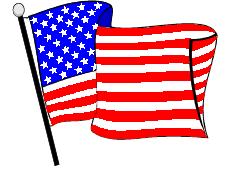


President's Newsletter

**hp REM**

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**hpREM Membership**

There is a total of 20 people who have not yet sent their money to renew their 2008 membership for the hpREM club. If you want to remain an active member and receive mailings to include trips, newsletters, etc, you need to send in your \$10.00 dues, as soon as possible, to: Monica Dickie, 48 Leigh Street, Framingham, MA. 01701-4318. This will be your last reminder.

**hpREM Retiree Website - Updated**

[WWW.HPREM.COM](http://WWW.HPREM.COM) has been updated to show pictures taken at the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Holiday Social.

Anyone wishing a copy of a photo should send an email request to [JOHNDINEEN@COMCAST.COM](mailto:JOHNDINEEN@COMCAST.COM) and provide him with the name of the photo you want. He will be happy to email a copy to you.

**December 6<sup>th</sup> Holiday Social** (Info provided by Elaine Sakowich)

The Holiday Social was held at St. Brigid's Hall in Lexington on Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup> with members bringing many Toys for Children. The social was opened by hpREM President Joyce Hoagland welcoming everyone and thanking the food committee for the work they did to make this a great occasion.

There were a total of 58 members in attendance. Bob Hanlon was welcomed as our newest member. Refreshments followed with sandwiches, salads, soft drinks, coffee and a great variety of delicious desserts baked by some of our members. Thanks to all who participated.

This was followed by a drawing for door prizes. The winners were: Mary Ribeiro, Sally Patrick and Norm Swanson. We then proceeded with the White Elephant swap. This is always fun and all had a great time.

**New REM Members**

hpREM is pleased to announced three new members: Gerald Patrick, Alan Sherman and Marilyn Goodrich. We look forward to seeing you at upcoming REM events.

**Dual Dental Plan**

Addison Avenue Financial Partners, LLC has teamed with Family Choice and Dental Benefits Plus to offer members of Addison Avenue Federal Credit Union the opportunity to choose from two comprehensive dental plans. Both plans offer excellent, affordable services. Credit Union members may enroll in Family Choice from January 2008 through February 2008, and may enroll in Dental Benefits Plus at any time. To learn more, visit the [Insure & Protect](#) section of [addisonavenue.com](http://addisonavenue.com).

Not available in all states/territories. These plans provide contracted discounts at certain providers for services and do not make payments to the providers. The plan member is obligated to pay for all services rendered. See website for details.

**Upcoming REM Events**

We are in the process of planning this year's events/trips. We will have a list available for you in our next newsletter coming out in April. In the meantime we're planning to have an Irish event in March (Reagle Players at the Waltham High School) of which you'll get the information in the mail as we get closer to the date. In the meantime, we have the dates for this year's socials at St. Brigid's Hall: They will take place on Thursdays, May 8<sup>th</sup>, September 11<sup>th</sup> and December 11<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars.

## HP Medical Alumni Reunion (Info provided by Jim Phelps)

The Medical Alumni held a reunion on September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The following are some of the exciting things that happened:

Many months before the actual event, Kate Stohlman and Genie Bachert and their group of former HP/Medical employees spent a considerable amount of time contacting former Medical Group employees to invite them to a reunion to be held on September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of 2007. The response was tremendous as over 170 people were present for the Gala Dinner Party on Saturday night the 29<sup>th</sup>.

The event started with a "Beer Bust" at the Brewery Exchange in Lowell on Friday evening. It was a great opportunity to meet a number of the people who had come from all over the world to spend a weekend with folks they had worked with for many years.

On Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m., Management of Philips Medical Systems invited us to a reception and a plant tour of the Andover facility. Steve Rusckowski, Vice President of Philips Medical, welcomed everyone and brought us up to date on the product lines that his organization is now involved with. After Steve's talk, we were given a tour of the Andover plant. It was amazing to see some of the new products and visit a very different manufacturing floor from the one that many of us remember from sometime ago. The plant tour was followed by a luncheon at The Bashara Boat House at the Lawrence Riverfront Park.

Saturday evening's dinner party at The Alpine Grove in Hollis, New Hampshire was outstanding. After dinner, Dean Morton, Dick Alberding and Ben Holmes made a few remarks about their days in The Medical Products Group and how great it was to be able to have so many of us together to share the evening. Later on in the evening, the reunion group presented a local comedian, Paul Nardizzi, son of Al Nardizzi, who had us rolling in the aisles with his jokes. As people were leaving that night, they only had one question; when will we do it again?

## What HP and Agilent Retirees Are Eligible For: (Info provided by Alma Maldonado)

[www.hp.com/retiree](http://www.hp.com/retiree) is an HP hosted website for HP and Agilent retirees. It has a wealth of information and you are encouraged to browse.

### HP and Agilent Specific:

- benefit vendor contacts
- how to change your address
- where to claim the Retiree Survivor Benefit (5K insurance policy for surviving spouse of a retiree, no cost)
- AdsOnline – (place your wanted or for sale ads)
- and much more

Both HP and Agilent retirees can browse the HP News, Discounts, and other password protected areas as a club member .....but, again, you must be a "designated retiree" in the eyes of HP to benefit from the negotiated discounts. Agilent retirees, you can try to obtain a vendor/retailer discount. See below for the EPP discount criteria.

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To receive the HP retiree discount (equal to what HP employees receive HP EPP), you must fit into 1) or 2):

- 1) be a "designated retiree" from HP (*example*: min 55 yrs old/15 yrs service, or whatever qualifying program rules you left HP under)
- 2) have retired from HP, then at the time of the Agilent split, you were "assigned" to Agilent as a retiree, but never actually went on Agilent payroll.

To review the HP discounts, go to [www.hp.com/retiree](http://www.hp.com/retiree), click on EPP (left navigation bar), click on U.S. flag, and that will display the HPEPP discounts, or call 1-888-345-5409.

\* If you transferred to Agilent, then retired, review the Agilent discounts (equal to a "corporate" discount) on HP products by going to [www.hpsopping.com/epp](http://www.hpsopping.com/epp), register, and enter Company Code 248, or call 1-866-433-2018.

If they cannot locate you in a database, ask to be connected to a specialist who will follow up.

## hpREM Newsletters Via E-Mail

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## Newsletter Items Welcome

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Thanks Elaine Sakowich and Alma Maldonado for their help with the newsletter.

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