



Membership Growing

DINNER'S ON BUTCH!

From the Corner Pocket

In these late days of summer my freezer fills with homegrown produce as my garden matures. The days spent watering and weeding, tying up and pruning, and then picking and peeling, are now rewarded with a huge store of tasty vegetables healthier than what factory farms ship to market.

I'm sure many retired QCCers now enjoying the fruits of their years spent contributing to CalPERS have similar feelings. For those still working, take heart that your efforts will pay off one day—if the Governator doesn't attack the CalPERS funds. For my garden, it will soon be time again to pull down all the old plants and vines in preparation for another year's seeds just around the corner. This simple story hints at the truth that for any living thing there must be seasons of planting, nurturing, growth, support, and pruning in order to reap the harvest. And when there is no more new growth, it is time to pull it out and toss it aside for fresh new planting.

The good news is that several districts have had new infusions in their membership ranks and their leadership. I'd like to be reporting on more of it in more places though. Do you have more members in your district? New, local leaders



helping with activities? I'm happy to report that District 11 QCC has new help with its upcoming (*over when you read this*) fall picnic barbecue—and may just have other leadership spots filled at that event.

This will be the last reminder before the close, on December 31, of the recruitment contest where I will personally buy dinner at the best place in your town, (your choice), for the QCC director and the person recruiting the most new members in the past two years.

We have nearly weathered the void in potential members caused by the layoffs of '75, and with many current Caltrans employees now reaching their 25-year mark, there are lots of opportunities for recruiting. I was proud to be part of a recent Caltrans District 11 awards

ceremony that recognized 39 active working people on reaching their 25-year milestone. **Dan Johnson** of District 3 tells me they're catching up fast by contacting more than 200 people who are eligible for QCC membership but have somehow been missed. Don't wait until they retire to sign up new members. They may move to some other state, never to be heard from again.

Read Kim's Secretary Treasurer piece on how QCC HQ reimbursements to districts will be in line with our bylaws by sending funds for mailings to members only on submissions of receipts.

— Butch Biendara

Rather read the QCCer on-line?

Go to <http://ctqcc.150m.com/qccnewsletter.html>
 A membership application and a wealth of information about QCC officers, history, and constitution are available at <http://ctqcc.150m.com/qcc.html>
 Check the current haps at Caltrans at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dnews>

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Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Website: The website has been updated and is pretty much current. Let me know if you see corrections that need to be made.

Roster: The 2008 Roster of members is included with this issue. This should be current through the end of August 2008. Please let me know of any errors, deletions or additions I might have overlooked.

Dues: As an early reminder, dues for 2009 must be paid by the end of February or the member will be dropped from the mailing list after notification by the secretary-treasurer. Yearly dues are \$15 and can be paid directly to the secretary/treasurer as well as to your district treasurer. Be sure to check the mailing label for your dues status.

Honorary Members: The president's column asked you to check this location regarding honorary membership. Please check the section entitled "honorary members" elsewhere in this issue.

New Members This year has been really great for signing up new members. Most of the work has been done in just a few districts, and the job they have done is truly magnificent. So all you districts that haven't gained many members ... get with it!

E-mail Addresses: There has been some interest in publishing the e-mail addresses of our members. This was a practice in the past, but with the emphasis on privacy these days, I am hesitant to publish anything without the approval of the address holder. Over the next few months I will try to contact everyone (by e-mail) to get opinions on this. For those who OK it, I will publish a list **on the website** for all to use. (I imagine a lot of the addresses I have are very old and may no longer be valid.)

In Conclusion: In the last issue, I made a comment "...may the wind be at your back" I received a note from a motorcycle rider who said they prefer the wind in their face. So for all you riders, may the wind be in your face and (I assume you smile when you ride) may the bugs on your teeth be small.

Until the next time, take care of yourselves.

Kim Yarbrough

Honorary Members

Honorary members must notify the Secretary-Treasurer if they wish to continue their dues-free status. See officer list for Secretary-Treasurer address.

The Haps in District 1

The fog is rolling in and our summer is about over, but it has been fun. **George Otterbeck** writes that on his way to Idaho, he met **Leo Ferroni** for breakfast at Melitas, a little complex in Oregon. Leo worked for the bridge department in our area for many years so we often got to see him in the district office. According to George, Leo is like fine wine, he just seems to get better with age and looks almost the same as when he worked in District 1—a little greyer, but still fit. He lives in or near Sprague River, east of Chilquin, Oregon.

Leo shared some of the interesting things he has done since he retired. He did consulting work in Saudi Arabia and China. In China he worked on a 140+ mile freeway. He said the Chinese approach to Right of Way was revealing: they just take the land and the people move.

After visiting with Leo, George headed on to Coeur D'Alene where he met his daughter and four of his grandkids. They enjoyed visiting the area, including the Garfield theme and water park at Stillwood; they also enjoyed Helena, Montana, boating on Canyon Ferry Lake, and visiting the Museum of the Rockies at Bozeman, which has a great dinosaur bones collection. His grandson **Zach** wanted one, but his mother persuaded him to forget it. They also toured the Wheat of Montana bakery in Three Forks. They harvest 20 thousand acres twice a year and sell all over Montana and nearby states. Being with your kids and grandkids makes life so much richer.

Tom Estrada, our maintenance mechanic, and **Lonnie Wellman**, Caltrans maintenance leadworker, retired July 1. I will still see Lonnie since he now volunteers at the Clarke Historical Museum. His wife, **Lynn**, also works there and the two make a great team.

Bill Richards, our electrical engineering technician, retires on August 30.

We also just got word that **Richard Strubinger** is retiring from the Shop after 40 years. His retirement party will be at the Elk's Lodge on October 4.

Two of our wonderful shop retirees, **Barbara Nichols** and **Bill Barton** will be taking reservations. Regretfully, I cannot make it to this party. They are always such fun.

I made it to the most recent highwaymen and road agents lunch at the Home Town Buffet. We had a great visit. **Don McDonell** came over from Dunnigan just for the lunch. It was great to see him again after all these years.

District 1 held its annual Service Awards lunch July 16 at the Red Lion Inn. Retirees attending included me, **Rita Coleman** and her husband, **Doug**, **Tim Fisher**, **Bob Trice**, **Rick Knapp**, **Tom Georgeson**, **Gerry Spellenberg** and his wife, **Barbara**, **Larry Bowermaster**, **Ray Sweet** and **Lowell Allen**. Twenty-five year awards went to **Julian Barbash**, **Vern Callahan**, **Jamie Camden**, **John Carson**, **Weldon Hailey**, **Doug Helton**, **Bill Henry**, **Nancy Hueske**, **Steve Hughes**, **Bob Kornman**, **Joe Leo**, **Mike Martin**, **Lisa Spellenberg**, and **Mike Stapleton**. Thirty year awards went to **Dexter Luther** and **Fritz Silberstein**, and 35-year awards went to **Andrew Bland**, **Greg Kaye**, **Bruce McIntyre** and **Michael Rey**. I handed out some QCC applications and hope to get some new members. Our district director, **Charlie Fielder**, did a great job as Emcee, welcoming everyone and coordinating the presentations.

One of our retirees recently made it into the local newspaper. **Jim Lyon** won first place in the pie baking contest at the Humboldt Senior Resource Center.

I managed to miss **Jim** and **Linda Boyd** at the Fortuna car show in July, but they saw

Dennis Grinsell, Terry Davis, and **Gordon Johnson** (who was also in town for his class reunion). I also managed to see **Tom Georgeson** and **Len Blomquist**.

We went out to dinner for my birthday in July and saw **Gordon Johnson** (the class reunion again) and **Bob** and **Joyce Trice**. It's nice that so many of our retirees have stayed in the area after retirement.

On a sad note, we recently lost **Millie Herron**, who passed away July 11, just five days short of her 95th birthday. She worked for District 1 for many years. I will always remember her giving the road conditions and closures on the radio. After retirement, she attended many of our ladies' lunches until she no longer could do so. She and her husband loved square dancing and she was active in several local organizations.

I also received an e-mail notice from the district office that **Bob Wilcox**, who had retired from Eureka maintenance in 2006 as a Caltrans highway maintenance worker, passed away at his home in June.

We also heard that district HAZMAT manager **Jim Grow's** father passed away June 19 and our district director, **Charlie Fielder's** mother passed away June 20.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of these fine people whom we have recently lost.

If you have any news that our fellow QCCers would find interesting, please send it to me at ahartin@suddenlink.net.

—Arlene Hartin

"I don't have a savings account because I don't know my mother's maiden name, and apparently that's the key to the whole thing" - Paula Poundstone

The Haps in District 2

Greetings to all from sunny (and very warm) Redding. The District 2 annual reunion picnic was held at Anderson River Park on June 28th. There was concern that the heat and smoke from the forest fires would deter some, but a total of 75 friends attended. Stories were shared from table to table. Some were believable and some not! **Jim Ceragioli** announced the names of those to receive honorary certificates: **John Haner, Charlie Moss, Donald Carlile** and **Charles Evans**. John Haner was present and received his certificate. The Enterprise Lions Club, headed by our own **Bob Prah**, prepared the delicious food. Everyone had a very good time.

Russ Azevedo writes, "**Norma** and I have solved the retiree's dilemma of not having enough time to play. When the District 2 annual reunion picnic and the Shasta Wheelmen's annual three days of bicycling around the Lake Almanor area were scheduled the same weekend, we did both by cutting Saturday's ride short and driving down to the picnic."

To "save" time after driving back up to do Sunday's ride, Russ peddled the 104 miles down to Redding on Monday (instead of up to Chester as usually done on Friday). He felt this was fair as the "kids" now at Caltrans have been sneaking out at night and making the highways steeper than they were in years past.

A big THANK YOU to the good people who made the picnic happen. The camaraderie was well worth ignoring gas prices!

Les and Mary Farley celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary at the Odd Fellows Hall in Palo Cedro on April 26. Their niece, Gina, prepared a wonderful dinner for the 160 friends

and family members who helped them celebrate. A four-piece band played great music to dance to, and most of the guests did. Les and Mary were married in Reno on April 22, 1968. Their children are: Mary's daughter, **Helen** (husband **Steve Bonnett**), Les' son **Mike**, daughters **Patty** of Redding and **Angela** of Ceres. Six of their nine grandchildren also attended, as did their two great grandchildren. Both Les and Mary retired from Cal Trans.

Gene and Donita Wahl attended the golden reunion for the University of Nevada-Reno, Class of 1958. Gene graduated from his alma mater on June 2, 1958, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in civil engineering. The alumni at the reunion were treated like royalty, with guided tours of the campus, which had expanded considerably over the last 50 years. When Gene attended, UN Reno enrolled only two thousand students; the university's enrollment has since grown to 16 thousand. The thousands of guests attending the 2008 commencement ceremony feted the Class of 1958. The celebration featured a dinner at which the reunion class members received pins commemorating the event.

Jim Ceragioli, District 2 director, writes, "I swore a number of years ago that I had served my time in this slot and that I would never do it again, but two very convincing ladies bugged me until I had to acquiesce. I've done a bit of travel in the past two months and more is on the horizon. In May, I went north to Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Cottage Grove in Oregon and Bellingham, Washington. In Ashland and Medford, I saw people I had not seen since between 1958 and 1968. They were neighbors in Santa Cruz who have since moved to Oregon to retire. One, **Diane Keller**, has a son, **Erik Covington**, who is now a District 2 employee. I then moved on to Grants Pass to see friends from Walnut Creek and also went to Merlin to see a couple from my old District 4 days, **Barbara (Repp)** and **Sid Ulrickson**. I hadn't seen them since about 1976 when I moved to Redding. I then went on to Cottage Grove to see my sister-in-

law and then on to Bellingham to see my sister and brother-in-law.

"I spent a lot of my economic stimulus package on the round trip, which was over 1,700 miles. Father's Day weekend saw me in Reno to see my son, daughter-in-law and grandson and then on to Irvine to see some old friends and to Westlake Village to see other friends, then on to Santa Cruz to see cousins and return home after another 1,500 miles and more stimulus money spent. Fall will see me on to Italy to take a Mediterranean cruise for 12 days. Spend, spend, spend. Oh, what fun."

Gene Knaebel's photography, including panoramas and infrared black and white images, is currently on display at the Redding City Hall Art Exhibit, first floor lobby. The opening reception was held the evening of June 26. Exhibition dates are June 26 through October 10.

Keith Amett's retirement luncheon barbecue was held July 25 at Caldwell Park Pavilion. Keith worked in traffic engineering with roadside signing and retired with 39 years state service. Best wishes to you, Keith, on your well-deserved retirement!

Save the date for the fall luncheon, Thursday, October 9 at 11:30 am at Lulu's Restaurant in Redding. Flyers to follow.

Thanks for the news tidbits! Keep them coming!

— *Diane Tomicich and Shirley Shoup*

The Haps in District 3

We wish to welcome the following new members to our District 3 Quarter Century

Club family: **Eugene Abshie, Robert Atkinson, Edwin Betschart, Noel Blampied, Dave Bundock, Jr., Wallace Crother, Maria DeFilippo, William "Jack" Hill, Jody Jones, Connie Keriotis, Ted Lowe, Bill Malott, Ronald Michaelis James Swain Charles "Bob" Tyler, and Richard Young.**

Welcome and thanks for your support!

Our annual spring party is in the planning stage and will be discussed at the business/planning meeting to be held September 11 at 2 pm at the Yuba City Moose Lodge. All members are invited to attend. We are looking at a late March or early April 2009 date. A decision will be for moving the party to the Peach Tree Country Club. Look for more info in the next QCC bulletin.

A special meeting was called to discuss a proposed community service project. The Board of Officers decided to table this project until our spring party. Director Dan will announce the idea to the membership for your input during the meeting prior to the meal.

Members are reminded they can now enjoy a **20% discount** for dinner (no beverages) at **Ruthy's Restaurant** in Yuba City any Wednesday evening from 5 to 9 pm and at IHOP, also in Yuba City, a **15% discount** for breakfast, lunch or dinner seven days a week. **All you need to do is show your QCC membership card.**

There appears to be some confusion in regard to associate membership and honorary life membership in the Quarter Century Club. The following comes from our club's constitution and is found in SECTION 3:

Associate Membership for the surviving spouse of an Honorary Member becomes

effective immediately upon written request of the surviving spouse and will be continued, without payment of dues until the surviving spouse reaches the age of 80 when they will become an Associate Honorary Member.

"Associate Membership for a surviving spouse of a non-Honorary Member who has paid dues for a minimum of five (5) years will attain the status of Associate Honorary Member upon reaching the age of 80 and will not have to pay any further dues.

Members who have attained the age of 80 and have paid dues for the five years preceding, may upon their application be awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the Quarter Century Club. Upon reaching age 80, Honorary and Associate Honorary members must make an annual written request to be relieved of paying annual dues and to continue receiving the QCCer for the following year at no cost. If no written request is made, they will be considered delinquent and be dropped from the mailing list.

We hear from **Frank Maskovich**, deputy district director of administration. The new district office building is on schedule for a late October opening. A tentative date and time has been set for 10:30 am October 28. Please be aware this date is subject to change.

Report from Publicity Chairman, Susanna Ford: "I talked to **Jim Howard**, who is going through chemo. He has lots of support from his wife, **Pat**. Jim has completed one treatment and will get six more. He gets out of the house for short trips. Pat and Jim attended church recently and breakfast afterward. Jim tells me that Pat "is a very highly paid nurse."

"John and Wanda Roach are doing fine. They have joined the local Sutter RV Club that

has a rather large membership of which about 50 percent are Caltrans people. Wanda spends time taking care of her great grandchild and I have seen John heading for the local yard sales on Saturday mornings.

“Jim Hockstrasser took a trip to Idaho this summer and is now traveling in Oregon.

“I had a short visit with **Jo Ann Ellis**. She looks good and is in good spirits.

“Betty and Everett Emmons have spent the summer at their home in Vancouver, Washington. Both like going to the casino for dinner and playing bingo. Everett seems to be the big winner this summer. They have friends and family in the area and are enjoying an active social life. Their son, **Scott**, did the Seattle-to-Portland (205) bicycle ride in July. Son **Steve** is plugging away at his job working out of his home office while **Jill** is cleaning out the house she has for sale in Chicago. The Emmons plan to spend the winter in the California desert.

“Chuck and Pat Miller have been busy with a cruise to the Mexican Riviera in January, and a week at Lake Tahoe in July with four of the children, their spouses and 10 grandchildren. It was neat to have so many of the family in one place. They were in Las Vegas in October to see Jimmy Buffet in concert and also went to the Giants/Dodgers ball game in San Francisco in August. They were thrilled when the Giants won the game. Chuck is working for an inspection consultant that contracts with the state, county and city governments and is really enjoying the work. Pat is active with the Sutter County Taxpayers association and was chosen as president this year.

“I have not been to any faraway places this year but I did make it to Toronto (my birthplace)

and had two trips to Utah, which is my son's home. Most recently I spent a wonderful week at South Lake Tahoe with family at a beautiful rental home located near everything. That same weekend was the annual official launch of the summer season at the lake and many fun things were going on including motocross stunt jumpers, Elvis impersonators dropping from the sky and live music and vendors. They actually closed a section of Highway 50 for the event. We were on board the paddlewheel boats for the annual race. The Tahoe Queen lost the race and our captain had to walk the plank and dive into the icy waters amid cheers from the M.S. Dixie II, who won.

“I enjoyed a week's visit with my 15-year-old grandson with my daughter **Jan Agesen** and her husband **Richard**, who helped me keep him occupied. Eric's most exciting thing was riding on the back of Richard's Harley to Coloma and he also had fun playing games and learning cribbage from Grandma. I sent him home with a cribbage board. How many 15-year olds can make that claim?

“I also attended the Asparagus Festival in Stockton, enjoyed the performances including Tyson, the skateboarding bulldog, and went on a short Delta River cruise.

“I keep busy with local activities, play bridge and take one-day bus trips from the senior center. I also volunteer weekly at the office of the Yuba Sutter Gleaners food bank, which has 149 volunteer members and services 15 distribution sites monthly in the Yuba/Sutter area. Any volunteers will be appreciated to help with this wonderful program.

“I also have two rescue lap doggies that are such great company for me and make me smile and I get lots of exercise walking them daily.

"**Wilbur** and **Sandra Wright** ventured to Fort Bragg in August and visited with **Dan** and **Stella Winona**. While there they had dinner with **Chuck** and **Pat Secoy**, **Fred** and **Peggy Glander**, **Glenn** and **Doris Case** and **Bill Westfall** and **Bethel Green** from Fort Bragg. They discussed how great the fishing used to be and how bad it is now. They reported the average temperature there was 60 degrees.

"Members are asked to contact Membership Chairperson, Carleen Hagen if they have any qualified friends who wish to join the District 3 QQC. Carleen can be reached by e-mail at hcdhagen@aol.com or by phone at (530) 674-9026.

From **Keith Maggini**: "We have received news that **Dee Yeager** has passed away. Dee was the wife of the late **Wally Yeager**, who spent the late years of his state career in the Sacramento maintenance area. Dee worked for the United States Postal Service before retiring. Wally started his state career at the Echo Summit maintenance yard on the top of Echo Summit on Hwy 50. He was promoted to lead worker in the Sacramento Area in the '70s and later was promoted to highway foreman before retiring.

"**La Roy Carroll** flew to Oklahoma in early June to attend a family reunion. He reported that the weather was on the mild side in contrast to the flooding farther north. An enjoyable time was had by all, in spite of the cost of fuel to travel there.

"**Gerald** and **Lu Anna Hamm** spent a week's vacation in Northern California and Southern Oregon visiting friends. Gerry reported they tried to use secondary highways to avoid the congestion. They have a new hybrid vehicle and are enjoying it very much, especially the fuel mileage.

"**Darrell** and **Jo Anne Hansen** made their annual trip to Yosemite National Park in May. They encountered storms that kept them inside their motorhome, but otherwise

everything went according to plans with an enjoyable trip.

"**A reminder**: Don't forget the Placerville area's annual autumn luncheon, which will be held Thursday, September 18 at the Green House Cafe in the Raley's Shopping Center in West Placerville. The luncheon will start at 2:30 P.M. with the cafe being closed to the Public. Attendees will order from the menu with individual checks. Make reservations by calling either **Doug Becker** (530) 622-1665 or **Gerald Hamm** (530) 622-8030.

The weekly breakfasts are continuing at the same location. No reservations needed, come on out and join us every Tuesday at the Green House Cafe at 8 am.

Dan Johnson, Sr. Susanna Ford and Keith Maggini



The Haps in District 4

I ran into **Ed Graham** at our local Pasta Pomodoro restaurant. He had been looking forward to a trip to Tibet this spring but the Chinese government cancelled it because of concern about protests during the Beijing Olympics. He hopes he'll be able to take the trip next year with the

Olympics now over.

Ed Coble has finally completed his move from Cupertino to Walnut Creek.

Harry Yahata and his wife took a Mediterranean cruise in May. It looks like the economy downturn and inflation have affected the cruise lines. Everyone who has taken a cruise recently has remarked that the cruise lines are not feeding their passengers as lavishly as in the past.

Ann Hansen and her daughter, **Jennifer**, returned from a very enjoyable trip to Japan. Ann was especially impressed with some of the ceremonial robes she viewed.

Glen Behm, Ed Coble and **Ann Hansen** are commiserating with each other on the increasing cost of San Francisco 49er season tickets. They seem to be the only commodity whose price is increasing faster than that of a barrel of oil. No one is quite ready to give their tickets up, but if the Niners don't have a successful season, who knows what will happen?

District 4 is planning a trip to the Devil's Slide tunnel project for retired district directors and deputies on October 3. I hope to report on the trip next quarter. That may be a problem since I've received a summons for jury duty!

My wife and I have had a busy summer, helping our youngest daughter in Santa Monica. She has gone from teaching first grade in a public school to teaching kindergarten in a private Jewish school. She will have about 45 students, including 25 boys in the morning and then 20 girls in the afternoon (classes are segregated by gender.) My wife and I have been helping her move from her old classroom to her new one. At least we haven't had to help her move her residence this year—at least not yet!

— Paul Hensley

Gentlemen Only, Ladies Forbidden?

Did the word "golf" originate as an acronym for "gentlemen only, ladies forbidden"? That's a common old wives' tale. Or, in this case, more likely an old husband's tale.

No, "golf" is not an acronym for "gentlemen only, ladies forbidden." If you've ever heard that, forget it immediately. Better yet, find the person who told you and let them know it's not true.

Like most modern words, the word "golf" derives from older languages and dialects. In this case, the languages in question are medieval Dutch and old Scots.

The medieval Dutch word "kolf" or "kolve" meant "dub." It is believed that word passed to the Scots, whose old Scots dialect transformed the word into "golfe," "gowl" or "gouf."

The Haps in District 5

Hope you had a pleasant summer and are looking forward to the color and coolness of fall.

As of today (August 31) the state is still without a budget. The governor has used a variety of sticks and carrots on the legislators, without success. One action did have an impact on all state agencies: students and temporary employees, including retired annuitants, were separated on July 31. This caused me to be laid off for the first time in my career with Caltrans. Feels kind of odd to receive a "good-bye" letter from Human Resources after all these years.

As a result, I've been away from my District 5 sources and don't have much current news. I will have to refer you to the Caltrans website for the latest on our District 5 projects. Go to <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/projects/> for a listing by county and route, with current press releases and construction reports. These reports use creative graphics, photos and text to

give you the latest information. For instance, look under Southbound 101 eastside for the operational improvements just beginning from Milpas to Hot Springs. You may have seen a recent TV spot featuring Director **Will Kempton** discussing work in the Santa Barbara area.

Caltrans folks continue appear in local and national publications. The August edition of Journal Plus Magazine includes an article on the early days of aeronautics in San Luis Obispo, featuring **Clyde Philbrick** and his father **Fred**. Clyde received his pilot's license at age 18; shortly before Pearl Harbor, he received a commercial license and an instructor's rating. He taught Army pilots at Hancock College for three years and flew ferry flights between the US and Australia. Clyde worked for Caltrans from 1948 to 1978.

Fred was employed by Union Oil and made flying inspections of pipelines between the Valley and the Central Coast. He also managed Clark Field, the oil company's airstrip along Tank Farm Road. This was the site of an exciting test flight by Fred of a home-made plane built in the local Ford Motors Garage. Fred's seat belt unbuckled as he rolled, and he survived by grabbing the parachute as he was falling. The plane was a total wreck.

You may recall a story last year regarding resident engineer **Charlie Hench** being rescued from the backcountry of the Sierra. The September issue of Readers Digest includes Charlie's story, with personal insights and photos. A very interesting read!

In July, **Bob** and I attended a meeting and barbecue at El Chorro Park sponsored by our local CSEA Retirees Chapter 10. President **Jerry Evans** and his crew cooked an excellent meal, and we enjoyed hearing the latest news. Chapter 10 includes retirees from many state agencies, but we did see several familiar Caltrans faces: **Don** and **Donna Cross**, **Pearl Cole**, **Monte Vernon**, **Bill Cotnam**, **Manuel Luis**, **Dave Wilding**, and **Frank Rowan**.

Thanks to **Don Bogart** for writing us in June. Don and his wife returned to Spokane after his retirement in 1981 to enjoy the seasons and the mountain scenery. Don has been busy with many projects, including playing trumpet in the local symphony orchestra and the Shrine band. He currently plays on Friday mornings for a group of people who are legally blind but enjoy dancing regularly. Don's been doing this for 28 years and says it is very therapeutic.

In July we received a postcard from **George Phebus** and **Bob Smith**, who were enjoying a trip in eastern Canada. They began with a three-night stay in Montreal, and then trained to Quebec City for another three nights, then to Halifax for three more nights. George said they had a great time sightseeing, eating, and walking up and down hills.

Dyer Campbell called with news of **Gordon West**, who had been hospitalized for several days with a severe infection; his son and brother were here to assist him. Gordon decided to stay with his son in the Ventura area to recover, but unfortunately had a relapse. He hopes to return to San Luis Obispo once he is well; we'll let you know in the next issue.

Bill and **Faith Fieldhouse** have been on the go this summer. They visited son **David** and his family in Montana, then spent time at Lake Tahoe with daughter **Ann** before heading to Texas to visit son **Ray** and family. They will head to Oklahoma City in early September.

Joan and **John McGrath** enjoyed a round trip cruise in July from Vancouver to Alaska (actually two back-to-back trips) on Holland America. Joan said they had a little rain and some cool weather, but otherwise had a great trip. They returned home and had a day to rest before the contractor arrived to replace all the windows in the house. It took a lot of work to remove window coverings, move furniture, etc., but Joan says they're very pleased with the results.

Louise and **Alex Woolworth** took a riverboat cruise on the Mississippi, just as

storms were beginning to buffet the Midwest this year. Because of high water, they were unable to make some of the planned stops, and the boat spent one night tangled in growth along the river. Louise said the passengers and crew all headed eagerly for the local bar when they docked in Natchez!

Phillip "Buzzy" Betts passed away unexpectedly on July 26 at his home. Buzzy had been a resident of San Luis Obispo since 1945 and worked for Caltrans for 36 years before retiring as bridge crew supervisor in 2006. He was working as a retired annuitant for the Division of Maintenance, developing a training program for bridge maintenance. Buzzy enjoyed traveling and fishing, and we always looked forward to hearing about his adventures in Mexico. He is survived by his wife **Cathy**, son **Robert**, daughter, **Lori**, and three grandchildren.

Claude Law passed away on June 1 at his home in Atascadero. Claude's career with the Division of Highways began in 1952. He became a licensed surveyor in 1968 and retired in 1993. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, woodworking, crosswords, and walking around Atascadero Lake with dog Tasha. Claude is survived by his wife **Lola**, daughter **Emily**, sons **Greg** and **Steve**, and six grandchildren.

The **Copelands** have both been dealing with health issues this summer that caused us to cancel our trip this fall from South Dakota to Utah. Thanks to family and friends, we made it through the ups and downs, and are looking forward to a Panama Canal cruise in January. Meanwhile, we putter around town and make an occasional foray to the casino in Santa Ynez to contribute to their expansion.

If you have news you'd like to share with other QCC readers, please drop me a note or e-mail. We'd love to hear from you.

—Kathleen Copeland

Eggs

A man and his wife went to breakfast at a restaurant where the senior special was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$1.99.

"Sounds good," the wife said. "But I don't want the eggs."

"Then I'll have to charge you two dollars and forty-nine cents," the waitress answered, "because you're ordering a la carte."

You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?" the wife asked.

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"The home is one of several that this family owns in different parts of the world and it can be appreciated only if you can understand their lifestyle. The home has about 4,000 square feet and is right on the shore. The water is just 15 feet below the last deck and has stairs down to the beach that you can reach at low tide. The interior is what you might expect from a millionaire's home with gold faucets and a beautiful kitchen with every upgrade. The living room is beyond the adjacent homes and has a 180-degree view of the ocean and cliffs.

"The story isn't that we spent a week in Cambria, but that we were able to spend it in such magnificent surroundings. We will have to think hard to find another home that compares since the one we rented in San Diego four years ago is now \$19,000 a month. It was great fun and we look forward to our next trip together."

Carolyn Landy, her daughter **Lisa**, **Josie Rendon**, my sister **Gail**, and I, **Terry Littleton** enjoyed 10 days in the Tuscany region of Italy in June this year with a group from the Clovis Chamber of Commerce. We toured a winery, took a cooking class, and visited the cities of Florence, San Gimignano, Siena and Venice. Carolyn, Lisa and Josie also squeezed in a day trip to Rome, which I skipped after having been there a couple of years back. Italy is a great place to visit for anyone so inclined.

Pat and **Kim Yarbrough** spent some time in Indiana in mid-June, right at the conclusion of all the flooding. They attended a family reunion on Kim's mother's side and were fortunate to have his two daughters fly in for the weekend. They had to go back on Sunday night (to go to work Monday, of course) but were held up for about 3 hours in Indianapolis by a heavy thunderstorm with hail, lightning, etc. The

following week was beautiful with low humidity (yeah!).

They attended the 42nd Annual Bill Monroe Bluegrass Festival in Bean Blossom, Indiana, where Pat got to see a lot of people with whom she used to perform "back in the good old days;" even found her picture taken at the Grand Old Opry hanging in the Monroe Hall of Fame. Early September will find them on a seven-day cruise to Alaska, and then at the end of the month they will be in Pensacola Beach, Florida for Pat's granddaughter's wedding.

From **Dean Burns**, District 11: "We are sad to announce the death of **Perry Anderson** after a long illness. Two years ago he had pancreatic cancer surgery and never fully recovered.

"Three months ago he and **Teresa** moved from **Grants Pass to Crescent City** so their son **Don** could care for them. **Perry's** heart finally gave way to the stress of the long illness.

"Perry was born in Arkansas on October 31, 1925 and died August 15, 2008; he was almost 84 years old. He lived through the depression years and as a teenager and spent three years in the Civilian Conservation Corps during World War II. He then traveled to Michigan and California in search of work, finally settling in the San Joaquin Valley of central California.

"Perry worked in the oil and gas field industry moving drilling rigs, etc. until 1956. He then started his career with the Division of Highways in Mendota as an equipment operator.



"Perry retired in 1987 from District 6; his last assignment was as district equipment manager. Previously he had served as

maintenance supervisor in Pinehurst, Shaver Lake and Lemon Cove. He started with the department in Mendota then transferred to Visalia before promoting to South San Francisco. His entire service was in District 6 except a couple years as leadworker in South San Francisco.

"Perry was laid to rest in Belmont Gardens in Fresno. He joins his mother and father and a brother who had long passed away. He leaves his wife, **Teresa**, a son, **Don** and several grand- and great grandchildren. He also leaves two sisters, **Dot Williams** and **Joyce O'Dell** and two brothers, **Jerry** and **Ed** all living in various west coast cities.

"I have written this tonight because I am unable to sleep. Most of the information is from foggy memory and I am sure some of his old friends will find some dates, etc. slightly off. **Perry** was my buddy, my mentor, my father figure and advisor. God only knows how much we will miss him; however, it is comforting to know he is at rest."

Hazel Said worked at the Division of Highways many years ago so this is for those who remember her. **Hazel D. Fluke-Said**, 96, of Fresno, a homemaker, died August 3.

Grace Aitken died at the age of 85 on July 24, after a long illness. Grace was laid to rest at Clovis Cemetery July 28. Grace was a department administrator for Caltrans and for those of us who knew and worked with her, she really was a blessing. She kept everything running smoothly, kept us all out of trouble and handled most of our kid's problems when we were out of the office. Remember, back then, there were no cell phones. **Ken Walsh** gave her a nice tribute at the service and let us all know that she was known as "Amazing Grace" because she was the only one who could find anything in her filing system.

The following tribute about Grace was written by **Ted Winter** and although it was

written on May 9 after the spring luncheon, which she attended, and was before her passing, I think it will be something her friends will appreciate reading. Many of her friends got a chance to see her again at the luncheon.

"Grace was my buddy in traffic and you could have no better friend. We would work overtime on Saturdays, starting at 6 am; then go to breakfast and come back to complete the eight hours. She had me drive her car and knew that I would get us there and back safely.

I can never do enough for her.

*I knew she was smart and accomplished things that other districts could not. It was only her retirement luncheon that gave me a hint of how bright she really is. That was a classic comeback for **Ken Walsh** and one other. If you listened, the speech was brilliant.*

Her daughter is a teacher and Grace told me one day years ago that her daughter was composing music at the age of 4, but she wanted to be a teacher. See, I can't remember the daughter's name and no I never heard any of the music.

Grace is very frail and on oxygen 24 hours of the day. Probably weighs 85 pounds.

It really was good to see her out and around even if it was just for a little while."

I think it's pretty sad when the obituaries take up most of the news so as I've said before and will repeat myself— PLEASE send any and all news to me. For any of you new e-mailers, please send me your new e-mail addresses or any updated addressed.

Also, the **Christmas luncheon** is tentatively planned for Tuesday, **December 9**, so put it on your calendar. It will be held at Pilgrim Armenian Church (Hal Avakian's church), the same location as last year.

Have a great fall season!

— Terry Littleton

The Haps in District 7

Multi-talented District 7 QCC director **Tom Almany** has assumed the treasurer duties in the wake of **Len Thomson's** stepping down. Please send all financial correspondence to Tom until a new volunteer can assume the duties at the district level. Tom, AKA William Almany III, can be reached by e-mail at talmany@earthlink.net. Other contact information is listed in the back of this newsletter. We will update the information on the webpage, <http://ctqcc.150m.com/qcc.html>

On a similar topic, Tom indicates that if anyone is interested in taking over as District 7 QCC treasurer or in taking up the reins of District 7 QCC director, please contact him; we can hold the elections at the holiday luncheon.

Annual Holiday Celebration: Thanks to **Doris Nakamura**, the annual District 7 QCC holiday luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, December 6 at the historic Mayfair Hotel at 1256 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017. It will be held at the Regency Ballroom on the second floor—the buffet luncheon is \$25 including parking. The room is reserved from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Because of the change in ownership from the New Otani to the Kyoto Grand Hotel this will be an interesting departure from the usual. Don't forget to bring a wrapped gift for our donation drawing.

Lunchtime with the Tom Fera Lunch Bunch: The monthly meeting of the Tom Fera Lunch Group meets on the second Wednesday of each month, except December. The calendar for the next several months is:

September 10, 2008	Steer N' Ale
October 8, 2008	China Olive
November 12, 2008	Joselito's West
December, 2008	No meeting

January 14, 2009

Steer N' Ale

For more information about meetings, etc., contact: **Chuck O'Connell** at (661) 253-3428 or chuckoconnell@prodigy.net, or **Tom Gildersleeve** at (661) 259-6226 or tgilders@pacbell.net.

Recent Sightings: On June 19, several employees of the office of permits who shared coffee and cake at their retirement celebration included **Andy Bott** with 40 years, **Art Orjalo** with 36 1/2 years, **Benny Diwa** with 28 years, and **Doug Richter** with 41 years.

In late June, on a trip to Austin, Texas, **Marie Martin, Bob Walters, Stewart and Kirsten Stahl met** at the annual reunion of Friends of the Fighter Aces. The four intrepid engineers went spelunking north of the city in a cave discovered by TXDOT highway construction workers in the 1960s. Later, on a dinner cruise, they witnessed one of the natural local phenomena of Austin—the nightly summer flight of Mexican freetail bats leaving their roost inside the Congress Street Bridge. Marie swears she could hear the subsonic squeaks of the bats.

Anniversary Road Trip of Larry and Roz Louden: Larry Louden writes of his June travels: "As you will recall, **Marie Martin, Judy and Dennis Reynolds** visited us, Larry and **Roz Loudon**, in May. While here, Marie invited us to visit her at her cabin in Washington. As a result we decided to celebrate our 48th wedding anniversary on the road.

"On the way we visited friends we knew from Southern California in Meridian, Idaho and Pendleton, Oregon. We spent two days with Larry's high school buddy in Richland, Washington and visited the Whitman Mission Historical Park. We drove through the beautiful Columbia River Gorge on Interstate 84 where we hiked at Multnomah Falls.

"Leaving there, we turned north on Interstate 205 near Portland (where the train derailed a few days later, dosing the road) and Interstate 5 to Longview, Washington. Driving up Interstate 5 we got some good views of

Mount Saint Helens in the distance. At Longview we turned west, recrossed the Columbia River to US-30 and drove on to Astoria, Oregon. Roz wanted to take the trolley ride around the city (it costs a dollar and takes about an hour) but Larry was anxious to get to Marie's place and said they would do that on the way back. This was a mistake, which [Larry] will mention later.

"We arrived at Marie's and were greeted by two very large but gentle dogs. The largest (tallest would be a better descriptor), Fenwick, a Great Dane, that stood tall enough for Roz to rest her chin on his head. He liked to roughhouse. The other, Nelson, a Newfoundland-Afghan hound mix, was much more placid. Marie had bathed them and scrubbed and vacuumed so Roz could be around them as she usually develops terrible asthma and rash problems. We visited there for two days and saw the local sights. We went to lunch at the dock in Ilwaco and had the best fish and chips we had ever eaten.

"We found another excellent place to eat in Pendleton, Oregon on the west side of US-395 about just south of I-84. We had clam chowder that was made with lots of dams and not many potatoes there on a Friday afternoon. It was delicious as was the seafood platter, the Reuben sandwich, the Philly cheesesteak and the salad.

"Leaving Marie's, we went back to Astoria to ride the trolley. We got there about 9:30 am and discovered that the trolley does not start running until noon. The result was no trolley ride. Roz was very unhappy because she wanted to see the city, which was showcased in the movie "Kindergarten Cop." We drove US-101 down the coast to Seaside where we turned southeast on US-26.

"On US-30 we had noticed large tracts of trees that had been blown over, some flat on the ground and others tilted at crazy angles. This was also the case along US-26. Marie told us that in December they had three days of high winds, 130 mph sustained with gusts up to 160 mph and

were without power for five days. The storm seems to have been treated as a local secret by the news agencies since very few people outside the area know anything at all about it. There are 50 thousand square miles of trees blown over. The logging companies are very busy.

"We caught Interstate 5 in Portland and drove south to Eugene and then west to Veneta, where we visited with one of Roz's cousins she hadn't seen in over 65 years. She was able to renew acquaintances, meet other family members living in the area and collect a lot of family history and genealogy. From there we returned to Eugene and visited with **John** and **Betty Burris** for about an hour. That visit was both great and sad. It was great to renew friendships and visit with my first boss at Caltrans after returning in 1961 from a tour of duty with the Air Force. It was sad to see the ravages of age. Betty has Parkinson's disease and John is quite crippled and has trouble breathing. He is still sharp as a tack mentally.

"We left the Burris and headed for home, detouring slightly so we could drive US-26 and State Route 35, the southern part of the loop around Mount Hood, before rejoining Interstate 84. We made a brief side trip by crossing the Columbia River at Biggs and visited the Maryhill Museum of Art and a war memorial that is a replica of Stonehenge.

"We spent our last night on the road with Roz's childhood friend, college roommate, and maid of honor and her husband in Twin Falls, Idaho. While there, we visited a park on the top of the Snake River gorge and saw a person do a freebase jump. We also visited Shoshone Falls State Park in the gorge. The scenery was spectacular. It was a beautiful trip but I was glad to get home and be able to sleep in my own bed."

Note: Larry and Roz visited the "Burri" as they were affectionately called, about one month prior to John's untimely passing. More

information is reported under the Road Last Traveled item below.

Copper Canyon Train Trip: Dale Neumen sends an account of his recent train travel to Copper Canyon in late May. Due to the length of his article, I will endeavor to include it in the next issue of the QCC'er.

Earlier this summer, **Dale** stopped in to donate some more historical items to the Caltrans Museum. Thanks go to **Ralph Ricketson** who voluntarily manages the museum submissions, who assisted Dale with his items. Please note that submissions should be free from dust, mildew and vermin to be accepted, otherwise, these contaminants threaten the integrity of existing items, and may jeopardize the health of volunteers who handle the items.

Mack Hunter's daughter: Carol Huntwork reports that Mack Hunter's daughter **Lisa** is having complications from Lupus, and suggests, "I hope some of the group will contact him just to say 'Hello' and how are you and your family." The e-mail address is bjmahunter@earthlink.net

The Terminator strikes fear in the hearts of state employees: Esteemed governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, whether intending to or not, has lived up to his screen moniker, "the Terminator," as covered extensively in the media. The bad news is that temporary employees, annuitant workers, and student assistants were "formally separated," or "terminated" as some might call it, from state service in July. This has caused severe backlogs at departments that are heavily invested in this type of employee, such as the Department of Motor Vehicles. These same types of workers were also impacted at Caltrans.

Although not entirely unscathed, most Caltrans employees have so far been spared from the minimum wage requirement, having just received their normally allotted paychecks this month. Statewide Director **Will Kempton** has sent out regular notices to update the

employees on their pay status, however it has been reported that some higher level employees will be required to wait until after the budget has been delivered and signed. Let us all hope that happens sooner than later.

Be like Larry, Dale, Chuck and Carole: Our members enjoy hearing of your recent escapades, so do stay in touch. Please send your items, to: **Caltrans, attn: Kirsten Stahl, 100 South Main Street, Suite 100 MS 13, Los Angeles, CA 90012.** Phone 213-897-0470, or e-mail: kirsten.stahl@dot.ca.gov.

Don't forget to send DUES (checks) and honorary member status information, to **Leonard Thompson** directly. His address is: 3711 West 64th St. Los Angeles, CA 90043. If you send it to Kirsten, it will be delayed while she re-routes it to Len.

The Road Last Traveled: Harold Richard "Dick" Ginsberg, passed away on May 30, 2008, at his home in Rocklin following a battle with cancer. He was surrounded in his last days with the love and presence of his wife **Louise**, sisters **Margie Huber** and **Sue Fowler**, and son **Sam Trimm**. A celebration of **Dick's** life was held on June 14 at Springfield Whitney Oaks.

Rhodora Cristobal of the construction division writes that funeral services for **Edwin Charles Christine**, transportation engineer (civil), who passed away on July 7, were held July 18 at Eternal Valley Memorial Park and Mortuary, 23287 Sierra Highway, Santa Clarita.

Glenn Everett Matthews also passed away July 7 after a brief but valiant battle with brain cancer. Glenn is survived by his wife, **Dyanna**, of St. George, Utah; his son **Brett (Marti)** of Las Vegas; son **Brian (Teri)** of Chino Hills; one stepson; four stepdaughters; three grandchildren and six stepgrandchildren. A memorial service for Glenn was held on July 19 at Life Christian Fellowship, 5171 Edison Avenue, Chino. The family has requested memorials be made to Hospice: Intermountain

Homecare, 1240 East 100 South, Building. 22 #219, St. George, Utah 84790.

Laurie Crawford (widow of **Ralph Crawford**) reported the passing on July 19 of **John Burris**. Both he and Betty had been in the hospital, suffering from dehydration and malnutrition. Memorial Services for John were held on August 16, at Lane Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home in Eugene. Betty has been transferred to a nursing facility for rehabilitation, with plans to live with her son, **Skip Willmuth**, of Boseman, Montana.

Wake up! Don't forget to include a note of your activities for your QCC friends, and send them to **Kirsten**; without your news and updates, our section would be empty!

Many thanks to the multitudes who forwarded information and who were not otherwise mentioned above: **Tom Almanly III, Chuck O'Connell, Doc Maloney, and Al Reece**.

—Kirsten Stahl

The Haps in District 8

District 8 held its midsummer luncheon July 19 at The Gourmet in San Bernardino. Members and guests present were **Evie Anderson, Kirk Otteson, Jim Balcom, Morgan Choate, Gil and Jeanette Daab, John and Doris Estrada, Don and Janice Feenstra, Bill Feenstra, Les Franz, Jim and Jan Geller, Wes and Linda Grimes, Dick and Louise Haight, Pat Hennessey, Frances Jacques, Carolyn Johns, Pat Leatherbery, Frank Lehr, Stan and Ina Lisiewicz, Dick and Hazel Longstreet,**

Marsha Lotze, Gerry Lunt, Maxine Nelson, Les and Barbara Nolte, Ken Olson, daughter Carolyn Cloud, and sons, Tom and Rich, Ernie and Kay Parke, Lloyd and Alice Patterson, Virginia Reed, Floyd Salazar, Bob Sassaman, Dick Slater, Taylor and Katie Smith, Roy Smoot and Marjorie Bruhn, Ken Steele, Grace Vinzens, and Don Weaver. Everyone enjoyed the meal and visiting with friends.

Honorary membership certificates were presented to **Bill Feenstra, Carolyn Johns, Dick Longstreet, Frances Jacques, and Dick Slater.** All members enjoyed hearing from the honorees on their varied and colorful experiences with the Caltrans family. Honorary certificates are also being mailed to **Connie Sanford** in Kanab, Utah and **Russell Hall** in Douglas City, California.

Dave and Sadie Felix celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 19. Dave is a native of Corona and Sadie is from Austin, Texas. They have two sons, **Allen and Steven,** and one daughter, **Felicia Tasabia.** Dave worked for Caltrans for 37 years in construction and retired in 1998.

Bob and Ruth Bader of Highland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 4. They have daughters, **Eileen Sinnigen** and **Amber Drysdale,** and sons **Leonard** and **Robert.** Bob retired in 1992.

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Diana Barich reports that in early June she and her husband, **Jack,** made a three-week, 4,400-mile tour of the mid-central states to

storms were beginning to buffet the Midwest this year. Because of high water, they were unable to make some of the planned stops, and the boat spent one night tangled in growth along the river. Louise said the passengers and crew all headed eagerly for the local bar when they docked in Natchez!

Phillip "Buzzy" Betts passed away unexpectedly on July 26 at his home. Buzzy had been a resident of San Luis Obispo since 1945 and worked for Caltrans for 36 years before retiring as bridge crew supervisor in 2006. He was working as a retired annuitant for the Division of Maintenance, developing a training program for bridge maintenance. Buzzy enjoyed traveling and fishing, and we always looked forward to hearing about his adventures in Mexico. He is survived by his wife **Cathy**, son **Robert**, daughter, **Lori**, and three grandchildren.

Claude Law passed away on June 1 at his home in Atascadero. Claude's career with the Division of Highways began in 1952. He became a licensed surveyor in 1968 and retired in 1993. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, woodworking crosswords, and walking around Atascadero Lake with dog Tasha. Claude is survived by his wife **Lola**, daughter **Emily**, sons **Greg** and **Steve**, and six grandchildren.

The **Copelands** have both been dealing with health issues this summer that caused us to cancel our trip this fall from South Dakota to Utah. Thanks to family and friends, we made it through the ups and downs, and are looking forward to a Panama Canal cruise in January. Meanwhile, we putter around town and make an occasional foray to the casino in Santa Ynez to contribute to their expansion.

If you have news you'd like to share with other QCC readers, please drop me a note or e-mail. We'd love to hear from you.

—Kathleen Copeland

Eggs

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Marcella Marcy Cagle travels a lot and recently made trips to South Carolina (she's a Nascar fan), Las Vegas, Tennessee, Niagara Falls and Mount Rushmore. Marcella and her husband, **Roy**, are remodeling their second home in Tennessee.

Margie Hobbs has a condo on an island near Corpus Christi that had some minor hurricane damage. She'll be staying in Hemet now that she is imminently expecting a granddaughter (first) and will be visiting her in Placerville, California soon. Her son, **Mark**, is a Caltrans leadworker at South Lake Tahoe and will interview for a maintenance supervisor position shortly. Proud mother.

Diana Barich visited South Dakota for sightseeing and her school reunion (1962). She really enjoyed it and she and her husband have been working on their home and remodeling a rental they've had for years.

Sylvia Gonzalez, our most recent retiree (three months), has been just plain relaxing and enjoying retirement. She made a trip to Lake Arrowhead with friends for a great day of shopping, took the scenic boat tour and also had a one day adventure at the Mission Inn in Riverside.

Donna Rodriguez, besides being a gracious and generous hostess, enjoys babysitting her two grandchildren several times a week and plays Bunco with Marsha and friends.

Janice Feenstra keeps busy with 21 grandchildren, plays piano for singing one day a week at their school and now does a lot of painting and drawing.

Beverly Both has lunch regularly with friends who worked with her at Patton and travels to Washington State to visit family.

Erma Aldape and **Dee Ullrich Clark** also attended, are doing well, but had to leave early.

Everyone had a good time. Janice Feenstra has graciously opened her home for our next luncheon in three months.

— Marsha Lotze

The Haps in District 9

Here it is, time for another update to the newsletter from Bishop. We've received e-mails from a couple of members.

Barbara and I got an opportunity to get together with **Jim** and **Sharon West** when they stopped in Bishop for a few days to visit their daughter. **Dick** and **Patty Clark** invited us over for a barbeque with **Jim** and **Sharon**, and **Bud** and **Jerri Moody**. We drank some beer and wine with good food and good conversations about the good old days. While at the Tri-County Fair we saw **Jim Kemp** having a good time talking with his friends and acquaintances.

From **Don Belden** and **Joyce Bigham's** Panama Canal trip: "On April 21, we left Los Banos and traveled to San Pedro where we boarded the Island Princess for a 19-day cruise. We were both surprised to find most of the fellow passengers were older than 71, many of them in motorized chairs, on walkers, etc. There were only five children out of two thousand passengers.

"Our first stop was Cabo San Lucas, which we had visited several times before. The harbor area has been cleaned up and many new hotels/condos are being built. It is not a sleepy little fishing village anymore.

"Acapulco gave us a lesson in the import/export business. We saw hundreds of Nissan cars and trucks waiting on the dock for export to the South American countries. It is cheaper for the Japanese to make them in Mexico! We also played tourist and went to the flea market in old town and saw the diff divers, one who was only nine years old.

"Huatulco, Mexico is a beautiful area with lots of bays and beaches. There is a beautiful chapel right on the beach, but we learned a lesson by putting the digital camera in a bag with a bottle of Coca Cola. The Coke leaked and killed the camera!

"Our next stop was Punt Arenas, Puerto Rico that appears to be a town of about 3,000 persons built on an overgrown sandbar. The area is very poor and depressed with few vehicles, none of them new. A large old concrete warehouse we saw turned out to be the university.

"The bay outside the Panama Canal resembled a truck stop but instead of semi-trucks there were ships and freighters of all sizes, colors, and descriptions awaiting their turn to go through the canal. Since we were on a passenger ship we went to the head of the line. Of course it costs more for passenger ships to travel the canal. Our ship paid \$174,000 to transit the canal.

"There were only two feet on either side and nine feet in the front and rear of our ship in the locks so it was a tight fit. We went through half of the locks and into Guatan Lake, where we turned around and came back out the same locks. This way we didn't have to fly home from the east coast.

"The Canal Company is building a third set of locks to accommodate more ships of larger capacity, to be completed in 2014. The concept, planning, and engineering of the canal boggles your mind, especially when you consider it is almost 100 years old and the original equipment is still being used. Everything is very clean. We both agree that everyone should see the Panama

Canal once.

"Panama City has large high-rise buildings with all the brand name stores we see here in the States. Many new condos are being built for the affluent foreigners. The new area is very modern and clean but the old area looks more like a ghetto. Quite a contrast, within just a few miles.

"A picture book scene greeted us at Puerto Corinto, Nicaragua, where there was a lighthouse with surf crashing on the rocks. It was another poor area with more bicycles than cars. We even rode in one of their bicycle cabs! We watched wind turbines being loaded onto extra-long trucks and leaving the pier for an unknown destination. I would hate to be one of the truck drivers maneuvering a load like that on their poor roads.

"Saw many sea turtles in this area and also hundreds of dolphins, which put on a 20-minute show for us. Zihuatanejo-Ixtapa, Mexico showed the influence of tourist dollars as many improvements had been made to the port area, streets, etc. Even with the upscale appearance, two Corona beers with salsa and chips in a nice cafe still cost just three dollars, total.

"The local fishermen bring their boats up on the beach and spread their catch of the day out on a mat to display and sell. Modernization hasn't pervaded the area. Puerto Vallarta is undergoing a large building boom too. Again, the port area has changed completely, with room for three large cruise ships now, very clean with lots of landscaping. Freeways are wild and high rises are going up all over the place.

"WalMart and Sam's Club have moved into the once-little fishing village. Our trip was wonderful even if the weather was generally hot and humid. We were a bit shocked at how much some of the countries seemed to worship Castro, Che Guerra and Cuba, by displaying posters, shirts, etc. honoring them. It was a great trip but we were very happy to get back to the good old USA."

From **Harold and Lois Jones**: "We had a

nice visit and dinner at the Heyday restaurant in Wellington, Nevada with **Jimmy "Young Jim" Strait** and his mom and aunt recently. His dad, "**Senior Jim**" worked at Crestview and Sonora Junction yards for many years back in the late '50s, '60s, and '70s, and Jimmy followed in his footsteps. Jimmy just retired with about 33 years of service, including stints in Districts 5, 8 and 9. His last job was maintenance supervisor at Blythe (I believe). I know he worked at the Shoshone yard in District 9, and at a yard north of Santa Barbara in District 5 too. He and his mom **Ruby**—Senior Jim's widow—were visiting relatives and friends in Walker, so included us.

We hear from **Evelyn Stepler**, Fred's widow, by e-mail fairly often; she lives in Bishop on East Line Street. She seems to be getting along pretty well, and enjoys exchanging e-mails with us. We see **Joe** and **Maxine Sam** and **Ed Reilly** at our monthly Korean War Veterans Association meetings in Carson City. Joe, Ed and I all belong to the chapter there, but have about given up trying to solve all the State of California's budget woes—just so the retirees' pensions don't disappear too!

From **Harold Jones**: "Here is **Walt Dimsha's** obituary from the Reno Gazette Journal. Walt was Shop 9 machinist -- he made all kinds of stuff on the lathe, etc. in the shop for many years), so maybe you want to include it in the QCC'er.

Walter Joseph Dimsha, beloved husband and father, passed away in Reno at the age of 88 on July 19. Walter was born in Livingston, Illinois to Lithuanian immigrant parents. Walt and his wife Dolly raised their family in Bishop and became "snowbirds" after he retired from Caltrans in 1978. They spent their summers in Colville, Washington and winters in Lake Havasu City, Arizona. They moved to Sparks in 2001 to be close to their family. He is survived by **Dolly**, his wife of 63 years, and their sons, **Donald** of Harrisburg, Oregon, **Gary** and **Greg** of Sparks, brother **AL** of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and four grandchildren and five

great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held July 26 in Reno at Mountain View Cemetery.

— Lance Hinek

The Haps in District 10

Twenty-eight retirees were in attendance at the August 28 breakfast; Elton Fletcher was the breakfast winner.

Vern Dorsch was a combat medic in the 44th Infantry Division of the 114th Regiment of the 7th Army, which served in France during the battle of the bulge.

Vern writes, "We soon learned to dig foxholes but sometimes we moved so often that we only had time for a hole a foot or so deep. Anything to keep us below the ground surface and protect us from shrapnel.

One night we were out without sleeping bags and I remember my buddy **Bill Mockby** (an Indian from New Mexico) and I were trying to keep warm in a shallow hole with snow falling. It was so cold I welcomed my teeth chattering hoping it would help to keep my blood circulating. I don't know how we survived but I also remember lying there and watching the shells and machine gun fire overhead.

"At night, tracer bullets make an awesome spectacle. We also got good at knowing whether it was German 88 shells or other types such as the gun that sent out about six shells in rapid succession and made an eerie sound. We called them screaming meemies. You could hear them coming several seconds before they hit.

"Our first casualty was a soldier whose stomach was ripped wide open. I, as a medic, and three others put him on a stretcher and took

him back to our aid station. He was conscious and happy to be so soon out of the war. I don't know if he lived or died, as once the wounded were taken to an aid station and then back to rear echelon hospitals, we lost contact completely.

"As we gradually pushed the German army eastward toward the Rhine, we found it questionable whether or not the native French people favored our presence in their country. One can understand their concern not knowing how well we might treat them and also seeing how their homes were often destroyed or taken over by invading forces. (Imagine the same thing happening in this country) At any rate we often suspected that French people behind German lines were directing shellfire at us.

"Actually, we seldom saw French people because they seemed to disperse into wooded areas away from the front line positions. In one instance a large shell came directly through the window of an old storefront where we had an aid station set up, killing many of our medics and wounded soldiers who were waiting for transport to rear echelon hospitals. We assumed that the shell had been pinpointed and directed by someone in the local vicinity.

"Another time, we had an aid station in an old farmhouse and I, along with a few others, was sleeping in the upstairs. Late that night I awoke to hear this screaming shell coming our way. By the grace of God it hit the stone wall right outside where I was sleeping and did not explode. We heard a loud thump and then a clank as it fell to the stone driveway below. In the morning we saw it was an 88 shell, which could have killed quite a few of us. Perhaps credit for duds like that should go to munitions workers in Poland, Austria or other localities in Europe where the workers were not favorable to the Germans (especially Poland)."

Note: Vern's recollections will continue to appear in future editions of the QCCer.

— Brian Young

The Haps in District 11

By the time you read this QCCer the annual picnic will be over. Safe to say all will have had a great time. The picnic was directed by Kathy **Phillips** and **Gary Darr** and the very able cooks, **Denny Paquin**, **Leslie Franklin** and **Marty Phillips**.

Butch Biendara provided some new and interesting ways to increase attendance at our QCC events. **Fleet Palmer** provided some great pictures, taken during the last few years, of attendees at the Romeo's breakfast and retirement parties. Butch had copies for those in the pictures.

Our next event is the Annual QCC dinner at Tom Ham's on Thursday evening, January 15, 2009. Tom Ham's has a new menu and the sit-down dinner will be special this year. Mark your calendar!

Received a call on August 30 from **Cathy Groben**, who is now in Evansville, Indiana. She says "Hello" to everyone and that she is very happy she made the move. Her address is: Cathy Groben, Willow Park, 5050 Lincoln Avenue, Apartment 114, Evansville, Indiana, 47715. Her new phone number is: (812) 971-9319. Cathy has been a long time helper at QCC events. I will miss her assistance at the dinner and picnic.

We are still waiting for a volunteer to assume the district QCC director's position and that of a Que See Seer correspondent.

— Dean Burns and Butch Biendara

The Haps in Central

Gary and **Julie Bush** report that the Central District held its fall barbecue on

September 11 at the College Greens Swim and Racquet Club.

Central district will hold its annual Christmas Luncheon **December 3** at the Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Sacramento.

Gene Berthelsen has been busy this summer with his Catsjammer Jazz Band, playing in Redding and Graeagle and a number of local engagements. He's also busy planning for the 36th annual Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, for which he serves as Executive Director.

— Gary and Julie Bush

Foundation Matters

The 8th Annual CTF Charity Golf Tournament held August 12 was a rousing success with approximately 100 players enjoying the day on one of California's great golf courses with friends and colleagues. The event raised \$30 thousand for the **Workers Assistance and Memorial Fund**, which provides financial grants to transportation workers in crisis. A special thanks goes to those participating: the players, sponsors, and especially the **volunteers** who helped to make the event such a success.

For those interested in the foundation's **Scholarship Program** to establish new grants, now is the time. The foundation provides scholarships in cooperation with Caltrans districts or divisions by administering endowed programs or, in a few instances, by direct grants. In addition to cooperative programs at Caltrans, **families or groups** may decide to establish a scholarship program in memory of a loved one or to honor a transportation individual. Eligible students are either graduating high school seniors or college students interested in careers in transportation.

In 2007, 62 awards totaling nearly \$50,000 were provided. Of this amount, about 80 percent of the grant money was contributed to the foundation by sponsoring groups or was income from endowed programs administered by CTF. By the end of August, \$32,000 in grants had been awarded.

New scholarship programs are added each year. In 2007, CTF created an annual \$5,000 scholarship available to California university students, majoring in transportation-related fields, who are selected to attend the yearly CTF Transportation Education Symposium. This year, an additional \$5,000 annual award was established in honor of **Heinz Heckeroth**, the foundation's founder. An annual endowment, titled CTC Student Scholarship, has been established in recognition of the **California Transportation Commission (CTC)** members' commitment and guidance to California's transportation system for the last 30 years.

If you are interested in more information on the scholarships or in establishing a program, please contact Heinz Heckeroth at 916-453-1767 or at hhheckeroth@sbcglobal.net. When visiting the foundation's website (www.transportationfoundation.org), click on the "Scholarships" link listed on the left side of the web page for additional information.

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathy to family members and loved ones of our fallen colleagues

Name	District	Date
Millie Harron	01	July 11 2008
Bob Wilcox	01	June 2008
Darrell McWhirk	03	July 28 2008
Dee Yaeger	03	2008
Pidenciano L Garcia	04	Jul 06 2008
Marion Louise Stokely	04	Jun 12 2008
Donald McFadin	04	Jun 04 2008
Ralph Toy	04	July 2008
Phillip Betts	05	July 26 2008
Claude Law	05	June 1 2008
Grace Aitken	06	July 24 2008
Perry Anderson	06	August 15, 2008
Hazel Said	06	August 3 2008
John Burris	07	July 19 2008
Edwin Charles Christine	07	July 7 2008
Glen Everett Matthews	07	July 7 2008
Beverly Hines	08	July 20, 2008
John Wheeler	08	June 26, 2008
Walt Dimsha	09	July 22 2008
Andy Moffat	11	Jul 07 2008
Gene Watson	11	Jul 08 2008
Bill Bethel	Cen	2008
Helen Graham	Cen	2008

Events

**Got a group that meets regularly?
Let your editor know and we'll add
it to the event calendar.**

District 1 -

CT retired ladies, second Thursday of each month at 12:30 pm at various locations.
Contact: Marilyn Hernandez at (707) 442-1135 or e-mail ahartin@cox.net

Ret'd Highwaymen and Road Agents meets on the 3rd Thursday of the months of January, April, July,

and October at 11:35 am at the Hometown Buffet at the Bayshore Mall in Eureka

District 2 -

Retired folks meet on the 3rd Monday of each month between 7:30 and 9 am at the District Office snack bar at 1657 Riverside Drive Redding

October 2nd or 3rd 2008 – Fall Luncheon.
October 9. Contact: Shirley Shoup, 530-365-2191, wil-shirl@juno.com or Diane Tomicich, 530-243-4908, dtomicich@charternet

District 3 -

Weekly Tuesday Coffee/Breakfast at 8:30 am at the "Green House" in the Raley's Shopping Center in Placerville.
Contact: Keith Maggini 530-295-1257, kmaggini@hotmail.com

Breakfast at Perko's Yuba City at 7:00 am third Wednesday of every month.

Autumn Lunch, Thursday, Sep 18 2008, 2:30 pm at the Green House Café in Raley's Shopping Center, Placerville. Contacts:
Doug Becker 530-622-1665 or
Gerald Hamm 530-622-8030

District 4

The **Caltrans Lunch Bunch** meets on the second Tuesday of every month.
Contact: Ed Coble 925-645-4219, edcoble49@astound.net

The **North Bay Caltrans Retirees** meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.
Contact: Jim Bouler 707-546-3097, jbouler@comcast.net

District 5 -

Contact Kathy Copeland: 805-544-1834
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District 6 -

The **Caltrans Retiree Breakfast** meets at 9:00 am on the third Wednesday in March and September at the Olive Tree Restaurant at the intersection of Route 65 and Hermosa in Lindsay. *Contact: Ralph Tritch 559-535-4295*

Informal Coffee at 8 am on Thursdays at Country Waffles at the NW corner of Herndon and Cedar.

District 7 -

The **Monthly Luncheon Club** meets on the second Wednesday of the month in Los Angeles. *Contact: Tom Gildersleeve, 661-259-6226, tgilders@pacbell.net; or Chuck O'Connell, 661-253-3428, chuckoconnell@prodigy.net*

District 8 -

Christmas Luncheon, Saturday, Dec 6th, 2008, 12 noon at The Gourmet on Highland Ave, San Bernardino. *Contact: Marsha Lotze, 760-247-2119, m1otze12@verizon.net*

District 9 -

Contact: Lance Hinek, (619) 873-3885, hinek@usamedia.tv

District 10 -

Lenny's Huddle meets at 7:30 am on the last Tuesday of the month at Denny's, I-5 and March Lane in Stockton. *Contact: Stan Randolph, 209-957-1278, stanran3672@aol.com*

District 11 -

ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out) meets at Denny's, Navajo Road at Fletcher Parkway at 8:30 am the third Wednesday of every month. *Contact: Butch Biendara, 858-279-5054, butchbiendaral944@hotmail.com*

Annual Dinner Thursday, Jan 15, 2009 at Tom Ham's Lighthouse, 2150 Harbor Island Drive, San Diego. Social hour 5-6 pm, with dinner to follow.

Contact: Dean Burns, 619-448-6728, dean.burns@cox.net

Central District -

Christmas Luncheon, Dec 3, 2008. Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd, Sacramento. Social Hour - 11 am, Lunch at Noon. *Contact: Gary Bush, 530-642-8208, zbusharosa@wildblue.net*

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SPENCER V CORTELYOU	1941	HARRY E RHUD	1963	GEORGE LANGSNER	1982
LESTER H GIBSON	1942	A W "JOE" HISLOP	1964	RALPH A LEJONHED	1983
R H STALNAKER	1943	R I NICHOLSON	1965	MARIAN SMITH	1984
FRED T MADDOCKS	1944	DWIGHT J MORROW	1966	TAYLOR SMITH	1985-86
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GEORGE HANSON	1946	ARTHUR PINE	1968	FRED L JACKSON	1988
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THOMAS H DENNIS		FRANK M ROUSH	1970	HOWARD H HOOVER	1991-92
F W HAZELWOOD		U H "FINN" ERICKSON	1971	JAMES L LARSON	1993
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