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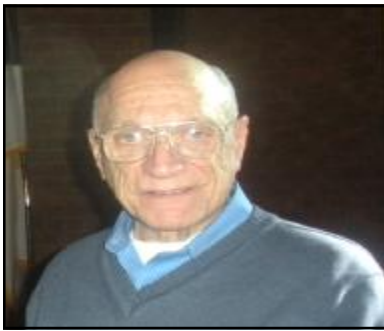
Happy Hanukkah

Merry Christmas

Happy Kwanza

Calendar of Events

December 12, 2013 - Mike Bruckner, President of Professional Adjustment Corporation, will talk about the Affordable Health Care Act.
January 9, 2014 - Sue Walla will speak about 2013 & 2014 Tax filing and planning tips.



President’s Message

On October 21st Joe Campbell, Vice President of UBBRG, passed away. Although faced with personal (health) problems, Joe was ever present at Executive and General Meetings, helping to make decisions in the operation of the Group. Joe also took on the task of arranging for General Meeting Guest Speakers. A task requiring phone calls, emails and patience. Joe retired in 1992 after 30 years as a System Analyst. He passed on his experience by teaching children computer operation. Joe will surely be missed by all that he touched. I will be among that group. Joe, Rest in Peace.

Joe LaViola, President UBBRG



MEMBERSHIP ALERT

The December issue will be the final issue for 146 members who last paid dues for 2009, 2010 or 2011. To continue your membership, send a check for \$7 to bring your dues current through 2014! Make checks payable to: UBBRG, and mail to Jerry Feldscher, 1610 Northview Blvd., Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. Please send the completed membership application form on page 11 with your checks. To see when your dues were last paid, check the following: If you receive NEWSBITS by postal service, the last year your dues were paid is printed on the address label, following your name. If you receive NEWSBITS by email, find your name in the attached excel file. Next to your name is the last year your dues were paid. If you're unsure what year your dues are paid up to, you can call Jerry (610-275-3538).

Jerry Feldscher

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50/50 Drawings

We have a 50/50 drawing at every monthly meeting. Here is how it works: Tickets are sold to attendees at the beginning of each meeting and a drawing for the winning ticket is held immediately following our guest speaker. Two tickets cost \$1.00 and six (6) tickets cost \$2.00. Half of the proceeds go to the holder of the winning ticket and the other half goes into our treasury to help defray the cost to rent our meeting space at the church in the Plymouth Meeting Mall.



Ann LaViola (from left) and **Marie Staub** will be happy to sell you as many tickets as you want. They will be seated at their concession table, at the church entrance, to take your offerings. The following were our winner's:

September's winner of the 50/50 drawing was John Hasson.

October's 50/50 winner was John Hasson.

November's 50/50 winner was Jack Staub.

Monthly Meeting Guest Speakers

September's guest speaker was Brett Grossman who is a Senior Advisor for Securus. Brett spoke about expenses incurred for funerals and possible other death costs and



what we should have on hand in liquid assets at that time.

October's guest speaker was Leona K. De Ceglia LLC. She explained changes in the Health Care laws and their impact on many of us. Leona is a general agent for her own insurance company.



November's guest speaker was Wendi Damiani, Blue Bell Branch Manager of Genisys Credit Union.



Wendi spoke about the advantages of belonging to a credit union. She also talked about the importance of having a good credit score. The following helps to explain credit scores:

1. What Makes Up your Score?
 - 35% = Based on payment history (i.e. on-time pays or delinquencies)
 - More weight on current pay history
 - 30% = Capacity (capacity is King)
 - 15% = Length of credit
 - 10% = Accumulation of debt in the last 12-18 months
 - # of inquiries
 - Opening dates
 - 10% = Mix of credit
 - Installment (can raise) vs. revolving (can lower)
 - Finance company loans-They can lower your score

Monthly Meeting Guest Speakers (continued from page2)

2. How Can you Improve your Score?

- Payoff or pay down on your credit cards
- Do not close credit cards because capacity may decrease
- Move your revolving debt into installment debt
- Continue to make payments on time (older late pays will become less significant with time)
- Slow down on opening new accounts
- Acquire a solid credit history with years of experience

3. What Actions Will Hurt your Score?

- Missing payments (regardless of \$ amounts ... It can take 24 months
- to restore credit with one late payment)
- Credit cards at capacity (i.e. maxing out credit cards)
- Shopping for credit excessively
- Opening up numerous trades in a short time frame
- Having more revolving debts in relation to installment debts
- Closing credit cards out (this could lower available capacity)
- Borrowing from finance companies

4. What Does Not Affect your Score?

- Debt ratios
- Income
- Length of residence
- Length of employment

5. Approximate Credit Weight for Each Year:

- 40% = Current to 12 months
- 30% = 13-24 months
- 20% = 25-36 months
- 10% = 37+ months

Letters to the Editor

Attention all Members!!

Please share with us any information that you would like to be printed in NEWSBITS. This information perhaps could be a recent vacation trip, a relocation, health, birthday, anniversary or even something sad as the case may be.

Contributions to NEWSBITS for *Letters to the Editor* should be sent to:

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From Bill McQuade - I am in receipt of the quarterly NEWSBITS for Unisys Retirees and regret to inform you that my father, Samuel F. McQuade, has passed away. I know that Dad enjoyed this quarterly publication and keeping up with the "goings on" and he would not want you spending any more money than necessary on mailing. Dad was proud of his 27 years service to Sperry then Unisys and enjoyed his time there tremendously. Dad developed friendships that lasted a life time. Thanks,

Bill McQuade

From Carl Cutrone - 333 Wheatfield Circle, Hatfield, PA. - Thank you for all your good works with our organization. I'd like to add some news for our NEWSBITS: Carl Cutrone and his family are doing well. Carl and Carol reside in Hatfield Borough and Carl often runs into fellow Unisys retirees at our local Giant Supermarket where we clog the aisles reminiscing about the good or bad days. Carl still works full time as an agent with Allstate Insurance and Carol remains as a "Peak Tapper" the dance group associated with the Peak Center in Lansdale. In addition to his contacts posted in the Unisys retirees list Carl may also be reached during daytime at 215-245-8445. Say hello once in a while. Thank you. Regards, *Carl*

From Phyllis M. Hubert, 90 Stuart's Keep A.C. 25 Haines Road, East Norriton, PA. - Hi: NEWSBITS is really, really good. I enjoy the jokes.

Phyllis Hubert

From Anna R. Fitzkee - Millard died January 2, 2013. Thank you for the organization. He enjoyed reading the letters you sent. Thank you,

Anna R. Fitzkee

On the Lighter Side

Two Babies

A man was carrying 2 babies, one in each arm, while waiting for a train. A woman upon seeing those 2 cute babies asked the man, "Aren't they cute, what are their names?" The man giving the lady an angry look replied, "I don't know." The lady then asked, "Are they boys or girls?" The man looking angrier than before replied "I don't know." The woman then started to scold the man, "What kind of a father are you?". The man replied, "I am not their father, I am just a condom salesman and these are the 2 complaints that I am taking back to my company."

Lost Husband

A woman reported the disappearance of her husband to the police. The officer looked at the guy's photograph, questioned her, and then asked if she wanted to give her husband any message if they found him. "Yes, please" she replied. "Tell him Mother didn't come after all." (continued on page 4)

On the Lighter Side (continued from page 3)

Tickets Please

Three engineers and three accountants are traveling by train to a conference. At the station, the three accountants each buy tickets and watch as the three engineers buy only a single ticket. "How are three people going to travel on only one ticket?" asks an accountant. "Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer. All of them board the train. The accountants take their respective seats but all three engineers cram into a restroom and close the door behind them. Shortly after the train has departed, the conductor comes around collecting tickets. He knocks on the restroom door and says, "Ticket, please." The door opens just a crack and a single arm emerges with a ticket in hand. The conductor takes it and moves on. The accountants saw this and agreed it was a clever idea. So after the conference, the accountants decide to copy the engineers on the return trip and save some money. When they get to the station they buy a single ticket for the return trip. To their astonishment, the engineers don't buy a ticket at all. "How are you going to travel without a ticket?" says one perplexed accountant. "Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer. When they board the train the three accountants cram into a restroom and the three engineers cram into another one nearby. The train departs. Shortly afterward, one of the engineers leaves his restroom and walks over to the restroom where the accountants are hiding. He knocks on the door and says, "Ticket, please."

Hunting Flies

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter.

'What are you doing?' She asked.

'Hunting Flies' He responded.

'Oh. ! Killing any?' She asked.

'Yep, 3 males, 2 Females,' he replied.

Intrigued, she asked. 'How can you tell them apart?'

He responded, '3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone.'

Just another senior moment

I was at a store late the other night.... Last customer... Cute girl at the register said... "strip down, facing me".... You would have thought it would have dawned on me that she was talking about swiping my credit card... The good news... bail was not nearly as expensive as I thought it would be!

Paraprosdokians

(Winston Churchill loved them) are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected; frequently humorous.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right - only who is left..
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. They begin the evening news with 'Good Evening,' then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
9. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
10. Buses stop in bus stations. Trains stop in train stations. On my desk is a work station.
11. I thought I wanted a career. Turns out I just wanted paychecks.
12. In filling out an application, where it says, 'In case of emergency, notify:' I put 'DOCTOR.'
13. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
14. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
15. Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
16. A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory.
17. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need parachute to skydive twice.
18. Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
19. There's a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.
20. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
21. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
22. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
23. Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
24. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
25. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car. Amen.
26. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but its getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

Avoid Being a Victim

Subject: WRITTEN BY A COP (sometimes being a little paranoid is not a bad thing. Everyone should take 5 minutes to read this. It may save your life or a loved one's life.

1. Tip from Tae Kwon Do:

The elbow is the strongest point on your body. If you are close enough to use it, do!

2. Learned this from a tourist guide. If a robber asks for your wallet and/or purse, DO NOT HAND IT TO HIM.

Toss it away from you. Chances are that he is more interested in your wallet and/or purse than you, and he will go for the wallet/purse. RUN LIKE MAD IN THE OTHER DIRECTION!

3. If you are ever thrown into the trunk of a car, kick out the back tail lights and stick your arm out the hole and start waving like crazy..The driver won't see you, but everybody else will. This has saved lives.

4. Women have a tendency to get into their cars after shopping, eating, working, etc., and just sit (doing their checkbook, or making a list, etc. DON'T DO THIS!) The predator will be watching you, and this is the perfect opportunity for him to get in on the passenger side, put a gun to your head, and tell you where to go.

AS SOON AS YOU GET INTO YOUR CAR, LOCK THE DOORS AND LEAVE..

If someone is in the car with a gun to your head DO NOT DRIVE OFF, Repeat: DO NOT DRIVE OFF! Instead gun the engine and speed into anything, wrecking the car. Your Air Bag will save you.

If the person is in the back seat they will get the worst of it.

As soon as the car crashes bail out and run. It is better than having them find your body in a remote location.

5. A few notes about getting into your car in a parking lot, or parking garage:

A.) Be aware: look around you, look into your car, at the passenger side floor, and in the back seat.

B.) If you are parked next to a big van, enter your car from the passenger door. Most serial killers attack their victims by pulling them into their vans while the women are attempting to get into their cars.

C.) Look at the car parked on the driver's side of your vehicle, and the passenger side..If a male is sitting alone in the seat nearest your car, you may want to walk back into the mall, or work, and get a guard/policeman to walk you back out. IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY. (And better paranoid than dead.)

6. ALWAYS take the elevator instead of the stairs. Stairwells are horrible places to be alone and the perfect crime spot. (This is especially true at NIGHT!)

7. If the predator has a gun and you are not under his control, ALWAYS RUN! The predator will only hit you (a running target) 4 in 100 times; and even then, it most likely WILL NOT be a vital organ. RUN, Preferably in a zig-zag pattern!

8. As women, we are always trying to be sympathetic: STOP It may get you raped, or killed. Ted Bundy, the serial killer, was a good-looking, well educated man, who ALWAYS played on the sympathies of unsuspecting women. He walked with a cane, or a limp, and often asked 'for help' into his vehicle or with his vehicle, which is when he abducted his next victim.

9. Another Safety Point: Someone just told me that her friend heard a crying baby on her porch the night before last, and she called the police because it was late and she thought it was weird.. The police told her 'Whatever you do, DO NOT open the door..'The lady then said that it sounded like the baby had crawled near a window, and she was worried that it would crawl to the street and get run over. The policeman said, 'We already have a unit on the way, whatever you do, DO NOT open the door.' He told her that they think a serial killer has a baby's cry recorded and uses it to coax women out of their homes thinking that someone dropped off a baby.. He said they have not verified it, but have had several calls by women saying that they hear baby's cries outside their doors when they're home alone at night.

10. Water scam! If you wake up in the middle of the night to hear all your taps outside running or what you think is a burst pipe, DO NOT GO OUT TO INVESTIGATE! These people turn on all your outside taps full blast so that you will go out to investigate and then attack. Stay alert, keep safe, and look out for your neighbors!

Interesting Things to know

In the 1400's a law was set forth in England that a man was allowed to beat his wife with a stick no thicker than his thumb.

Hence we have 'the rule of thumb'

Many years ago in Scotland , a new game was invented. It was ruled 'Gentlemen Only...Ladies Forbidden'.. and thus, the word GOLF entered into the English language.

The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV was Fred and Wilma Flintstone

Coca-Cola was originally green.

It is impossible to lick your elbow.

The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$10,120.00

The first novel ever written on a typewriter, Tom Sawyer.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

Spades - King David

Hearts - Charlemagne

Clubs -Alexander, the Great

Diamonds - Julius Caesar

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If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.

If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of wounds received in battle.

If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes

Q.. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter 'A'?

A. One thousand

Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers have in common?

A. All were invented by women.

Q. What is the only food that doesn't spoil?

A. Honey

In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes, the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase...'Goodnight , sleep tight'

It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago

that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

WD-40 and It's Uses

Protects silver from tarnishing.

2) Removes road tar and grime from cars.

3) Cleans and lubricates guitar strings.

4) Gives floors that `just-waxed` sheen without making it slippery.

5) Keeps flies off cows.

6) Restores and cleans chalkboards.

7) Removes lipstick stains.

8) Loosens stubborn zippers.

9) Untangles jewelry chains.

10) Removes stains from stainless steel sinks.

11) Removes dirt and grime from the barbecue grill.

12) Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.

13) Removes tomato stains from clothing.

14) Keeps glass shower doors free of water spots.

15) Camouflages scratches in ceramic and marble floors.

16) Keeps scissors working smoothly.

17) Lubricates noisy door hinges on vehicles and doors in homes

18) It removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor!

19) Remove bug guts on your car 's finish.

20) Gives a children's play gym slide a shine for a super fast slide.

21) Lubricates gear shift on lawn mowers.

22) Rids kids rocking chairs and swings of squeaky noises.

23) Lubricates tracks in sticking home windows and makes them easier to open.

24) Spraying an umbrella stem makes it easier to open and close.

25) Restores and cleans padded leather dashboards in vehicles, well as vinyl bumpers.

26) Restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles.

27) Lubricates and stops squeaks in electric fans.

28) Lubricates wheel sprockets on tricycles, wagons, and bicycles for easy handling.

29) Lubricates fan belts on washers and dryers and keeps them running smoothly.

30) Keeps rust from forming on saws and saw blades, and other tools.

31) Removes splattered grease on stove.

32) Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging.

33) Lubricates prosthetic limbs.

34) Keeps pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell).

35) Removes all traces of duct tape.

36) Folks even spray it on their arms, hands, and knees to relieve arthritis pain

37) Florida's favorite use 'Cleans and removes love bugs from grills and bumpers.'

38) Protects the Statue of Liberty from the elements.

39) WD-40 attracts fish. Spray a LITTLE on live bait or lures and you will be catching the big one in no time.

40) Ant bites.

Federal Government Problems

By Charlie Reese

Politicians are the only people in the world who create problems and then campaign against them.

Have you ever wondered, if both the Democrats and the Republicans are against deficits, WHY do we have deficits?

Have you ever wondered, if all the politicians are against inflation and high taxes, WHY do we have inflation and high taxes?

You and I don't propose a federal budget. The president does.

You and I don't have the Constitutional authority to vote on appropriations. The House of representatives does.

You and I don't write the tax code, Congress does.

You and I don't set fiscal policy, Congress does.

You and I don't control monetary policy, the Federal Reserve Bank does.

One hundred senators, 435 congressmen, one president, and nine Supreme Court justices, 545 human beings out of the 300 million are directly, legally, morally, and individually responsible for the domestic problems that plague this country.

I excluded the members of the Federal Reserve Board because that problem was created by the Congress. In 1913, Congress delegated its Constitutional duty to provide a sound currency to a federally chartered, but private, central bank.

I excluded all the special interests and lobbyists for a sound reason. They have no legal authority. They have no ability to coerce a senator, a congressman, or a president to do one cotton-picking thing. I don't care if they offer a politician \$1 million dollars in cash. The politician has the power to accept or reject it. No matter what the lobbyist promises, it is the legislator's responsibility to determine how he votes.

Those 545 human beings spend much of their energy convincing you that what they did is not their fault. They cooperate in this common con regardless of party. What separates a politician from a normal human being is an excessive amount of gall. No normal human being would have the gall of a Speaker, who stood up and criticized the President for creating deficits. The president can only propose a budget. He cannot force the Congress to

accept it.

The Speaker of the House and fellow House members, not the president, can approve any budget they want. If the president vetoes it, they can pass it over his veto if they agree to.

It seems inconceivable to me that a nation of 300 million can not replace 545 people who stand convicted -- by present facts -- of incompetence and irresponsibility. I can't think of a single domestic problem that is not traceable directly to those 545 people. When you fully grasp the plain truth that 545 people exercise the power of the federal government, then it must follow that what exists is what they want to exist.

If the tax code is unfair, it's because they want it unfair.

If the budget is in the red, it's because they want it in the red ..

If they do not receive social security but are on an elite retirement plan not available to the people, it's because they want it that way.

There are no insoluble government problems.

Do not let these 545 people shift the blame to bureaucrats, whom they hire and whose jobs they can abolish; to lobbyists, whose gifts and advice they can reject; to regulators, to whom they give the power to regulate and from whom they can take this power. Above all, do not let them con you into the belief that there exists disembodied mystical forces like "the economy," "inflation," or "politics" that prevent them from doing what they take an oath to do.

Those 545 people, and they alone, are responsible.

They, and they alone, have the power.

They, and they alone, should be held accountable by the people who are their bosses. Provided the voters have the gumption to manage their own employees.

We should vote all of them out of office and clean up their mess!

Charlie Reese is a former columnist of the Orlando Sentinel News paper.

Final Resting Place Consideration (ha-ha)

An elderly woman decided to prepare her will and told her preacher she had two final requests. First, she wanted to be cremated, and second, she wanted her ashes scattered over Wal-Mart.

'Wal-Mart?' the preacher exclaimed. Why Wal-Mart?'

'Then I'll be sure my daughters will visit me twice a week'

Letters to the Editor

**From Guadalupe Robles, 252 W. 1600 N, Layton, UT, -
Robles China Trip**

Angie and I had the great pleasure of touring China this fall. It was a 2 week tour of visiting the sights in Beijing, Xian, and Shanghai. While in Beijing, we visited Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, and the Emperor's Summer Palace. Quite a sight with so many Chinese waiting to see Mao's tomb and the other local sights. We climbed a portion of the Great Wall of China and were in awe by all those sights. That was quite a climb! In Xian, we visited many local sights including the place of the Terracotta Army, with 8000 finely sculpted life-size soldiers and horses. They were still being put together since they were destroyed many years ago. The air pollution was bad in those 2 cities but it cleared up when we got to Shanghai. What a modern city with sky scrapers throughout. Seems like a hundred NYC. The sights there were short of spectacular, especially at night when everything was all lit up. The traffic was horrendous, full of Lexus, BMWs, and expensive cars. The locals drive fast and furious among the bikes, motorcycles, and people trying to cross streets. Seemed more like a video game to us. We enjoyed the Chinese hospitality, food and friendliness throughout the visit. We also enjoyed the many shows and dinners, all with the local taste included. All in all, it was a great experience. By the way, I have been diagnosed with lung cancer and am now in chemo treatment. I have no symptoms and this problem was found during my annual physical exam. I am active as ever and we have reasons to be optimistic. This will be a new lifestyle for us but should not limit us to do the things we normal do. Until next time.....

Angie & Lupe Robles



BBNEWS Web Site

The BBNEWS web site is now including Retiree information (Trips & Speakers) and even a link to our web site.

WEBSITE (URL) ubbrg.org

Retirees Meetings

Meetings are every second Thursday of the month, except for July and August, at 1:30 - 3 PM. The meeting place is at The Church on the Mall, which is located in the rear of the Mall (Plymouth Meeting), adjacent to the Food Court.

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Obituaries

JOSEPH CAMPBELL SR.



Joseph R. Campbell, Sr., 77, of Lansdale, died Monday, October 21, 2013 at Abington Health Lansdale Hospital. Unbeknownst to many, Joe had been in failing health. Born in Philadelphia, Mr. Campbell was the son of the late Elmer and Regina Campbell. He has lived in Lansdale since 1964 and was formerly from Northeast Philadelphia.

Mr. Campbell graduated from Resurrection Elementary School, Saint Joseph Prep and St. Joseph College. He worked for 30 years at *Unisys in Blue Bell* as a computer systems analyst, retiring in 1992. Mr. Campbell also taught computer sciences at St. Stanislaus and St. Rose of Lima Elementary schools.

He was a member of the Unisys Retirees Group and enjoyed photography. Mr. Campbell was an active devoted member of St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Lansdale where he served as a Eucharistic Minister and has been the President of the St. Stanislaus Senior Citizens for many years. He was also a long-time volunteer at the annual Summer Festival.

Joe's quick-wit, timing, and lightheartedness often would take you off guard with his dry sense of humor. He will be missed by many.

Surviving is his wife of 57 years, Gloria G. Stefanowicz Campbell; his son Joseph R. Campbell, Jr. of Lansdale and two granddaughters Ashley and Kacey Campbell and his sister Regina Blum. Mr. Campbell was preceded in death by his son Christopher V. Campbell in December, 2009.

Joe was a member of the Unisys Blue Bell Retirees Group.

LOIS KLINGERMAN

Lois M. (Heller) Klingerman, 82, wife of the late Samuel R. Klingerman, Sr., died Thursday, Oct. 31 at Phoenixville Hospital. She was a longtime resident of Blue Bell, prior to residing at Parkhouse, Providence Pointe, Upper Providence.

Mrs. Klingerman was born on June 28, 1931, in Hazleton, and was the daughter of the late Charles and Anna (Schade) Heller. She was a graduate of Hazleton High School. In addition to being a homemaker, Mrs. Klingerman worked at *Sperry Univac, Blue Bell*, and was a retired food service manager for the Wissahickon School District.

After her retirement, she enjoyed fishing with her husband and spending time with her family. Mrs. Klingerman was an active member of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. She was also a former member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, E. Norriton. Mrs. Klingerman is survived by her four children, Ruth, wife of Howard Frazier, Trappe, Karen Ricco, Colledgeville, Samuel Jr., husband of Lyn (Brozowski), Blue Bell, and Wendy, wife of Edward Leinhauser, Colledgeville; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister Elsie Williams.

Lois was a member of the Unisys Blue Bell Retirees Group.

HELENE M. AMBS

Helene M. Ambs, 81, of Bayonet Point, Florida, passed away Oct. 21, 2013. Born in Philadelphia, she entered the Sister Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM). She later left the community, but continued to teach until she found a position with *Unisys Corporation* in the Product Information Department in Tredyffrin, PA. Eventually she became a Director within the company. She is lovingly remembered by her two brothers, Frederick and Joseph Ambs; four nieces, four nephews, and long-time friend, Julie Gabell.

Helene was not a member of the Unisys Blue Bell Retirees Group

Obituaries (continued from page 9)

EDWARD ROSS

Edward E. Ross, 85 of Blue Bell PA, died Monday October 28, 2013 in the Mercy Suburban Hospital in Norristown after a brief illness. Born in Tonawanda, NY, the son of Charles and Laura Ross. Ed was a graduate of Tonawanda High School class of 1946 and received an associate degree in Cost Accounting in 1958.

In 1946 Ed started his career with *Remington Rand* on the production line and in 1956 moved to the Accounting Department in Buffalo, NY. During this time, Remington Rand bought the Eckert Mauchly Company and was Remington Rand Univac. Through the years there were many name changes, Univac, Sperry Rand Univac, Sperry Rand, Univac and *Unisys*. Ed retired in February of 1992 from the Blue Bell Office where he had moved in 1965. After retiring from Unisys, he worked at Office Manager for the Centre Square Fire Company from 1996 to 2002.

Ed was a life member of the National Hose Company and Tonawanda Exempt Volunteer Fireman's Association of Tonawanda, NY and the Centre Square Fire Company in Blue Bell, where he served as President of the Company and Relief Association. In addition Ed served as an Assistant Fire Chief and Captain of the Fire Police.

Over the years he has received the following awards - Fire Police Award 1991, Fire Chiefs Award 1991, President's Award, Appreciation Award 2002, and Life Time Recognition Award 2007. In addition he received the Montgomery County Fire Police District Award in 2006, Montgomery Fire Training School Recognition Award in 1976 and a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania House of Representatives Citation in 2007. Chief Ross was a member of the Montgomery County Fire Chief's Aid Association, Firemen's Association State of Pennsylvania, Keystone State Fire Chiefs Association, Montgomery County Fireman's Association where he served as President in 1971 and Delaware Valley Judges Association.

Ed is survived by his wife of 64 years Shirley L. (Heimgartner) Ross; his daughter Robin L. McCarthy and her husband Bernie of Lansdale; and his son Jay E. Ross and his wife Maureen of Ambler. He is the loving grandfather of four; great-grandfather of five and brother of the late Donald Ross.

Ed was a member of the Unisys Blue Bell Retirees Group.

In Remembrance

HELENE M. AMBS – October 23, 2013

WALTER ASHE – November 25, 2023

WILLIAM BERGE – November 7, 2013

EDWIN I. BLUMENTHAL - November 17, 2013

H. BRUCE BROWN - August 14, 2010

FRANCIS A. BURNS – October 23, 2013

JOSEPH R. CAMPBELL, SR. - October 21, 2013

HARLAN JEROME COOPER – October 22, 2013

Edward DEBROVOLC – October 10, 2013

FRANK M. DELANEY - April 8, 2013

GEORGE E. FARRINGTON- October 7, 2013

JOHN P. FEDYK - ???

GLENWOOD W. FIELDING – October 6, 2013

MILLARD FITZKEE - January 2, 2013

BOB FURNISH – September 13, 2013

GOODROW A. GILBERT Jr. – October 12, 2013

LAWRENCE GILLIGAN - June 11, 2011

LOIS KLINGERMAN - October 31, 2013 (widow of Samuel R. Klingerman)

JOHN D. LANGAN – September 12, 2013

ROBERT FRANK LARSEN – October 23, 2013

NORMAND LEO LEJEUNE - November 4, 2013

EARL DONALD LEWIS – September 18, 2013

JACK C. LUTZ - ? 2013

JAMES MAROULIS – November 23, 2013

JOHN L. "JACK" MARTIN – September 20, 2013

ROBERT BRUCE MCCONKEY – September 21, 2013

SAMUEL F. MCQUADE - December 4, 2012

MALCOLM G. MOGER – September 20, 2013

JOHN NIEHLS – October 16, 2013

FRANK J. O'CONNOR - ? 2013

RUBY MAE SPARKES PATE - October 28, 2013

ROY B. PELOQUIN – September 12, 2013

CAROL I. SNYDER - June 13, 2013 (wife of Edward Snyder)

MARY D. TROCKY - April 2013 (widow of Ed Trocky)

RONALD WAGNER – October 15, 2013

PAUL ZYCH - August 30, 2013

Blue Bell Retirees October Cape Cod Trip

From Tom Ambolino, Recording Secretary

During the week of October 7th, my wife, Marge, and I went on a Blue Bell Retirees sponsored bus trip to Cape Cod. After a very entertaining bus ride we arrived at the Cape Point Hotel. We were taken to a nice local restaurant for a delicious dinner. During the next three days we had stops at Hyannis, Kennedy Memorial, Sandwich Glass Factory, a dinner cruise, a boat ride to Nantucket and a trip to Provincetown. This was a lot of activity jammed into three days but was a great travel experience. Of course being in New England, we had to have the famous Lobster dinner and it was awesome. What made this trip so enjoyable were the different sites we saw and the people we saw them with. This group we traveled with really made this trip one of best.

Tom Ambolino

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