VIP Club Newsletter

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2021 ACTIVITIES BEING PLANNED

NOTE: VIP Club social activities are being scheduled (or not) as follows:

- Roseville Good Old Days May 7th REUNION CANCELLED due to current COVID guidelines. We will send an update if rescheduled. Watch the website and your e-mail/evites for updates from coordinator paul.dickson@comcast.net.
- **Syttende Mai CANCELLED!** With regrets the annual event at Casper's in Eagan has been cancelled. Too many unknowns to proceed safely with our popular great tradition. *Dale Torgerson, Dale Phelps, Dave Carter and Dick Lundgren*.
- Annual Reunion Picnic SCHEDULED for



June 16th, 12 noon-??, with food service from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. Invitations are coming to you via Evite. Please RSVP to the Evite by the

end of May with the number of attendees to guide our planning, then pay \$5 per person on arrival at the picnic. For those without Internet access, *call Keith Behnke if you plan to attend (651-587-2591) and leave a text or voice mail message*. The latest picnic information will be posted on our website <u>VIP Club - Social Information (vipclubmn.org)</u>.

• VIP Club 40th (now 41^{st!}) Anniversary Dinner Party SCHEDULED for Tuesday,

September 14th at the Royal Cliff Event Center, Eagan. Expect Evite invitation in June, then, by August 3rd, send in the registration form



found later in this newsletter or on our website (<u>http://vipclubmn.org</u>), along with the \$5 registration fee per household. You can also sign up and pay at the Picnic on June 16. More details appear later in the party article. Coordinators are VIP Club board members *Keith Behnke* and *Harvey Taipale*.

Unihogs & Technologists Reunion
Scheduled for November 3rd at Casper's Cherokee



of Eagan, and includes VIP Club **Board Elections**. Coordinators are *Lowell Benson and Fred Vihovde*.

- Old Timers' Reunion Scheduling in December at Lost Spur. Coordinators are VIP Club board members *Paul Hove and Steve Koltes*.
- Holiday Party Schedule TBD January 2022. Coordinator is VIP Club board member *Keith Behnke*.

VIP Club 2021 scheduled Board Meetings: June 2 & August 4. The board meets via Zoom due to COVID-19. Meetings will resume at Unisys, Eagan TBD. Club members may sit in if curious about club business. Contact the President 2 days prior for access.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Mike & Kathy Baker, Rosemount, MN
- John Cervosky, Norwalk, CT
- Doug & Linda Dahl, Eagan, MN
- James & Dianne De Penning, Eagan, MN
- Joseba Desubijana & Patricia Doyle, Minneapolis, MN
- Ralph & JoAnn Galarneault, Becker, MN
- John K. Hickey, Safety Harbor, FL
- Gary Hillman, Shoreview, MN
- ➢ Harris & Bonnie Liebergot, Chevy Chase, MD
- Paul Lindquist & Linda Butwinick, Shoreview, MN
- Jim & Carol Lorenzen, Lakeville, MN
- Robert "Bob" Murphy, Roseville, MN
- Jeremy Nichols, Minneapolis, MN
- James & Lynne Plasek, Shoreview, MN
- Bob Roy, Coon Rapids, MN
- Jon & Jean Shutte, Danbury, WI

Retirement Status and Benefits:

Numbers to call if you or your heirs have death benefit or pension questions – you will need an SSN and a PIN.

1-877-864-7972

1-866-562-2363

- UNISYS:
- Lockheed Martin:

****LMCO retirees**: If you have health care as part of your retirement package, you must contact **VIA Benefits** annually at **1-844-596-0460** to get the \$1,800.00 refund.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, we're about to resume some of our traditional VIP Club activities, but there are still a few unknowns we need to deal with as things evolve. First, the picnic is scheduled for June 16th at Central



Park in Eagan beginning at noon, with food service from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. We will have the park until 10:00 p.m., but I guarantee that the beer (and most of us) won't last that long!

We are assuming that by then the great majority of our members (we are, by definition, seniors, after all), will have been vaccinated, and this event will be outdoors, so this should be a safe gathering. For the unvaccinated, it's up to you to wear a mask and watch your distance.

The cost is \$5 at the door. The lack of prepayment tends to make some folks casual about committing to attend, but we need to plan for a number (otherwise, the beer will run out sooner, and you may not get a burger). We will use Evite to guide our planning. If you will attend, please RSVP with the number of attendees to the Evite invitation. If you don't receive an invitation via Evite, remember to check your Spam folder, and make sure we have your current e-mail address. For those without Internet access, call Keith Behnke if you plan to attend (651-587-2591) and leave a text or voice mail message. Either way, please respond by the end of May.

COVID guidelines pertaining to this type of gathering are not totally definitive and theoretically could change. If something changes that would impact the picnic, we will contact the registered attendees by Evite, e-mail or phone. As always, the latest information will be posted on our website (http://vipclubmn.org).

Planning is proceeding for our 40th Anniversary Dinner Party on September 14th at Royal Cliff Event Center in Eagan. Royal Cliff is currently COVIDcompliant; we also expect things will be further relaxed by September. The afternoon will include a social hour, buffet dinner and a short program, with a cash bar available. Evite will again be used to inform everyone– expect an invitation in June. This event is a bit more formal and structured than the picnic, so we are asking everyone to sign up and pay a \$5 registration fee per household (single, couple, member and guest, etc.). A registration form is in this newsletter and online on our website (http://vipclubmn.org). Please register by August 3. You can also sign up and pay at the Picnic on June 16.

Enough housekeeping! I want to make a couple of comments about our history. I recently browsed a book entitled *The Computer from Pascal to von Neumann*, by

Herman H. Goldstine. I say browsed because the book has far more historical information than I wanted to peruse, and was written in a style that made it hard to absorb. Dr. Goldstine was associated with the ENIAC and EDVAC teams, Princeton's Institute for Advanced Study, and later, IBM, among other organizations. Significant (to me, at least), he makes only brief mention of the work of ERA, and his chronology and genealogy of the 1101 and later systems is a bit terse and confused. He makes no mention of Atlas and its code-cracking predecessors, perhaps because this book was published in 1972 and the work of ERA's Atlas was not declassified until 1974.

The upshot of this is that this otherwise scholarly book suffers from a hole in the communally accepted history of the computer business in the United States. Our retirees are the last source of quality information to fill that hole. There are three ways to help fill that hole:

- First, send in a career summary. The Charles Babbage Institute historians have told us that if enough (more than 200) employees tell their story, there will be enough data to paint an accurate picture of the early history of ERA/Univac/Sperry *et al*, in Minnesota. Check out our existing 195 career summaries on our People page at http://vipclubmn.org/People.html.
- Second, send your historical material to us. Any board member will transport papers, photos, artifacts or whatever you want to offer to the crew working at Lawshe Memorial Museum, and they will sort it, catalog it and transmit it to the appropriate place (generally either Lawshe or the Babbage Institute) to preserve it for posterity. Incidentally, the Dakota County Historical Society, which operates Lawshe, would also love your membership support.
- Finally, you can volunteer to help process all this stuff. The crew has been working at Lawshe since 2012, and still has several years of effort to catalog and digitize historical materials. The material loses some historical value if it is not properly identified and put into context, and this group can always use help in that process—maybe as simple as scanning documents. Someone is there almost every first and third Tuesday morning of the month and training is available. Contact Keith Myhre or one of the board members if you are interested.

Get vaccinated, stay safe and see you at the picnic! Harvey Taipale. VIP Club President

Now That We're Older... If you can't think of a word, say, "I forgot the English word for it." That way people will think you are bilingual instead of an idiot. *And*... I love getting older; I learn something new every day and forget 5 other things.

SOCIAL REPORTS & ARTICLES

DETAILS: VIP Club MN 40th (belated) Anniversary Dinner Party



The COVID-19 risks and imposed restrictions prevented holding our scheduled 40th Anniversary Dinner Party last year. Hopefully things will have improved enough for the event to take place this year. At this point, it is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, from 2:30-6:30 p.m. We will continue to follow any and all COVID-19 restrictions in effect at that time to ensure a safe gathering.

This anniversary event is compliments of your VIP Club treasury! However, to determine the number of dinners to order we are requiring a \$5 per household registration fee to be mailed in advance along with the registration form (see the VIP Club MN website at http://vipclubmn.org or later in this newsletter). You will also be able to register and pay at the club picnic planned for June 16. Remember, spouses or significant others are considered club members and we hope they will also attend. The Royal Cliff Event Center in Eagan (2280 Cliff Road/County Road 32 and Slater Road) will be the hosting venue and at this time they limit us to 200 guests, so get your registration in early. Evites will be sent to club members with e-mail addresses on record in our membership directory. All registrations must be received by August 3 to ensure we can meet the meal commitment requirement and for volunteers to make final preparations. Unregistered walk-ins will not be permitted since dinners must be reserved.

This long-awaited anniversary event will begin with a social hour with cash bar, and hopefully historic pictures and memorabilia from the Lawshe Memorial Museum will be projected and displayed. Dinner will consist of a buffet serving of a special salad, tenderloin beef and/or chicken with white sauce, cheesy mashed potatoes and teriyaki green beans. A short program and another social period will follow dinner.

Keith Behnke

LEGACY TIDBITS

Lawshe Memorial Museum: The VIP Club board and Legacy Committee were excited by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners' March decision to implement Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) accessibility improvements to the museum facility in 2022. Our May 2021 online *Our Stories* article, *Artifacts on Display*, illustrates some of the exhibits there and items yet to be formally exhibited (see http://vipclubmn.org/Articles/ArtifactsOnDisplay.pdf). The DCHS Executive Director, Matthew Carter, will give the November 3rd Unihogs attendees a status update.

Tribute to Winnipeg Operations: Former Sperry/Unisys quality control manager, Ed 'Pogo' Pogorzelec, has provided several items for a tribute to the Winnipeg Operations. See <u>Locations, Canada Legacy</u> <u>Chapter (vipclubmn.org)</u>, updated information. We have posted two of his slide set 'presentations' as *Our Stories* for June and July 2021.

- 281, June: <u>A Tribute to our Winnipeg's operations</u>, a set of slides from Ed 'Pogo' Pogorzelec.
- 282, July: <u>The Winnipeg Team</u>, a set of slides from Ed 'Pogo'.
- Three newspaper articles mentioned the people/facility: <u>Winnipeg-free-press-Aug-21-1982-</u> <u>pg41</u>, <u>Winnipeg-free-press-Sep-25-1982-pg32</u>, and <u>Winnipeg-free-press-June-27-1986-p34</u>.

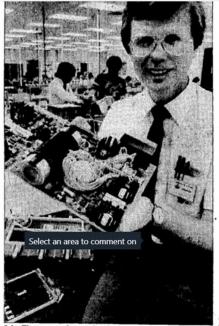
Many are aware of the Canadian Patrol Frigate (CPF), a very successful systems integration program. During the 2012 reunion, they played a 25-minute video that included three major parts:

- Department of National Defense films of the CPF in action
- The UNISYS support team
- A Paramax film extolling their CN programs. Click to <u>Watch it</u>. An earlier article is <u>'Our</u>

<u>Winnipeg Story'</u> by Glen Johnson, with an addendum by Dave Saxerud.

A couple of Winnipeg human interest factoids not obvious to the casual reader: In the September 1982 newspaper clipping is John Westergren, then Chief Engineer in Winnipeg.

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John Westergren shows a finished computer board at Sperry Univac's plant in Winnipeg. The company manufactures components used in naval defence systems.

The articles also mention the first employee hired in Winnipeg as Judy Thomson; several years later, Judy married Dave Saxerud, who had transferred from St. Paul to Winnipeg to fill John's able shoes.

Audio Interviews Online: At the Lawshe Museum, Keith Myhre has digitized three audio interviews. Point your browser to http://vipclubmn.org/PeopleInterview.html; then from the On This Page section at the right, select Jim Rapinac (59 min.), Fred Hargesheimer (54 min.) or Larry Debelak (51 min.) to read a few tidbits before clicking the audio link. Lowell Benson

YOUR STORY

Japan Maritime Self Defense Force (Navy) P-3C Computers



Keith Myhre

The Japanese Navy started flying Lockheed P-3C Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) airplanes with Sperry UNIVAC CP-901 computers in 1985.

In 1994 they followed the U.S. Navy and began upgrading CP-901 computers with CP-2044 form/fit/function replacements. Toshiba assembled/ built 45 computers in Japan under a manufacturing license agreement with Lockheed Martin in Eagan. Clearwater Manufacturing supplied the piece parts to Toshiba. As of June 2020, 70 of the original 100+ Japanese Navy P-3C aircraft are still in service.

The CP-2044 shown below was used in Eagan for system development and checkout in support of the Program Generation Center/Software Development Facility (PGC/SDF) Eagan installed and supported onsite in Atsugi, Japan. The shutdown of Plant 8 resulted in shipment and storage of this unit in Clearwater. Lockheed Martin donated this computer to the Dakota County Historical Society, resulting in its shipment back to Eagan.



The individuals in this photo, taken November 20, 2012, prior to shipment to the Lawshe Museum, all worked on the Japanese P-3C project $(L \rightarrow R)$:

Gary Reetz – System Engineer

- Chuck Hobus Clearwater Program Manager
- Patricia Bailey Myhre System Test
- Les Nelson System Engineer/Project Engineer
- Bob Pagac Program Manager
- Art Francis Project Engineer

By the time Toshiba began building CP-2044 computers, Hitachi was no longer manufacturing bubble memory devices used by the US Navy CP-2044 for internal storage. The second photo of Keith Myhre, Les Nelson and Bob Pagac, was taken February 16, 2021, at the Lawshe Museum. Les is holding the external military disk Eagan developed to replace the bubble memory.

More information about this project can be found at: <u>Systems, International Chapter (vipclubmn.org)</u>.



IN REMEMBRANCE OF:

The obits hereunder are redacted from funeral home postings or Pioneer Press, Star Tribune, or applicable local listings.

The VIP Club board extends its sympathies to the families and friends of those who have lost loved ones.

We will grieve not, rather find strength in what remains behind. ~William Wordsworth~

Mark A. Dimick – Passed away peacefully at 64 years



young on March 28, from Lewy Body Dementia. Mark retired after 35 years with Lockheed Martin and Product Development Associates. He brought joy to many by playing his guitar. He loved traveling and going on fishing

trips with his buddies. Mark is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Mary Schwietz Dimick, two sons and other family and friends. **James A. Dougherty** – Age 75, of East Norriton, PA, formerly of Blue Bell, passed away peacefully at home on April 5. Jim had a long enjoyable career in international information technology for Univac/Unisys, which allowed him to visit 23 countries. Jim



also served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, served on the Mom's House of Philadelphia board of directors, and taught religious education. Jim enjoyed camping, golf, and travel, was a devoted Eagles and Penn State football fan, an avid reader, and loved family time, especially children's/grandchildren's sporting events. Jim is survived by his wife, Michaeleen (Chorney) Dougherty, five children, grandchildren & other family.

Thomas Alan Ellingson – Age 75, ended his journey under cancer hospice care on December 10, 2020. He lived at the family farm his last 25 years, after moving his family to Spring Grove where he relished growing up. After college,



Tom joined the U.S. Navy and was deployed to An Thoi, Viet Nam; he was in Saigon during the 1968 Tet Offensive, but spent most of his time in the Mekong Delta area. After returning stateside, he served as a battalion commander at the Waukegan, Illinois, Great Lakes Naval Recruit Training Center. Tom then had an HR career with 3M and Sperry Univac. He travelled to Rome, Baghdad, Johannesburg and other locations, even moving his family to Amsterdam, Holland, for a time. Supporting Spring Grove high school athletics was a favorite of Tom's, being seen at most football and basketball games. He served on the local board of education, and belonged to the Spring Grove Veterans of Foreign Wars, playing taps at veterans' funerals. Tom is survived by two children and grandchildren, his former wife and caregiver, Jean, and other family.

Paul A. Engebretson – Age 83, of North Hudson, WI,



passed away April 15. Paul served in the U.S. Air Force, and later worked for over 35 years as a computer technician. In the summers Paul enjoyed bicycling, and in the winter downhill and crosscountry skiing. Other hobbies included

woodworking and clock repair. Paul is survived by his

wife, Vi, two children and other family. William "Bill" Flies – Age 78, died February 19 at home in Frontenac, MN. Bill was a farm boy-turned technology entrepreneur. Bill graduated from Minnesota State University, Mankato



with degrees in math, physics and business. He worked for Univac in computer code and operating systems and raised his family and coached youth sports in Burnsville. He co-founded Technalysis in 1969 which sold

information technology to the IRS, the U.S. Postal Service, intelligence agencies and the military. In 1978 he launched Datakey, which designed secure portable information products, including data and voiceencryption systems, such as encryption for STU-III secure telephones used for classified communications by U.S. presidents from Ronald Reagan to Barack Obama. Flies started XATA Corp. in 1985, a pioneer in gathering cab-level information for trucking companies. In 1987, Flies and his wife, Linda, started Chateau Frontenac, redeveloping a historic resort and church camp area on the shores of Lake Pepin into their home, a bed-and-breakfast and a few other properties. Friends and family said Flies was a big-hearted capitalist who shared his wealth, and recognized him as an engineer and a problem solver. In 2012, Flies received a distinguished alumni award from Minnesota State, Mankato. Flies is survived by his wife, Linda, two sons, two granddaughters, and other family. Jerry Frederick Frost - Age 84, died November 26,



2020, in St. George, Utah. Jerry began his career in Utah, then his employment with Univac provided for a family move to Minnesota where he loved his career and the time spent. In his ensuing years, Jerry enjoyed racquetball, tennis and

golf. When he retired, Jerry and his wife, Gean, returned to Utah. Jerry is survived by 3 daughters, 12 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren, and was preceded in death by Gean.

Michael J. McNulty – Age 75 of Burnsville, died on March 26 surrounded by his loving family. After attending both the Universities of St. Thomas and Minnesota, Michael enjoyed a long



career in computer/technology sales employed by Unisys for 27 years and later Dell EMC for 16. He retired to pursue his master's in leisure arts and to spend the winters in Key Largo to enjoy his free time fishing, skiing and sailing the Dottie II. He was a food and wine connoisseur, avid reader and traveler, but most of all loved spending time with family and friends who will miss his wit, humor and contagious love for fun. Michael is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Karen, three children, a grandson and other family, and was preceded in death by his daughter.

Mary Elizabeth Mortenson – Age 84 of Blaine, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on March 16. VIP Club member Keith Behnke recalls once escorting Mary to the stage to receive her anniversary award in the Plant 8



courtyard, which she appreciated and never forgot. Mary will be deeply missed by her two children, five grandchildren, two great-granddaughters and other loving family and friends.

Gary Elden Olson – Passed away suddenly on March 14 at age 78. Gary studied electrical engineering and achieved his MBA at the University of Minnesota; he was awarded, and



completed in one year, a fellowship at Stanford University. He was a gifted technologist, business manager and communicator, who worked for 36 years at Sperry Univac/Unisys in Roseville, leading key mainframe computer initiatives. He and his family enjoyed skiing, camping and attending YMCA camps, including Camp du Nord where Gary served on the board. Once retired, he and his wife moved to Crosslake where they gave generously of their time, talent and treasure; he was treasurer of the Whitefish Area Property Owner's Association (WAPOA) for eight years. Gary is survived by Lynn, his wife of 53 years,

two children and three grandchildren. **Dexter C. Pehle** – Age 85, of California, formerly of Apple Valley, MN, was called home to the Lord on February 16. Dexter served his country in the U.S. Air Force, where he was a



proud member of the Keesler AFB Male Choir. He had a long career as a systems engineer with Sperry Univac. His affiliations with Masonic organizations were numerous and the relationships and friendships formed meant the world to him. Dexter was a lifelong volunteer, always generous with his time and leadership. His last gift was a donation of his body to the University of Minnesota Anatomy Bequest Program for medical research. Dexter is survived by Muriel, his loving wife of 60 years, three children and other family, and was preceded in death by a son and daughter.

Norbert Francis Santoski – Age 84, passed away March 16 in Eagan, MN. Norbert served in the U.S. Navy as an electronic technician, obtained a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Wisconsin, and an



MBA from the University of St. Thomas where he taught as a part-time adjunct lecturer. Norb was employed by Martin-Marietta in Denver, CO, then moved to St. Paul, MN, to work for Sperry Univac. He was a licensed amateur radio operator (W0ENB) and an avid Green Bay Packer and Wisconsin Badger fan. Norb was a long-time VIP Club member and Legacy Anthology contributor, where he was also known as the *'Polish Digit-Meister'* by club members. He is survived by wife Loralyn Elizabeth (Fischer), two children and three grandchildren.

Todd M. Schwartz – Age 64 of St. Paul, passed away



March 24. Todd retired after 30 years from Lockheed Martin where he is fondly remembered as a great guy who would go out of his way to help, who loved to sing, and was a true Vikings fan. Todd is survived by Patti, his wife

of 42 years, three sons, four grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and other family and friends.

Ione Louise (Runge) Stein – Age 93, passed away March 25. Ione was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene. Together they shared a passion for wine making and travel, and were members of both the VIP Club and the



Univac travel club. Ione was also known for her beautiful garden and love of genealogy. She was survived by two sons, three grandchildren, three greatgrandchildren and other family and friends.

Shirley Willenbring – Age 88, of Inver Grove Heights,



MN, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Easter morning. Shirley worked for Unisys in Eagan and the Met Council in St. Paul. She and her husband, LeRoy "Sonny" Willenbring, were active members at their church

where she helped with Christmas plays, car shows, hospitality and marriage mentoring. She also volunteered extensively for the Council of Catholic Women. She enjoyed gardening, ceramics and was a member of the Bar Naught square dance club for over 25 years. Shirley is survived by Sonny, her caring husband of 68 years, 6 children, 10 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her siblings and her beloved daughter who passed away at age five from brain cancer and welcomed her to Heaven.

Oscar Lavere Wolske – Age 82 of Inver Grove Heights, MN, passed away March 18. Oscar worked in field service for UNIVAC/Sperry and was a prior VIP Club member. He is survived by Joyce, his wife of 62 years, four children, nine



grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and other family.

Belated Remembrances

Sheldon D. Lange – Age 65, passed away November 24, 2002. Sheldon's career included being an engineering manager in Plants 8, 1 and 2 of Continuation Engineering in the 70s and 80s. He was survived by his wife, Paula, two sons, and other family. Kay L. (Hanenburg) Madson – Age 74, of Minneapolis, passed away January 21, 2015. Kay was a VIP Club member and spouse of Greg Madson. She was a sociology major at Augsburg College, married Greg after college, moved to the Chicago area and was a social caseworker while Greg was in the Fifth Army headquarters. Upon returning to Minnesota, she taught part-time at the University of Minnesota and Augsburg College, while completing her Master's degree from the U of MN. She spent time at home while her children were young, then returned to teaching at Concordia University-St. Paul as an adjunct professor and started classes for her Ph.D. in Sociology, which she completed at the U of MN. Kay was a Professor in Sociology, Chair of the Social Sciences department and also served as Executive Vice President of Concordia University. She officially retired in 2007, but continued to teach parttime. Kay was active at her church; traveled and visited many places throughout the US, Europe, and the world; but her grandchildren were her greatest joy. At her passing, Kay was survived by her husband of 52 years, Greg, three children and nine grandchildren.

Richard Allan 'Dick' Maki – Age 83, of Chisholm, MN, died December 6, 2015. Dick served in the MN National Guard from 1951-55. He also received his AA degree in drafting and design from Dunwoody College, then worked as a tool designer for Unisys Corporation and later for Cardiac Pacemaker Co., living and working in Minneapolis until retiring in 1992. He was survived by his wife, Eva, three children and two grandchildren.

Ralph R. Mattie – Age 69, of New Hope, formerly of Sebeka, MN, passed away March 1996. Ralph was one of the CP-901 core memory development engineers and an AN/UYK-7 memory engineer. He was survived by two daughters, nine grandchildren, and three sisters.

Darryl David Weiss – Age 68, passed away March 1, 2010, following a short illness. Darryl was a retired

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electrical engineer with UNIVAC/Sperry/Unisys Corporation, who worked part of his career in defense computer continuation engineering, and a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was survived by his wife, Linda Carol (Anderson) Weiss, a brother, three nephews and a niece.

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VIP Club 40th Anniversary Dinner Party Registration Form Please reserve, at \$5 for myself/my household, place(s) for the VIP Club 40th Anniversary Dinner Party being held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at the Royal Cliff Event Center, Eagan . Send in your reservation now, since occupancy is currently limited to 200 per COVID guidelines. Your form and check must be received by <u>August 3</u> .				
Print Name to Appear on Name Tag:				
Address: Phone no:				
Print Spouse's/Sig. Other's Name to Appear on Name Tag:				
Print Additional Household Member Name(s) to Appear on Name Tag(s):				
Make your check payable to VIP CLUB – 40 th Party	2@2 <mark>泛1</mark>			
Mail check before August 3 to Keith Behnke 4652 Westwood Lane Eagan, MN 55122 Or to VIP Club MN P.O. Box 21903 Eagan, MN 55121	VIP CLUB Established in 1980 CELEBRATIONS			



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PERIODIC SOCIAL GROUPS

Attendees: Are you still meeting as noted here? Please e-mail <u>clubnewsltr@vipclubmn.org</u> with current status and updated contact information. Thank you!

Monthly Breakfast Gathering

- <u>1st Thursday</u> at 8 a.m. Capitol View Cafe, 637 Smith Ave., St. Paul ℜ Meeting status checked monthly
- <u>Monthly Lunch Gatherings</u> <u>1st Tuesday</u> at 11:00 a.m. – Zoom meeting. Coordinator: Dave Kaminski 952-854-1997.
- <u>2nd Tuesday</u> at 11:30 a.m. Mall of America ^{3rd} floor North Food Court; we meet by the tables between the elevator & Burger King. Coordinator Paul Wennerstrom: 952-854-7855.
- <u>2nd Wednesday</u> at 11 a.m. Baker's Square, Northtown, 221 Co. Rd. 10 NE, Blaine, MN
- <u>2nd Saturday</u> of odd-numbered months at 11 a.m. – Baker's Square, 1881 West Hwy 36, Roseville. Coordinator Urho Rahkola: 651-429-3319. Temporarily Suspended

Quarterly Breakfast Gathering

 <u>2nd Wednesday</u> at 9 a.m. in Mar., June, Sept., & Dec. – Eagles Club, 563 Old Hwy 8 in New Brighton. Coordinator Paul Dickson: 651-482-9934. Temporarily Suspended