# VIP Club Newsletter

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#### It's Almost Election Time!!

Nominations are open for our 2022 VIP Club board membership. Consider serving on the board in a director or an officer role. In these volunteer positions you will be deserving of our membership's heartfelt thanks for keeping the club going. And YES, you can nominate yourself! A slate of candidates will be presented and voted on in November. More details below and under Club News.

#### **2021 ACTIVITIES**

#### VIP Club 40th (now 41st!) Anniversary **Party** Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

(May be happening now or soon, depending on your receipt of newsletter) at the Royal Cliff Event Center, 2280 Cliff Rd, Eagan, from 2:30-6:30 p.m., with a



cash bar. Coordinators are VIP Club board members Keith Behnke and Harvey Taipale.

Unihogs & Technologists Reunion November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Casper's Cherokee of Eagan, and



includes VIP Club **Board Elections**. Speaker: Carter, Executive Director of the Dakota County Historical Society.

Coordinators: Lowell Benson and Fred Vihovde.

- Old Timers' Reunion December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Lost Spur Golf and Event Center, lower level. Coordinators are VIP Club board members Paul Hove and Steve Koltes.
- **Holiday Party** Tentatively Scheduled for January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Lost Spur Golf and Event Center, lower level. Coordinator is VIP Club board member Keith Behnke.

VIP Club 2021 scheduled Board Meetings: October 6 and December 1. The board currently meets via Zoom with meetings resuming 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**

- Thomas Bentrup, Rosemount, MN
- Bryan Clem, Mound, MN
- > Todd DeRyck, Winnipeg, MB
- Thomas Harris, Hollis, NH
- Craig Mader, Woodbury, MN
- James & Patricia Zimmermann, Pierz, MN

#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

COVID, COVID. COVID, I assume the rest of you are as tired of having this topic dominate our news and impact our "normal" lives as I am. Unfortunately, managing our collective safety has become a



part of the new normal, and we have to continue to deal with it, at least for a while yet. The latest resurgence of infection prompted a lot of discussion relative to our once-delayed 40th Anniversary Dinner Party. Lots of decision-making conflict; we want our members to be safe, but our members also clearly want to resume some social activities. This was pretty obvious from attendance at the June picnic, which was double that of our initial planning estimate. In the end, we decided to go forward, believing that most of you are vaccinated and that this can be a relatively low-risk event. If there are last-minute changes, you will get a notification by the Evite system or on the website.

2005 was a long time ago, but that's when Richard "Ole" Olson was tasked with doing something to capture our Minnesota company's legacy. One effort involved collecting and cataloging various documents and objects for posterity. Three retirees (Quint Heckert, Larry Bolton and yours truly were given space in the Eagan facility to do that. By 2010, when it became official that Lockheed Martin was closing Eagan, the effort became quite a bit more intense. We were joined by several others, including Bob Pagac, Les Nelson and John Westergren. Later, when the plant did close, the effort to collect and catalog was continued at the Lawshe Museum and we were joined by several others, including Jon Simon and Keith Myhre, who leads the work today.

What was collected was all the Publications and Design Services document and photo files, the original Eagan corporate photo files, and many documents and











keepsakes from desk drawers, file cabinets and company files as people cleared out. Key documents and all photo negatives went to the Charles Babbage Institute at the University of Minnesota, where they have been professionally archived and put in their 250-year storage facility for researchers to use as they require.

However, Babbage was not equipped to take everything, and over two truckloads of real objects, photo prints and other documents, which were not able to be cataloged before they had to be removed or they would have been trashed, went to the Dakota County Historical Society's Lawshe Museum in South St. Paul. Some of this stuff is on continuous display and anyone can drop in and see it without charge during the museum's open hours.

But the job is not done . . . Keith Myhre estimates there are still several years of effort remaining to fully catalog all the material. Without proper cataloging, future generations won't have a clue, as you and I do, about the significance of the various items and photos. We need YOUR help in this area, whether you're familiar with the items or not. The cataloging staff can use many more bodies to both physically catalog and digitize the material—easy to learn with minimal training. Help is also needed to identify and place all this material in the proper historical perspective, if you know or can help identify its history. Speaking from experience, this is a very enjoyable and interesting activity, and a bit of a social event too. The crew needs more participants and I urge you to consider joining their efforts. They work on Tuesdays when the museum is closed to the public, but is open to staff. Hours are quite flexible. If you can help, or are interested, contact Keith Myhre (kmyhre@lightblast.net) or me and we'll get you plugged in.

Harvey Taipale, VIP Club President

#### **SOCIAL REPORTS & ARTICLES**

#### Coming Up . . .

Unihogs and Technologists Reunion – Wednesday, November 3rd

Reservations Due – Wednesday, October 27th



Lunch – \$20.00 per person (includes lunch amenities, tax and tip)

Please make your reservation by e-mail to board@vipclubmn.org. Limited to the first 48 people per COVID protocols. Pay at the door, \$20.00 cash or check payable to VIP Club.

- Procrastinators, NO LATER THAN Sunday evening October 31<sup>st</sup>, telephone or e-mail one of the coordinators for a table seat and printed name tag:
  - Fred Vihovde at 651-808-9229 or <a href="mailto:fvihovde@gmail.com">fvihovde@gmail.com</a>
  - Lowell Benson at 651-483-3709 or la.gi.benson@comcast.net

#### **Reunion Agenda**

<u>11:15 a.m.</u> **Check in and pay**: Pick up nametag, enjoy social time, cash bar (doors open 11:05 a.m.)

11:35 a.m. **Table by table entrée orders;** pick one entrée, veggie of the day, water plus coffee, tea or milk with meal is included:

- ✓ Roasted Chicken w/Rice
- ✓ Walleye w/Baked Potato
- ✓ 8 oz. Sirloin Steak w/Baked Potato

12:00 noon VIP Club 2022 board elections by President Harvey Taipale, retired from LMCO 2007

12:05 p.m. Lunch is served

### 12:45 p.m. **Program:**

- Emcee Lowell Benson, retired from Unisys 1994; CTS at the U of MN 2001 and the VIP Club Board 2019
- ➤ 2020 and 2021 Deceased Memoriam by Fred Vihovde, retired from UNIVAC, CDC and the Military Reserves; prior year obit names at <a href="http://vipclubmn.org/deceased.html">http://vipclubmn.org/deceased.html</a> Section 2
- ➤ Speaker Matthew Carter, Executive Director of the Dakota County Historical Society; topic: 'Status and Future of the Legacy Exhibit' at the Lawshe Memorial Museum in South St. Paul, MN, <a href="http://vipclubmn.org/Exhibits.html">http://vipclubmn.org/Exhibits.html</a>

#### **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.

◆ UNISYS: 1-877-864-7972 ◆ Lockheed Martin: 1-866-562-2363

\*\*LMCO retirees: If you are eligible for the health care supplement through VIA Benefits, submit your expenses to receive up to \$900 each annually for you and your spouse (Total \$1,800). Eligible expenses include copayments, Medicare premiums and insurance supplement premiums. For questions call VIA Benefits at 1-844-596-0460 or go to <a href="https://my.viabenefits.com/">https://my.viabenefits.com/</a>.

#### **CLUB NEWS**

#### It's Almost Election Time!!

No, not U.S. or Minnesota elections, but elections much closer to home. The VIP Club bylaws (<u>VIP Club Bylaws3Aug2011.pdf (vipclubmn.org)</u> Article IV) require annual election of the club officers (president, vice president, secretary and treasurer) and four at-large

directors. The immediate past president is an ex-officio member of the board.

The board meets every two months and oversees all VIP Club activities. An effective board is essential to the continued operation of the VIP Club. Sadly, our sister retiree group in Blue Bell, PA was forced to disband some years ago because they did not have enough volunteers to sustain their board. Our current VIP Club membership is over 1,200 people, our finances are sound and our legacy and social activities are well-appreciated by members and the community. We need to keep refreshing our club leadership and activity volunteers to keep all this going.

So, with that as background, nominations are open for VIP Club board membership for 2022. Yes, you can nominate yourself! If you would like to further discuss any aspect of being a board member, or agree to become a board candidate, please contact Harvey Taipale or Keith Behnke. A slate of candidates will be presented at our November VIP Club meeting at Casper's Cherokee of Eagan. No, you don't have to be present to be elected, but it would be nice.

Harvey Taipale

#### **Membership Reminder**

VIP Club membership is open to all retired, current and former employees of heritage companies who are age 55 or older. Spouses and spouses of deceased eligible former employees also qualify for membership. Club dues are \$7 for one year or \$18 for three years. Members 90 years old and up are granted free lifetime membership. All memberships expire on December 31st of the member's expiration year. For e-mail newsletter deliveries, the expiration year is shown in the e-mail subject line; for newsletter deliveries via U.S. mail, the expiration year is shown after the address label name. If the date shown is 2021, your expiration is approaching.

Individuals may **join** the VIP Club or **renew** memberships via the <u>membership form</u> accessible from the website Membership page or later in this newsletter; print it, complete it and mail it with a check made out to "VIP Club" for \$7 or \$18 to VIP Club — Membership, P.O. Box 21903, Eagan, MN 55121. Individuals may **update** membership status or personal information by completing and submitting the online form found on the VIP Club Membership (vipclubmn.org) page.

#### **YOUR STORY**

#### **Tracking Classified Shipping**

On February 15th, 1994, I had my layoff exit discussion with Ernie Ryans (Security clearance manager). I got up on the 16th and was humming. My wife asked, "Why are you happy, you got



laid off yesterday!" I replied, "Today is the first day in 36 years that I haven't had an active security clearance. Maybe my next job won't have the same 'lip-zip' restrictions!"

That humorous remembrance of Ernie Ryans surfaced for Lowell Benson when Ernie's name came up in the following story about tracking down misplaced classified machinery...

One of our customers had a failed AN/UYK-23 machine that was being used in a classified application. Their technicians couldn't fix it, so they arranged for a 'classified' shipment to Plant 1. Three days later they called to ask if we'd fixed it, to which I replied that I hadn't been notified that we had received it. The customer gave me the shipment tracking information and a faxed 'delivered' receipt with a signature. The signature wasn't in any directories so I called the Plant 1 Receiving Department who told me that sometimes after-hours shipments were signed for by guards. I said, "OK, can you forward the box to our Plant 8 lab?" The receiving clerk said that they didn't have it so it must be by a guard desk. This was a wooden box about 1' x 1.5' x 2' (hard to lose), so I talked to each guard desk at Plant 1. They acknowledged signing for it and said that they'd put it into the receiving crib. Again, I was on the phone to the crib; the clerk there said he'd check and I heard the click-click of his keyboard after which he said, "Nope, not here." I asked if I could come over and look because he had said no after checking his desktop computer log. ... Three minutes later he called me back and said that there was a box on a shelf that wasn't entered into their system. The size matched what I was looking for. Even though the customer had addressed the box to Plant 8 with attention to my name, the shipping company saw the Sperry address and delivered it to Plant 1 where they delivered all boxes.

The rest of the story: I called Ernie Ryans to inform him that we were moving a classified item between plants. I then asked technician/engineer Dean Free to get the box into our Plant 8 lab, find the separate maintenance panel and cables that we'd used for Qualification testing and troubleshoot the unit. Dean said that he had never worked on a UYK-23, but show him the power switch and he would take a look at it.



AN/UYK-23 with Maintenance Panel

I said that it was like a UYK-20 but in an airborne chassis. OK, two hours later he was back and had the unit on a bench, BUT told me that there was no power switch. In the aircraft installations the UYK-23 power on/off was with a circuit breaker in the pilot's cabin. For the lab, it was via a separate switch on the maintenance panel.

Once powered up, we ran a diagnostic to replace a printed circuit card. I then called Ernie Ryans from Security to have him observe and sign off on a Mil Spec memory scrub procedure. We had notified Ernie of the 'missing' classified item then the find and fix status. We notified the customer and arranged for a non-classified shipment back. Everyone was happy and we billed them for the repair work.

See how the UYK-23 mentioned in our story is used in another part of our legacy; a thumbnail of the application is here: <a href="http://vipclubmn.org/sysairborne.html#Quicklook">http://vipclubmn.org/sysairborne.html#Quicklook</a>.

Lowell Benson

DON'T FORGET! We want to hear from you! Do you have a story to share? Have you been dying to tell somebody what happened when you made that work trip 20 years ago? Did you solve your client's problem with a team unlike any you ever worked with before or since? What was it about working for this company that made it, the work, or its people memorable? Why are you still hanging around with these former coworkers? Don't worry about perfect grammar or spelling. Jot down your story, long or short, and we'll clean it up and make it newsletter ready. Submit a picture of yourself to include as well, if you like. Some of us are at that point of remembering a face better than a name. We'll also consider including other pictures to help tell your story. Submit your entry(ies), anytime, to the VIP Club newsletter email: newsletter@vipclubmn.org

#### **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~

Alden Whitney Allen – Age 100 of St. Paul, MN, passed away on July 1, 2021. Alden attended the University of Minnesota, where he enlisted in the Officer Training Corp when the U.S. entered WWII. Graduating as an



aeronautical engineer, he attended Officer Training at Yale University and entered military service as a

Lieutenant in the Army Air Corp, serving in the USA and Italy. After military service, he worked at Glenn L Martin Aircraft Co. and ANSUL fire extinguisher company before landing at Univac (ERA group), initially on the intercept missile designs and early versions of modern computers, where he remained for 31 years until his retirement in 1986. Alden was a life member of the VIP Club, and a regular participant at the 'Original Geek Squad' – First Friday luncheon group. As such, his interview is included in the http://vipclubmn.org/PeopleInterview.html#OldTimers with other 'old timers.' He enjoyed spending time with family and friends, flying, hunting, boating and traveling to air shows. Alden is survived by his wife, Karina, of 75 years; they met at the Ft. Snelling VA hospital in 1945 where she was a nurse caring for his WWII leg wound. He is also survived by four children, four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and other family.

Maureen J. (Hand) Casey Shepard – Age 79, passed



away peacefully on August 6, 2021, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. During her career, Maureen worked as a Ramsey County Deputy Sheriff and eventually retired from Unisys in 2000, where many in

Roseville knew her well. The St. Patrick's Association and organizing the annual St. Patrick's Day parade were among her many contributions. For her efforts, Maureen was recognized as the Most Distinguished Irish Woman 1998, a recognition she cherished. Maureen loved her family, adored her grandchildren, her many friends, and of course, all things Irish. Maureen was preceded in death by husbands Thomas J. Casey and Arlin R. Shepard, and was survived by 3 children, 7 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, 5 stepchildren, 12 step-grandchildren, 10 step-great grandchildren and many other loving relatives and friends.

John W. Champine – Age 75, of Prior Lake, quickly succumbed to a rare cancer and peacefully died while at home on July 2, 2021. John graduated with degrees in Theater, French, English and History from the



University of MN. His computer-related career started at Sperry Univac, and included working in South Africa and London, until settling back in MN. He was very proud of later supercomputer work with Cray Research and other companies. John was survived by his wife of 52 years, Lynn, two children, four grandchildren and numerous extended family and friends who will miss his kind soul entertaining at their Prior Lake home.

**Daniel J. Chesky** –Age 79 of Bloomington, MN, passed away July 14, 2021. Daniel met his wife in high school through a mutual friend; they were married 57 years. After high school he enlisted in the Navy, then



worked at Unisys for 36 years, after which he was a VIP Club member for a while. He started his marine business in 1968 out of his garage which grew into a major player in the marine industry; he lived the true American Dream. Daniel is survived by loving family including his wife, Catherine "Kay", three sons, nine grandkids and one great-grandchild.

James Commander – Age 79 of White Bear Lake Township, MN, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force after graduation and served four years. His career was spent in the technology industry (Control Data, Sperry Univac). He retired from



Unisys as Sr. VP overseeing Roseville, Salt Lake City and Santa Clara operations, and was a VIP Club member. A notorious jokester, Jim loved spending time with family and friends, particularly when he could put on his captain's hat and take them cruising on the lake. He was well-loved and will be dearly missed. Jim was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Donna Commander, and a daughter, and is survived by a son and four grandchildren.

Cleon L. "Sam" Hennen – Age 91, of Burnsville, MN, entered eternal life on May 28, 2021. Cleon served in the U.S. Army from 1948 to 1952. He began his professional career at ERA, and worked for more than 35 years as



an engineering specialist with Unisys. He retired from the defense industry in 1992 with numerous patents and inventions to his name. He loved the outdoors, enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family and neighbors. A long- time Vikings fan, Cleon somehow still enjoyed watching football. On sunny days in later life, Cleon could be found "supervising" neighborhood activities from his favorite chair on the driveway. Cleon is survived by his wife, Beverly, 4 children, 12 grandchildren, nieces and nephews and other family.

Brian "Denny" Dennis Neill – Age 83, died peacefully in Wausau, WI, on July 1, 2021, with his beloved wife at his side. Denny married Carolyn "Carol" Elaine Ericson in 1960, three years after meeting on a blind date. Denny earned an



Associate's degree from the University of Minnesota. Following a brief stint running Neill's Custom Draperies, he signed on as a dispatcher with Univac in Roseville in 1961 where his dedication and hard work

were recognized with promotions. The family relocated to Iowa in 1979 after he became production manager at the new Sperry Univac plant in Clear Lake; six years later they moved to Jackson, MN, when he became plant manager there. Two additional moves ensued before he retired from Unisys after 34 years. Denny enjoyed nothing more than being at the family cabin at the lake. Despite spending every other weekend at the cabin, "vacation" was traveling farther north to the Minnesota-Canada border to fish. He also enjoyed hunting, games of bocce and volleyball and working projects with lake neighbors. He was fond of his golden retrievers, never tired of pulling water-skiers or taking weekenders from the Twin Cities on leisurely boat rides, and he offered kids the thrill of putting their hands on the wheel to drive. Upon retirement, Denny and Carol rebuilt the lake house to accommodate year-round living. They joined the Log Church in Crosslake where he was as an elder and served two terms as church chairman. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Roosevelt and Lawrence Area Lake Association (RALALA). Denny will be remembered for his stern glances, playful smiles and big heart. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Carol Neill, two children, four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and other family.

Kenneth J. "Ken" Oehlers – Age 89, of Kettering, Ohio, passed away peacefully June 28, 2021, after being visited by all of his children and most of his grandchildren during his time in hospice care. Ken was the first high



school and college graduate in his family, and a proud Army veteran and electrical engineer, earning his degree from the University of Minnesota. He also earned a law degree from William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, studying nights while working full-time designing early generation computers and raising a young family. Ken was the logic design supervisor for the CP-901 computer in 1967, reporting to Finley McCleod; reporting to him for that were Lowell Benson, memory interface; John Bonnes, arithmetic section; and George Kydd, I/O control. After checkout of the first CP-901, he was manager of the AN/UYK-7 logic design. Ken's career took the family from the Twin Cities area to New Jersey, Washington, California, Utah and Ohio, where Ken finished his career and he and Rose lived until their deaths. Over his career he worked with Boeing, Sperry Univac and NCR, from which he retired in 1994. Ken and Rose spent the next 20 years traveling the world, with trips to China and Africa the most special to them, and as faithful Catholics, attending mass at cathedrals around the world. Ken was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Rosemary C. Oehlers (nee Collins), a grandson and other family, and survived by his 8 children, 18 grandchildren, 5 greatgrandchildren and many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Charles Wilford Peterson – Age 84, of Apple Valley, MN, passed away July 30, 2021. Charles was an electrical engineer with Unisys until his retirement, joined the VIP Club, but was inactive since 2017. He led an active life as a valued



member of his church community and was the greatest of role models for his loving family; he loved God, his family and his country. Charles is survived by his wife of 60 years, Virginia, two children, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Stanley C. Rogowski** – Age 90, passed away June 6, 2021. Stanley was retired from Unisys, Roseville, after 35 years. He worked out of his home punching plastic tubing for the greenhouse industry the last 25 years.



He enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching Twins baseball and Vikings football, and also viewed many grandkids' softball, baseball and hockey games. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Joanne, and two sons, and is preceded in death by two sons and a grandson.

Richard Carl Ruth – Age 79 of Apple Valley, MN, and known by all as "Dick", passed away on July 21, 2021. Dick retired 18 years ago as a computer programmer at Unisys in Roseville. The highlight of Dick's childhood was



a six-month trip to Sweden with his immigrant parents when he was six to visit family. He would tell you he had the best childhood, and he loved being a dad and grampa. Dick enjoyed camping with family and friends, boating, hunting, staying with family at their cabin, birdwatching, photography, houseboating with special friends on Lake Vermillion, short vacations exploring the Midwest with friends, live theatre, nature and history, winter months on Hilton Head Island, SC in retirement, and entertaining at home. Dick was very sick this last year with emphysema, but loved watching his backyard wildlife for entertainment. Dick is survived by his loving wife, Linda Susan, two children and six grandchildren. Dick's happy and quirky outlook on life put a smile on everyone's face and will be missed by his family and many friends.

Norman Henry Theiste – Age 87 of Maple Grove, MN, died June 27, 2021. Norman "Norm" graduated from the U of M, then worked as an engineer for 40 years and retired from Lockheed Martin in 1999. He was a VIP Club member. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Susan, 5 children, 13 grandchildren, 6 great-

grandchildren and two brothers and will be greatly missed by all.

Michael D. Thoma – Age 72 of Cannon Falls, MN, passed away June 16, 2021. Michael served in the United States Navy from 1967 to 1972, after which he worked at Unisys for many years. Michael is survived by two



siblings, nieces, nephews and other family and friends.

Douglas and Anna Zamow – Douglas "Doug", age 78, and Anna "Ann" (Hendrickson), age 77 would have been married for 57



and Anna "Ann" (Hendrickson), age 77, would have been married for 57 years on July 25th, 2021; they made their home in Coon Rapids, MN. Doug passed away on June 13, 2021 at JA Wedum Hospice Care. Ann

passed away on April 15, 2021 at the Park River Estates Transitional Care Center. Doug attended St. Thomas University and retired from Unisys after working there for 39 years. Ann attended the University of Minnesota; in 1998 she retired from the Anoka Hennepin School District, where she was a paraprofessional and touched the lives of countless children. Ann loved attending the Minnesota State Fair, keeping up with her Target gals and getting together with her high school friends. Some of Doug's interests included trap shooting and planning his Watertown, SD high school reunions. Ann and Doug enjoyed the Buddy Holly celebration's music and dance in Mason City every year. Ann and Doug leave behind two sons and three grandchildren.

#### **ON THE LIGHTER SIDE**

#### The Haircut

One day a florist went to a barber for a haircut. After the cut, he asked about his bill, and the barber replied, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." The florist was pleased and left the shop.

When the barber went to open his shop the next morning, there was a Thank You card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door.

Later, a cop comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replied, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." The cop was happy and left the shop.

The next morning when the barber went to open up, there was a Thank You card and a dozen donuts waiting for him at his door.

Then, a Congressman came in for a haircut, and when he went to pay his bill, the barber again replied, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." The Congressman was very happy and left the shop.

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The next morning when the barber went to open up, there were a dozen Congressmen lined up waiting for a free haircut!

#### And Then . . .

Never in a million years could I have imagined I would go up to a bank teller wearing a mask and asking for money!



This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her dog. It was obvious she thought her dog understood her. I came into my house and told my cat . . . We laughed . . . A lot!!



#### **CLUB CONTACT DATA**

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Include me in the Club's Directory? □Yes or □No. DIRECTORY is only available to Members and Associates!							

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#### **PERIODIC SOCIAL GROUPS**

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

#### Monthly Breakfast Gathering

Monthly Lunch Gatherings Formerly at Stark's → 

1st Tuesday (engineering & drafting) at 11:00 a.m. – 
Casper's Cherokee of Eagan, 4625 Nicols Rd. 
Coordinator Keith Behnke: 651-587-2591.

- 2nd Tuesday 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.
- 2nd Wednesday at 11 a.m. Baker's Square, Northtown, 221 Co. Rd. 10 NE, Blaine, MN
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 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**

 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 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