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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear PRA Members.

At our May Luncheon and Business Meeting four Board members were reelected to serve a three-year term. They are Robert Bacon, Beverly Carothers, William J. Rosen, and Robert Ruckstuhl. After having served the maximum of 3 3-year terms Bill Aitken and Al Hyland retired from the Board. Again a heart felt thanks to Bill and Al for their long service. Elected to fill their openings were John Alden Hall and Susan McCusker. John worked in the Red and White Lab, 1967 – 1982 and Susan worked in the Camera Div. and Marketing, 1976 – 2003. We extend a warm welcome to both John and Susan.

At the June Board of Directors meeting the following were elected as officers: Jim Grunst, President; Doris Harriman, First Vice President; and Richard Rosenblatt, Second Vice President.

Our Fall Luncheon will be held at Lantana's on October 19. Our speaker will be Dr. Florian Kaps. Dr. Kaps was the Co-Founder of the Impossible Project, an effort to re-invent instant film. The project started in 2008 with a small team of ex-Polaroid employees from the Polaroid Factory in Enschede, Holland. In 2010 The Impossible Project introduced three re-invented instant films. This program should be especially interesting so while it is on your mind fill out the reservation in this newsletter and mail it in.

Also regarding the Fall Luncheon, the Board has voted to raise the price of the Luncheon from \$20.00 to \$25.00. This was done after much discussion. The Luncheon price to members had been held constant since 2002, but the costs were rising over this period of time. This price increase will put us more in sync with the current costs.

Enjoy the summer and we look forward to seeing you at the October 19 Luncheon.

Jim Grunst. President

# Board of Directors

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# POLAROID NEWS, INFORMATION, NOTICES & ARTICLES

# Whatever happened to Polaroid?

Do you ever get asked this or similar questions? Here is information gathered from various articles posted on the PRA Website Bulletin Board, to help you respond to such requests, and to explain some of the remaining elements of the old Polaroid.

Polaroid Corporation filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in October 2001, and since then the corporation has gone through several transitions, ownerships, and corporate names.

Following the initial bankruptcy, the Polaroid name and most of the assets were sold to One Equity Partners, a subsidiary of Bank One, which continued to operate under the Polaroid name and officially operated under the name of Polaroid Holding Company (PHC). The original Polaroid changed its name to Primary PDC Inc., which was an administrative shell used to receive what payments could be obtained in the bankruptcy and make partial payments to creditors.

**PBE Corporation**--In 2005, Petters Group Worldwide, an organization formed by Thomas Petters of Minneapolis purchased the Polaroid name and assets and continued to operate Polaroid under the official name of PBE Corporation. PBE Corporation wound down remaining manufacturing operations, sold off assets, and developed new Polaroid products for sale under the Polaroid name. Mary Jeffries was CEO. Thomas Petters was discovered to be running a Ponzi scheme and PBE Corporation was forced into bankruptcy again in 2008. During this bankruptcy, the Polaroid name and remaining operations were purchased by PLR IP Holdings, a joint venture of Hilco Consumer Capital Corporation and Gordon Brothers Brands LLC. Thomas Petters is now in prison. PBE was the owner of the Polaroid art sold by Sotherby's in early 2010.

**PLR IP Holdings**--A joint venture of Hilco Consumer Capital Corporation and Gordon Brothers Brands LLC. PLR IP Holdings owns the Polaroid name and is conducting operations under that name from offices at 4350 Baker Road Minnetonka, MN 55343-8684. PLR IP Holdings has a deal with Lady Gaga to promote and design products. PLR IP Holdings donated some Polaroid Archives to MIT. Bobby Sagar is Chairman and Scott W. Hardy is President of PLR IP Holdings.

Impossible B.V. and The Impossible Project--A Company directed by Florian Kaps, an Austrian, who purchased the Enschede plant and is running an effort to produce a re-invented Polaroid film. The Impossible Project is selling the last stocks of the old "Polaroid Film" and the new films via retail stores in NYC (425 Broadway), Vienna, and Berlin, as well as via the internet. Former Polaroid employee Dan Cence's company has been hired to do order fulfillment in the US for the Impossible Project. Dr. Florian Kaps has agreed to be the speaker at the PRA's Fall Luncheon Meeting on Oct. 19, 2011.

**Summit Global Group(www.thesummitglobalgroup.com)** --Summit Global Group has a licensing agreement with PLR IP Holdings and The Impossible Project to relaunch camera and film products using the Polaroid name. Lorence A. Hamer is Chairman. Giovanni Tomaselli is CEO and Managing Director. John Lavery, an ex-Polaroid Procurement manager is VP-Media Group. Summit also distributes products from Zink Imaging. Summit is headquartered in Salt Lake City, with offices in New Jersey, Boston, Tokyo and Hong Kong.

**PolaPremium USA**--A US based effort started by David Bias and Anne Bowerman to purchase stocks of the original Polaroid film and cameras and resell them. PolaPremium has been purchased by Impossible B.V.

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**Zink Imaging-**-Bedford, Mass. An outgrowth of research from Polaroid which is producing a printer, called the Polaroid Zink Pogo Instant Digital Printer.

**Rt 128 Site--**Now owned by Boston Developer Sam Park & Co. The site had been under development by Watch City Development, a partnership of Polaroid Corporation (the Petters operation) and The Related Companies. That effort floundered and was taken over by an affiliate of the German Bank Helaba and PB Capital, which sold to Sam Park & Co.

**Polaroid Eyeware**--Polaroid Eyeware is owned by US sunglass company StyleMart and continues to manufacture 4-5 million pairs of lens a year at the old Vale plant in Scotland.

**Konarka**--Company that is currently using the old NB-6 building (which we considered the "new" New Bedford plant) to make solar panels.

**Laidlaw Energy Group, Inc.**--Company that purchased the old NB power plant in early 2011. The power plant provides heat and steam to the NB-6 Konarka operation. Laidlaw has announced plans to also provide electricity, and hopes to expand to support other nearby plants.

**ScreenCheck North America LLC**--a Ft Wayne Indiana organization that purchased Polaroid's Commercial ID Division.

**20 x 24 Studio**--A venture being run by former Polaroid employee John Reuter using the 20 x 24 Polaroid Camera.

**Harvard Business School Baker Library**--The archives of Polaroid Business Records were given to Baker Library, which is currently cataloging the massive amount of information that they received.

**MIT**--Received the Polaroid archives of products, research materials, etc.

Steve Berry PRA Board

# 640 Memorial Drive gets new Prime Tenant

Old 640MD employees might be interested to know that the building has taken on a new life and new occupant. While still owned by MIT Investment Management Company, the building welcomed new tenant Sanofi-Aventis in April, according to an article in a 5/2/11 Banker & Tradesman insert. The pharmaceutical giant is completing construction on a new laboratory and office facility at the site. The article described the installation of four chillers, each weighing approximately 25,000 pounds which were installed by Marr Rigging Company through a street level opening that allowed less than two inches of clearance, followed by lowering them into the basement. Over 1000 piping assemblies were modeled and prefabricated off site for installation by Watertown based J.C. Cannistraro, LLC, a mechanical and fire protection trade contractor. The general contractor for the project was Turner Construction, a firm that has a long history of projects for Polaroid Corporation.

# Save The Day, FALL LUNCHEON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2011

# **List of Attendees at The Spring Luncheon**

Adams, Dick Adams, Jim Aitken, Bill Aitken, Carolyn Alioto, Pat Amirault, Victor Ariola, Maria Atkins, Ken Aucoin, Bill Avtges, Jim Aznavorian, Art Bacon, Bob Banks, Cordelia Barletta, Adriana Barr, Charlie Barron, Larry (Davis) Barrows, Debbie Barrows, Fred Bartlett. Muriel Bartlett, Walter Bassfield-Clarke, Susie Bayer, David Beard, Ron Bellofatto, Joanne Bennett, John Bennett, Phyllis Benson, Janet Berry, Steve Bessette, Bob Betts, Martin Biber. Connie Bierre. Don Bierre, Mae Blackburn, Jane Blake, Jack Bolanger, Dorothy Bolanger, William Bontempo, Art Bonvouloir, Peg Booth-Beaumont, Sheryl Borghesani, Roger Bornemann, Al Bourbeau, Frank Bowen, Connie Bowlby, Jeanette Bowlby, Ronald Bowles, Dave Boyle, Paula Bradley, Jo Brayton, Chris Brezezinski, Phil Briss, Herb Brogna, Bev Brown, Henry Brown, Marie Brown, Marvin Brown, Merit

Byron, Walter Callender, Godfrey Callender, Ora L. Camelo, Carl Candela, Frank Caplan, Ed Carchedi, Joe Carlos, Alexandrina Charles, Ron Chelmow, Larry Chester, Willie Clapp, Patricia Clapp, Roger Clarke, Michael Clarke, Vic Coates, Arthur Cohen, Lenard Condon, Ann Condon, Dick Condon, Olive Connolly, Betty Copeland, Bill Coppa, Rich Corriero, Helen Coyle, Bill Cronin, Mort Cummings, Larry Cunningham, Bill Cunningham, Dick Cunningham, Robert Curran, Katherine Dearruda, Bob DeBenedictis, Janet Delaney, David Delpico, Joe Denk, Ed Dentch, Milt DeWolfe, Jim Di Giusto, Jean Dickson, Bob Dickson, Mary Dijanni, Nino Doherty, Louise Doiron, Art Donaghy, Al Donohue, Chuck Donohue, Mary Donovan, Betsy Duffey, John Dugay, Denny Dunn, Mike Dutra, Wink Eaton, Bob

Emma, Sal

Epps, Lois

Faria, Rosa

Faria, Helena

Enwright, Thomas

Fatkin, Harry Fennessey, Regina Finitsis, John Finnemore, Fred Fisher, Sylvana Ford, Stan Forman, Earl Foster, Don Fredie, Dee Freeman, Marguerite Gantert, Joe Garland, Arthur Gaudet, Kathy Geary, Bob Gedrich, Keith Gelenian, Alice Gilardi, Nancy Gjeltema, Peter Gogolin, Larry Gonski, John Good, Doris Graf, Bob Gray, Annie Grunst, Jim Hall, John Alden Hall, Carol Hall, Maryann Hall, Wayne Hallquist, Gus Hammond, Reggie Haring, Geraldine Haring, Robert Harriman, Doris Harrington, Jack Hart, Corinne Hatfield, Judy Hennessy, Dick Hennessy, Jack Henry, Paul E. Hocking, Bill Hocking, Judy Hoffman, Harry Hollaran, Ted Holmes. Steve Hughes, Quentin Hyland, Al Isgur, Sue Jackson, Touie James, Melba Johnson, Bruce Johnson, Edyie Jones, Flo Jordan, Red Joyce, Al Kanter, Gene Kearney, Jack Kelley, Lucille

Kilroy, Irene A. Kilroy, James J. King, Robert Knowles, June Lally, Tom Langston, Laraine Larden, Jim Lawler, Tom Lawson, Kent Leader, Bill Levangie, Bob Libby, Al Livadas, Dolly Livadas, Nick Lordan, Lorraine Lorge, Bernie Louis, Marigold Lubin, Paul Lyons, Doug MacKenzie. Bobbie Mahoney, Tim Manning, Bob Manning, Monis Mariano, Joe Martins, Joan Martins, Lou Marzuolo, Mary Masters Masteralexis, George Mathis, Dorothy McCormack, Josephine McCormack, Leo McCusker, Susan McDonald, Richard McGaffigan, Bobbie McGaffigan, Connie McGovern, Nancy McGuire, Betty McLelland, Bette McLelland, Ted McNeil, Ed McNeill, Bob McNeill. Rosie McPherson, Doris McPherson, Julia Mehta, Avi Messina, Fred Mills, Harvey Milton, Tom Mohr, Jack Mollenhauer, Jerry Montague, Marie Moore, Lillian F. Morris, Barbara Morris, Cleveland Morrison, Don Morse, John Motuzas, Ed

Munchmeyer, Ray Murphy, Dennis J. Murphy, Tim Murray, George Nangeroni, Bob Nangeroni, Paul Norquist, Carol Norquist, Warren Norvaisa, Casey O'Brien, Cathy O'Brien, Jim O'Connell, Gene Ogilvie, Dick Ogilvie, Harriet O'Leary, Irene O'Leary, Paul Osman, Marty Palazzi, Dottie Parise, Perry Parise. Sister Elizabeth Pawl, Jeff Pawl, Ken Pelletier, Lou Perkins, Joe Photiou, Photios J. Pochini, Bob Prebensen, Peggie Prendergast, John Prendergast, John R. Qualls, Loretta Rainho, Joe Reimann, George Reimann, Nancy Ricci, Al Rickter, Don Rickter, Don Rickter, Phyllis Rickter, Phyllis Riley, Patricia Robertsson, Janet (Pitts) Robertsson, Bob Rodriguez, Tom Rolley, Ruby Rosen, Bill Rosen, Carmela Rosenblatt, E. Richard Rowley, Addison Ruckstuhl, Bob Ruddick, Phil Rudy, Larry Ryan, Dan Sammarco, Anna Sanders, Neil

Scott, Deborah

Scott, Dewitt

Scott, Elsie Scott, Lola Seeley, Ron Seiden, Myron Allen Shea, Ruthann Shepherd, Roger Simonds, Kay Simoni, Francesca Smith, Lvdia Snyder, Francine Snyder, Herb Sorrentino, Frank Sorrentino, Linda Spear, Peter St. Lawrence, Dick St. Lawrence, Linda Stamps, Narvous Stanavich, Peg Stieger, Frank Stoloff, Murray Stone, Grace Stone, Joe Sugrue, Dan Sullivan, Terry Tammaro, Nick Tanguay, Lee Tauriac, Gladys Terry, Dick Terry, Joe Thomas, Bill Trindall, Dick Troiano, Mal Trundy, Dennis Tyson, Jack Utrera, Joanne Valente, Sam Valle, Claude Valle, David Valle, Marie Varney, Dick Vecht, Donnie Voss. Frank Vozzella. Jim Wagner, Leo Waldron, John Wallace, Bob Wallis, Gordon Weir, Donald Westgate, Len Whalen, Charlie Williams, Fred Williams, Tiny Wilsack, Dick Winston, Barry Wright, Pat Young, Rob Zagame, Anthony

Mulone, Joe

Kennedy, Bill

Kilroy, Bill

# **Photos - Spring Luncheon - 2011**



# Raffle Winners - Spring Luncheon - 2011

**\$100 Grand Prize Winner**Bill Cunningham

\$100 "Life After Polaroid" Winner

Herbert S. Mingace

**\$50 Prize Winners**Frank Candela, Melba James,
Peg Bonvouloir,

Dick Condon, Phil Brzezinski

#### **Bottle of Wine**

Ken Pawl, Nancy Gilardi, Jack Kearney, Peter Spear Herb Briss, John Finitsis, Dick Wilsack, Tiny Williams, Dick Varney

#### **Luncheon Ticket Winners**

Dan Sugrue, Peter Gjeltema, Bob Dickson, Arthur Aznavorian, Josephine McCormack

#### Scratch Tickets

Annie Gray, Charlie Barr, Tom Milton, Martin Betts, Jean Reynolds, Ruth Anne Shea, Muriel Bartlett

# "Life After Polaroid"

#### Remember to include your name and years of employment at the "old" Polaroid.

Send your "Life after Polaroid" information to:

Bill Rosen - *Editor, Newsletter,* 112 Meadow Lane, Randolph, MA 02368 or send it email to pranewsletter@comcast.net

A prize for \$100.00 dollars will be awarded at the <u>Spring Luncheon</u> (attendance not necessary) for **PRA MEMBERS Only..** who send in information about their "Life after Polaroid"

George Chaline writes...Dear BOD, I am late in wishing you a Happy New Year and the main thing at our ages, a good health. Many thanks, also, for mailing the NewsLetter, unfortunately, the "In Memoriam" pages are too many. Here we have a better climate. I have still some flowers in the garden.

Few days ago, front page in the "Figaro" newspaper, our well known singer, was pictured with one of our well remembered Polaroid Cameras. I thought you would appreciate it.

If you have the occasion, share my best wishes with our Officers and Directors. Dear BOD, it is a pleasure to mail you this letter.

I am most sincerely yours. George Chaline. (Callian, France 28 Jan. 2011)

Wink Dutra writes...This past year has been eventful with my usual vacation in Aruba, preceded with a trip to Alaska and the Canadian Rockies. My wife, Barbara and I are now visiting San Diego, CA followed by a cruise trip through the Panama Canal ending in Ft. Lauderdale. This will follow with golf in the Orlando area at our winter home. Golf has been good in Florida this winter.

Doris Grimard writes...After retirement on 5-11-84, I took several trips thru Europe, Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, China, Hawaii, Alaska, 2 times thru the Panama Canal. In the summer, I drove my motor home north and thru Canada to visit friends and relatives. In 1987, I and cousin toured the U.S for 3 1/2 months. After 18 years, I sold it and went up with the car but didn't like living out of a suitcase and different beds every few days. I am now a full-time Floridian.

Quentin E. Hughes, Jr. writes...During my 25 years at Polaroid I worked in the H R Group at Waltham and Cambridge, then with the New Bedford start up team and "Project 60", moving into Raw Materials Testing and finally Material

Control. I took the early retirement in 1985 option at the age of 53 with no intention to "retire". After taking the required courses I obtained Real Estate Salesman and Broker licenses and sold real estate for two years before it became clear that my forte was in appraisal, more consistent with the skills learned at Polaroid. After more courses became a licensed real estate appraiser and have been working as an independent "fee appraiser" since, concentrating now on commercial real estate appraising. Ironically my "second career" is now longer than my Polaroid career

My wife Marilyn and our family enjoy spending summers at our second home on the Cape in Falmouth and during the fall following Boston College football through the last 25 seasons at home games and bowl games and away trips to Notre Dame, West Point, Dallas, Miami and the "Flutie Pass" game, Arizona, Hawaii, San Francisco and Jacksonville.

We have spent several winter and spring vacations in Naples, Florida and travelled to Ireland, Rome and Venice, Montreal and Washington D. C.

Life is good! We're busy and active, healthy and happy!

Walter Kelly, Jr. writes...I am still living quite comfortably at the North Hill in Needham. This is a continuing care retirement community and I've been here almost 10 years. I still drive my car but need a cane to assist walking. Dick Young is also living here.

June A. Knowles writes...Post Polaroid ~3 years at Museum of Science working for Operations Manager - a great experience. Still cherishing my wanderings along the Maine Coast, by land or sea, my favorite world. It inspires poetry. Since '04, I've worked a two-day week as Admin. Asst. at Belmont Council on Aging. I want to thank the PRA Board for all they do to

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continue our gatherings. At each lunch, I look around and give thanks for the unique treasure that continues. The PRA and its caring people, the "old Polaroid", in the best sense of those words

Charles Nichols writes...My wife Susan retired as Postmaster in May 2010. We started out traveling around Arizona, New Mexico and Utah (lots of hiking). We're leaving February 8, 2011 for trips that we combined with friends. We'll meet in different parts of the country. We expect to finish in early August 2011. We enjoy hiking around Indian ruins and Canyons, traveling to Bermuda, and dining out. It's as much fun planning a trip as it is executing. My only job is managing Waterfront Park in Newburyport. Sue's only job is planning trips.

**George Norton writes...**Living the dream in "The Villages" in Florida, Playing Golf, pickleball and softball every week. Making a lot of new friends from all across the country. Enjoying retirement thanks to a tremendous 42 year career at Polaroid. Good Health and Bless you all.

**Tom Sawyer writes...**I worked at 600 Main Street, Pilot Reagent Group, Dept. 725, for 25 years in Cambridge and in W2-3 for 7 years. Left Polaroid in 2002 and I am now working the past 9 years at the R&D Company (Organix) Woburn. Planning on retiring in April. Living in Windham, NH. Would like to say "HI" to all my Polaroid friends.

Buddy Stagnone writes...from time to time I look at the retirees Newsletter and see some faces that bring back so many fond memories. of my 23 years at Polaroid. I am glad that so many of the people I knew are still looking good.. Bill Aucoin, he and I taught the camera work shops to all the employees in the reservoir and had a ball doing it. I left Polaroid in 1989, and went to work for a bank as a bill collector, that was a rude awaking of what the out side world was like after Polaroid. After 8 years of that retired and my wife and I now spend our

winters in Myrtle Beach South Carolina, With a sweater you can play golf, maybe two sweaters some times, it does get chilly, but so does Florida. We like it there for the number of activities... there are lots of live entertainment, tons of restaurants, and over 100 golf courses. The Legions and Elks all offer dinner for 8 bucks, a pitcher of beer for 4 or 5 bucks and there is a band to dance to on Friday and Saturday nights from 6.30 to 9.30, just right for our age group, home by 10pm. We also attend the senior center's dances for 7 dollars, bring your own drinks, soft drinks and coffee are supplied, a live band plays all the good old music. We rent on a golf course and we can walk to the course, play a round of golf, of course we walk the course and we walk home, throw in a few night of cards and life is fun you never see a frown on a face, its smiles and fun, we are all there for the same thing, enjoyment of our last years. Maria and I just celebrated our 55th anniversary and look forward to many more.

We wish you all the very best, Al Hyland, Steve Berry, and a lot of faces that the names escape me at this moment. If any one sees, Frank Ronski, Bill Wilson, John Rosa, Ralph Pettingil, John Lavangies, please say hi to them for me.

Alfreda Stokes writes...I left Polaroid after working 20 years on November 30, 1988. I worked at Tech Square, Inner City, Main Street and Totten Pond Road. I left one of the most cutting edge, forward thinking companies that ever existed. Some of the best systems were set up for employees to learn, grow and feel a part of the success of Polaroid. Since then, I have received a M.Ed. in Psychological Counseling from Cambridge College and worked in the mental health field with students, communities and a private hospital with the knowledge that I gained. I returned to corporate America in 1998 to work for Fidelity Investments as an Associate to a Senior Level Executive in the Legal Department. I'm thinking of retiring next year, but not sure yet what I will do. I am looking forward to my new membership and extremely excited to meet old friends at the next affair!

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# **IN MEMORIAM**

Alfano, Mario F. - Mario, 52, April 18, 2011, son of Domenic and June Alfano, brother of Paul, Kathy, Jack and Carla, uncle of Will Alfano, Nephew of Dr. Joseph and Susan DiTroia.



Anderson, Kenneth W. - Kenneth, died June 10, 2011. Husband of Gail L. Anderson (Miller), father of Kenneth "Chip" Anderson and his wife Shannon, and Darryl Anderson and his partner Greg White, also survived by four grandchildren. His lengthy business career included Polaroid Corp. and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

**Blake, Maureen Theresa** - Maureen, 77, April 16, 2011, was employed for 26 years as a Laboratory Technician with the Polaroid Corporation, Waltham. She married George Edward Blake and had been married for the past 55 years.



Bogardus, Peter Baldwin - Peter, 81, April 18, 2011 is survived by his wife, Shirley, children Betsyann, Andrew (wife Kerry) and Peter Jr. and grandchildren, Ryan, Henry, Natalie, and Addison. Early in his career, Peter, for twelve years



worked as a salesman for the Polaroid Company

Briggs, Joyce - Joyce, 79, November 13, 2010, is survived by her husband Bob, daughter and son-in-law Lori and George Bond, and granddaughters Sarah and Molly, a son James Michael Briggs and his children Justin, Kayla, Marissa and Jared Briggs; a niece and her husband Debbie (Picco) and Lucian Wiles. She worked at Polaroid during the mid 90's.

**Campbell, Penelope** - Penelope, 61, March 18, 2011. She applied her exceptional administrative skills in life and work at the Chart House, Polaroid Exhibits and the MGH Ragon Institute.

Carroll, Thomas R. - Thomas, 76 died June 1, 2011. He was the husband of Jane Campos Carroll. Father of John, Jim, David and Mary Carroll. The brother of William, Leigh, Nancy, Madeleine and Michael Carroll and Christine Blanthorn. He was a PRA Member.



Chase, Paul Jerome - Paul, 64, March 3, 2011 is predeceased by his wife Dianne Mullins and brother Louis. He was employed at Polaroid for over 20 years as a Tool and Die Maker and developed a passion for photography. Survivors are Paul, Dorise and Dara; three grandchildren, two great grandchildren;

four sisters, and many family and friends and also cared for more than 22 foster children.

**Chubb, Lewis (Bill) III** - Bill, 69, April 22, 2011, is survived by his wife Rose, son Chip (wife Marybeth), sister Margaret Evers and his granddaughter Madigan. He was a long time employee of Polaroid Corp. and Pixley Richards Inc.

Cobleigh, Roy K. Sr. - Roy, 84, died May 13, 2010. was a plumber for Polaroid in Waltham, MA. He was a US Navy veteran, serving during World War II. He is survived by his wife Kathleen, son Roy, daughter Denise (husband George), stepchildren Sheila Morin, Thomas O'Donnell Jr., and John O'Donnell, 15 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Crowley, Brendan J. - Brendan, 59, May 17, 2011 worked as an engineer for Polaroid, Instrumentation Laboratory. He is survived by his wife Cristina M. Crowley, children Kathleen B. McCoy, George M. (USAF) and (wife Jennifer), Colleen Crowley, Lara Cori and Allyson



Crowley, five grandchildren. Former husband of Kathleen and brother John, Maureen, Peggy, and Dennis. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends

**Durgin, Robert A.** - Bobby, 70, April 7, 2011, husband of Carolyn, for many years was an electronic technician for Clevite, Tyco Labs, Polaroid and NASA. His survivors are Lyn (husband John). Robert Jr. (wife Debra), Bryan and Eli-



sha, Diana (husband Mark) grandfather of Gabrielle, Gianna and Aubree.

Elrick, Virginia - "Ginnie", 87, April 1, 2011, wife of the late Heman "Al", worked at Polaroid Corporation, Waltham, as a telephone Operator. She is survived by her four children,10 grand-children and 5 great grandchildren. She was a member of the PRA.



Folan, Mary F. (Grady) - Mary, 90, April 28, 2011, is predeceased by her husband Francis and is survived by son, Francis (wife Mary Lou), Kevin (wife Geraldine, and Kathleen, grandchildren Kevin, Francis and Ryan, brothers and sisters, and many nieces and nephews. She was a former employee of Polaroid Corporation.

Golden, Leo Francis - Leo, 83, April 27, 2011, retired from Polaroid after 40 years of contribution in

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planning and overseeing construction of their many facilities. He is survived by wife Jean of 55 years, four sons, Robert and (wife Georgia), Richard (wife Candace), Martin (wife Joanne), and Phillip (partner Joe Curl). Leo also leaves behind four grandchildren and two great- grandchildren.

**Grinnell, James Eyre** - James, 81, April 11, 2011, worked for Polaroid for thirteen years. He is survived by wife, Mary Lou and children James, Sharon, and Kevin, four grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

**Haswell, Harold H.** - Harold, 87, died April 5, 2010. For many years he was a Product Tester for Polaroid Corp in Waltham. He is survived by many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Holahan, Frederick S. - Frederick "Fred", 81, May 20, 2011 was a Senior Physical Research Scientist at Polaroid Corporation, Waltham, MA and retired after 30 years. He is survived by his wife Rose and children Susan Mueller (husband Gary), Frederick S. Jr. and Kathy Farrell, Marylou Hughes



(husband Robert), Lisa Sheehy (husband Michael), Carol Holahan and Stephen Holahan (wife Christina), 14 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He was a member of the PRA.

Jaros, Walter A. - Walter, 89, April 15, 2011 was the husband of the late Emily Jaros. He was employed at Polaroid until his retirement. Survivors are son, Michael, Diane (wife); sister, Virginia A. Larsen; 2 grandchildren, Daniel and Kimberly Jaros, and niece and nephew. He was a member of the PRA.

**Maitland, Catherine Viola** - "Kay", 85, March 4, 2011, is survived by son William Jr. (wife Jo); niece Patricia her grand-niece Jeanne; nephews Paul, Steven, and Barry; four granddaughters and ten greatgrandchildren. She was a long time employee of both Carter's Inc. and Polaroid.

Norton, Richard F. - Richard, 85, April 2, 2011, worked at Polaroid at W2-W4, Enschede and Scotland, and helped get the factory open in the last two places. He also worked in Personnel and retired in 1983. He is predeceased by his wife Alice. Survivors are sons, Ricky, Paul



(Pat), and Robert (Maureen); daughters, Allison (Bill), Kathy (Bill) and Lisa (Tom); sister, Jeanne (Peter); 16 grand-children; and 17 great- grandchildren. He was a member of the PRA.

O'Hara, William Francis - Bill, 85, April 14, 2011, husband of the late Mary-Jean and is survived by his sister Gertrude Burn and brother-in law, John, sons William (Phal), Brian (Paula), Joseph (Mary Ann), Thomas (Catherine) and a daughter, Brenda J. Kingdon (BJ), 12 grandfather of twelve and a loving uncle to numerous nieces and nephews. He was a WWII veteran, serving honorably in two branches of the service. Bill was a dedicated employee of Polaroid Corporation for 38 years, and was a proud member of the "Cement Heads". He was a member of the PRA.

Shepard, Marcella V. - Marcella, 61, April 17, 2011, is survived by husband, Vincent Shepard; a daughter, Megin, husband Michael Scotton; a son, Scott Sawyer; five step-children; Shirley, Teddy, Jeff, Steven and John; four grand-



children and five step-grandchildren; two sisters, and three brothers. Marcy, was a long time Analytical Tech in W4. Her husband Vincent is Teddy Shepard a long time Coating Tech in W4.

**Simmons**, **Richard J. -** Dick, April 29, 2011, is survived by his wife Mary, son Rick, Bob, (wife Marilyn), Joe (wife Erin), Tom, Jim (wife Alisa, Dave (wife Lisa) and twenty one grandchildren, brother Francis and sister Jacqueline McDonald. Dick, worked in Pack Film and Corporate Finance for many years,

Thomas, John J. Jack - John, 68, April 16, 2011, worked for the Polaroid Corp. of Waltham, MA. He is survived by his wife Susan, sons, Christopher A. and Andrew W. Thomas, a sister, Dorothea Vitrac, brother-in-law, Thomas Lower (wife Sharon), nieces, Kathryn, JoAnne, Sharon, Charlene and Souneva, nephews, Scott, Bill, John, Tom, Laurant and great nieces and nephews. He was a member of the PRA.

Whelan Harold W. Jr - "Harry", June 12, 2010, was a retiree of Polaroid Corporation, having worked there for 27 years. He is survived by his wife Lorraine, sons Robert (wife Katherine), Ronald (wife Paula), Raymond (wife Kimberly), and Richard and eight grandchildren. He was a member of the PRA.

Winstead Nora Poland - Nora, 68, April 11, 2011, She was a Critical Path Methodology (CPM) Scheduler in the construction division of Polaroid Corporation. While at Polaroid, she became a software developer. She is survived by her sister, Kate Poland Downes, David (husband), nieces Maggie and Brigid.



# THE SPRING LUNCHEON WAS A BIG SUCCESS! MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FALL CELEBRATION OCTOBER 19, 2011

# PRA FALL LUNCHEON LANTANA'S RESTAURANT, RANDOLPH, MA WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2011

AGENDA
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8:30 - 9:30 am. **REGISTRATION** - Coffee & Pastries

10:00 am. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** - Grand Prize Drawing

**GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Florian Kaps** 

11:00 am. CASH BAR - SOCIAL HOUR

12:00 pm. SEATED FOR LUNCH1:15 pm. RAFFLE DRAWINGS

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# Entrée Selections

<u>Chicken Picatta</u> with Lemon Wine Sauce and Capers, Served with Rice Pilaf

<u>Baked Boston Scrod</u> Served with a New England Ritz Cracker Topping on a bed of Rice Pilaf Chef's Choice of Vegetable and Breads

Appetizer, Classic Caesar Salad, Dessert, Peach Cobbler, Coffee or Tea.

Name Desired on Name Tag	FISH	CHICKEN

Please Note: We will be unable to offer refunds for reservations cancelled after OCTOBER 12, 2011

In the event of an emergency, please call **Dick Gellis 508-877-8132** 

#### YOUR TICKET(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE RESERVATION TABLES NEAR THE ENTRANCE

<u>Please Note</u> - Due to local fire laws, Lantana's has limited us to 600 people. Please send your reservations in as soon as possible. We must return any reservations received beyond the 600 figure.

<u>Directions From Boston</u>: Take I-93 South ("Southeast Expressway") formerly 128 North - to Exit 5A (Randolph, Route 28 South). Turn right at the first set of lights onto Scanlon Drive (Shell Gas station on the corner). Lantana is at the end of Scanlon Drive on the right.

#### **Membership Messages**

We would ask you to look at this latest Newsletter address label and note the notification of how up to date you are with your dues payments.

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If you do not agree with the information on your dues payment please notify us so that we can correct any errors.

#### **Building 1 Waltham Breakfast Meetings**

Former W1 employees meet for breakfast twice a month. On the first Thursday, we have a business meeting to discuss investments; the third Thursday we just kibitz. Both meetings are at 9am at Friendly's on Lexington Street, Waltham, All are welcome.

This past April, the Cement Heads Association celebrated its 29TH Annual Reunion at the Hibernian Hall in Watertown. Over 70 former Bldg.W1 employees attended the affair enjoying great fun and a delicious catered dinner. Two "Cement Heads Of The Year" plaques were awarded to Joe Mulone and Al Libby. Also recognized was the committee who organized the party for the enjoyment of all the attendees.

April 27, 2012, will be the last reunion of the Cement Heads Association, and we expect to have over 100 Cement Heads and guests in attendance. More details will be available in future PRA Newsletters.

Contact Dick St. Lawrence at 508-877-9289 or dickstlawrence@yahoo.com or Dave O'Connell at 617-926-0379 or oconnelldavid@comcast.net if you wish to be added to the E-mail list.

#### The Trades Breakfast Meetings

will be at Bickfords Family Restaurant at 325 Montvale Ave, Woburn, Mass about a block from Route 93, directly across from Spuds. The schedule for the year 2011 is as follows: Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13. Meeting time is 8.30 AM. Hope to see you there. Any questions call Bob Sheehan at 781-246-2065

#### **New Bedford site Breakfast Meetings**

The first Saturday of each month former employees of the New Bedford site get together for breakfast. We meet at Percey's restaurant on Rte 18 in Middleborough at 8:30 AM. Spouses, significant others, etc. of the employees are always welcome. Contact Edyie Johnson (<a href="mailto:edyiej@comcast.net">edyiej@comcast.net</a>) for more information or to be put on my distribution listing..

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#### PRA wants Polaroid Alums - We Need Your Help to Recruit New Members

If you know any former employees of the "Old Polaroid" who are not members of the Polaroid Retirees Association, please tell them about us and give them a copy of the application that is in this Newsletter. Urge them to join - it only costs \$10 a year, and for that they get four newsletters, invitations to our luncheons twice a year, and a copy of our membership list with e-mail addresses. Our major requirement is that they worked for the "Old Polaroid," which means that they had a seniority date of before July 2002.

Urge your old Polaroid friends to join!

Bob Bacon New Member Recruitment