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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear PRA Members,

I hope this Newsletter finds spring on your doorstep. As I watch the approach of yet another Nor'easter today, I can't help but envy our members in warm climes. What a winter!

Two of our directors will have served their full, three-year terms by the time of the May members' meeting. Bill Rosen and Bob Bacon have each given nine years of fine service to the board but our by-laws limit board service to three terms, so they must resign. Thank you, Bob and Bill, for your fine work and good humor. We will miss your meeting presence tremendously.

The board needs suggestions for new members. Please let any one of the board members know who you think would make a good director. Maybe it's you! Thanks for your help.

The Land Plaque project is proceeding well. The plaque's fabrication is complete and has been delivered to Cambridge. Let me say that I think we all will feel great pride seeing it mounted on the wall outside the Osborn Street laboratory. We hope to display the plaque at the May members' meeting, so come see it. The dedication and celebration will be held at the October meeting.

Your response to the board's request for financial support for this project is most gratifying. The list of donors is presented in this Newsletter and I am proud to say that all of your directors have supported this effort. However, we're not done yet! Thanks in advance for the support that I know will be forthcoming.

Please use the mailing form on page 3 of this Newsletter or you can send your donation directly to:

Polaroid Retirees Association
P.O. Box 522, Rowley, MA 01969

I hope to see you at the May Members' meeting on May 21st. Our speaker will be Christopher Bonanos, author of the book *Instant; The History of Polaroid*.

Happy Spring!

Eric Thorgerson, President, Board of Directors

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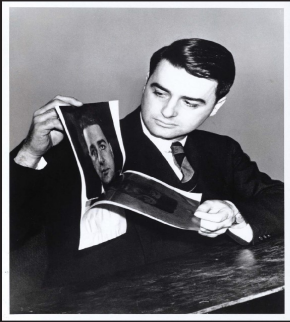
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DR. EDWIN HERBERT LAND
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"Don't do anything
that someone else can do."

"Don't undertake a project
unless it is manifestly important
and nearly impossible."

HUMANIST AND PATRIOT

Recipient of
The Presidential Medal of Freedom

INVENTOR

Awarded 535 patents
Creator of
The first synthetic sheet polarizer
Creator of instant photography

INDUSTRIALIST

Founder of the Polaroid Corporation

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Originator of
The retinex theory of color perception

"Industry should be the intersection of science and art."

"The second great product of industry should be the fully rewarding working life
for every person."

"Yet the very essence of democracy is the absolute faith that while people must
cooperate, the first function of democracy, its peculiar gift, is to develop each
individual into everything that he might be."

"But I submit to you that when in each man the dream of personal greatness dies,
democracy loses the real source of its future strength."

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Dr. Land Memorial Plaque

Polaroid, the creation of Dr. E.H. Land, was a remarkable company. In its time it was probably the innovative company in the USA, if not the world. For most of us, it was an extraordinary place to work. Indeed, it was a place to spend an entire career. We were fortunate to be able to create extraordinary products with extraordinary people with whom we built lifelong friendships.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the genius of one man who created a place for us to thrive. Yet, there is no public memorial to Dr. Land on the site of his old laboratory. Indeed, there is no public monument in Cambridge, the home of Polaroid, except for his name on a street, Land Boulevard.

For over a year, the PRA Board of Directors has been working to create a memorial plaque to honor Dr. Land. The plaque will be placed on the exterior wall of his former laboratory facing Main Street at the corner of Osborn Street in Cambridge. For those familiar with the location, the plaque will be mounted on the left side of the window; the Alexander Graham Bell plaque is mounted on the right side of the window.

Roll Baressi and Associates, located in Cambridge, assisted us in the design and continues to assist us in the project. The Board has also worked with MIT,

the current owner of the laboratory building, and the Cambridge Historical Society, both of which have enthusiastically supported the effort. The plaque is currently being fabricated and the installer has been identified. The plaque will be ready for mounting sometime later this year.

The design of the plaque is complete. PRA members who attended the October, 2013, luncheon reviewed a draft of the plaque and some small changes were made to ensure that the final design is perfect in all respects. The latest version can be viewed on page 2 of the Newsletter. This presentation is smaller than the actual plaque which measures 20" by 30", the same dimensions as the Bell plaque. The materials of construction are porcelain over steel, a virtually indestructible material that supports the placing of Dr. Land's image on the plaque.

The Directors are beginning the task of planning the dedication ceremony. More information will be forthcoming and we hope you will join the celebration. As you can imagine, the members of the Board are excited about this project and based on the reaction of the attendees at the last PRA members' meeting, we are confident that you will share that enthusiasm. We welcome your questions and reactions, so please contact any Director.

Eric Thorgerson, President, Board of Directors

The total cost of the Dr. Land Memorial Plaque Project is estimated to be \$12,000, which includes the design, fabrication, mounting and dedication of the plaque. The fundraising effort was kicked off at the October Luncheon. There was enthusiastic support from the attendees resulting in contributions that were a great start to reaching our fundraising goal.

The PRA Board wants to encourage all members of the PRA to help raise the necessary funds for this long overdue commemoration. The goal is to have 100% participation of the PRA membership. Please consider participating in this effort to honor Dr. Land by making a contribution. Any amount received will be helpful in bringing this project to a successful completion.

**Polaroid Retirees Association
P.O. Box 522, Rowley, MA 01969**

Send the check and this form to:

It should be noted that the contributions are not tax deductible and if the goal is exceeded, the additional funds will be placed in the general fund.

Donation Form

I want to donate the following amount to the Dr. Land Memorial Plaque Project.

Please indicate amount:

\$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other _____

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Write "Plaque" on the check memo line.

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POLAROID NEWS, INFORMATION, & MEMORIES

Dr. Land Remembered

In our last Newsletter, we asked readers to share their memories of Dr. Land and promised to include them in future issues. John Burgarella sends his:

Here are two stories that show what a fine human being Dr. Land was.

On a Sunday morning Dr. Land called and asked me to come to his Osborn Street office to discuss some technical issues. When I arrived, Peter Wensberg was there but they had finished their business. Dr. Land asked Peter to stay for lunch, but Peter declined. After Dr. Land and I finished our technical discussion, he asked me to stay for lunch. Because Peter declined I thought I should stay. Dr. Land got out a couple plates and some leftovers. He cut the steak and boneless pork chop in halves and placed them on the plates. We served ourselves the vegetables and had some bread. When we finished eating, I took our plates, etc., to the sink and rinsed them off with the intention of leaving them for the women to clean up on Monday morning. He said to me, "We can't leave those things in the sink for the women to clean up." With a touch of annoyance in his voice he said, "It's not in their job description." He moved to the sink, put in some hot water and soap and started washing. He rinsed each item and handed it to me to wipe. I admired him for being such a human, down-to-earth person.

In the spring of 1970 I was in McCune's office with Camera Division people discussing plans for test equipment for the SX-70 camera when the secretary came in and told me to report to Dr. Land's office. When I got there he started asking me about my wife's recent diagnosis of multiple sclerosis and we talked about that for about 15 minutes. Then he revealed what was on his mind. There was no satisfactory design for a folding rangefinder for the SX-70 camera and he had decided to go to a completely new single-lens reflex design. There were two shutter design proposals. One used a solenoid and the other used two electro-magnets. I strongly favored the magnets because they could generate 360 gram-weight of holding force with only 0.02 ampere. The solenoid would require about 1.0 ampere to generate a pull-in force of about 15 gram-weight and would put a big burden on the electronics which was my responsibility. He told me he had decided on the solenoid approach because of its elegant mechanical simplicity and he asked me to support his decision. This was a very critical time in the SX-70 program because we were starting from scratch with a completely new design, and yet he was concerned about my wife and chose to talk about that first.

Peter Bass, loved by many

Tonight, after four years, I logged into the PRA Retirees website and read the last newsletter with great interest. There are many names with which I am familiar. Peter loved his Polaroid family so much that he would come home from work and relate all the day's activities to me. Jokingly, I would tell him that Polaroid came first with him, and I was second. So many memories.

I remember our being at the December 8, 2009 meeting and luncheon. He was in his element....happily walking around and conversing with everyone. The next day, we were sitting at the kitchen table; he just put his head back and fell into eternal sleep.

Sincerely,

Rosemarie Bass

POLAROID NEWS, INFORMATION, & MEMORIES

Chris Bonanos, author of *INSTANT: THE STORY OF POLAROID* to Speak at May Meeting

Chris is looking forward to speaking at our May meeting. Here's what he tells us:

I'm delighted and honored to be coming to speak to the PRA at its spring luncheon. I met a number of your members when I was researching my book, and quite a few more after it was published, and I don't think I will ever get tired of learning about the extraordinary company where you all worked. Polaroid was--as most of you will probably agree--a corporation like few others, one that created an entire technology and then built a multibillion-dollar business based upon it. Only a few other places did so much basic research, and I can't think of any others that were so committed to making the employee experience one of dissatisfied fulfillment—that is, people were expected to use their brains and figure new things out every day, with all the frustrations and rewards that intellectual curiosity brings. Yours was a fascinating story to discover, and I hope my book tells that story with the respect and thoroughness it deserves.



I began my relationship with Polaroid as a teenager, about 30 years ago. I bought a rollfilm camera in an antique shop (Model 900 Electric Eye) for three bucks. It was outdated and bulky even then, and I couldn't figure out how it worked, so I called up your customer-service line for help. The woman who answered, hearing my confusion, said "Hold on a minute. Let me go get a camera," and then walked me through how to load film, change batteries, and deal with this extremely strange old machine. That day, I started making pictures on Type 47 and Type 42 film. A week later, I received a packet of instructions in the mail. It was a perfect initiation, and I am still shooting with Polaroid instant cameras. Today, I carry a Model 180 almost every day, and shoot Fuji's peel-apart color; on the weekends, it's usually an SX-70, loaded with the Impossible Project's new black-and-white film.

Perhaps the woman I spoke to in customer service that day is a member of the PRA now. Although Polaroid staffers all say they liked it when kids used their products, and were always interested in cultivating new customers, I doubt that she knew quite what she was setting in motion. I certainly didn't.

I look forward to hearing about your work when I visit in May. Bring your best Edwin Land stories—I know a lot of you have them.

Christopher Bonanos
Senior editor, New York magazine
Author, *INSTANT: THE STORY OF POLAROID* (fall 2012)

In my daily life, I'm an editor at New York magazine, where I work on culture coverage (theater, art, classical music, architecture) and also some other subjects, like urbanism and real estate. I've been there since 1993, which is so long ago that when I started I did not have a computer on my desk. I write for the magazine, too, on subjects as various as One World Trade Center, the stuff on the bottom of New York Harbor, and bad bagels. Also, a tiny story (*Gone in an Instant*) published in *New York Magazine* in 2008 was the germ of this book.

Christopher Bonanos

PRA Luncheon Meetings Now Available on DVD

John Alden Hall - Director, PRA Board

Two recent PRA presentations that were filmed for Concord Carlisle TV are now available for purchase from the Retiree's Association. If you were not able to attend these meetings the DVD will cover the presentation completely. Even if you did attend, the DVD makes a wonderful documentary of the content of those presentations.

The meetings were on the Zink Project from the fall Luncheon, October 17, 2012 and the making of the movie "Time Zero, the end of Polaroid film" from the Spring Luncheon, May 22, 2013. The Zink project is the zero ink project that describes in detail what would have been the next generation of Polaroid "film". It is a fascinating product that comes out of the camera developed, dry and smudge proof. This is a product that was developed by a team at Polaroid headed up by Steve Herchen, EVP, CTO of Zink Imaging, LLC. This product was begun at Polaroid, but when the company closed the team working on this product bought the existing patents from Polaroid and set up in a new location in Bedford, MA. , now naming themselves 'Zink Imaging'.

The video brings a whole new awareness as you can now see the slides full screen rather than being on a little screen way down the luncheon dining room. It also puts the speaker in sharp view in the screen when we are not looking at a slide. As an attendee, it was like seeing a whole new presentation where I could understand the process more easily. Being able to see the products that use this film closely in the video is also a benefit since at the time of the original presentation these slides were quickly gone from view. The same is true of the art work presented. On the video, the presentation is followed by interviews with attendees of the luncheon who are named.

The Zink Company evidently has aggressive plans for marketing their new "film" but these plans were not revealed. It was possible to see some 6 products that are available and in use at this time. The products range from photographic uses to the use of geological maps that provide images of oil fields.

The spring meeting of May 22, 2013 showed the video of Grant Hamilton describing his film "Time Zero, the end of Polaroid film". In it he describes some of the film festivals his film has been in and some of the prizes he has won with it. It turns out that Grant Hamilton was a photographer who specialized in Polaroid pictures and, to be expected, he was distressed by the announcement by Polaroid that they would no longer be making film. That is the subject of his video. The interviews that followed also dealt with the subject of Polaroid film.

In the interviews, Bill Aiken, past Retiree Board member describes an event that occurred to him. He was at the Photokina in Cologne, Germany and one afternoon after deciding to take a break he went to a bar across the street with his SX70 camera. There he took a picture of the bartender "who gave him a grumpy look for doing that". So he handed the developing picture to the bartender and as it developed the bartender became more and more interested in it. It wasn't long before the bartender was showing off the picture to others at the bar and not long before Bill Aiken was overwhelmed with pleadings from others who also wanted their picture taken.

This is probably one of the best descriptions of what the major Polaroid product really was. This video is one of the best methods of showing off the value of the real Polaroid product. The video was edited by Kestutis Norvaisa.

These DVDs will be available for purchase at the Spring luncheon for \$10 each or via mail by sending \$10 for each DVD requested plus \$5 for postage and handling (*outside the US add \$10 for postage and handling*)

Mail to Polaroid Retirees Association, PO Box 522, Rowley, MA 01969. Please enclose a completed copy of the DVD Order Form printed below. Checks should be made payable to the Polaroid Retirees Association.

DVD ORDER FORM

Enclosed is my check made payable to the **Polaroid Retirees Association** in the amount of \$_____ \$10 per DVD plus \$5 for postage and handling (*outside the US add \$10 for each DVD requested for postage and handling*) in payment for the DVD(s) selected below:

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_____ "Time Zero, the End of Polaroid Film" - Polaroid Retirees Luncheon - May 22, 2013 (\$10)

Please ship my DVD(s) to: _____

Save The Day, SPRING LUNCHEON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014

IN MEMORIAM

For a complete obituary check www.polaroidretirees.org

Bell, Jeffrey S. (Jeff) Sr., - Jeffrey, January 26, 2014, Plymouth served in the US Navy on the USS Willard Keith and the USS Brainbridge. Jeffrey was a proud and dedicated employee of Polaroid Corporation for over 25 years. He is survived by his son Jeffrey, Michael and his daughter Teresa M. and 9 grandchildren. He was a member of the PRA.



Bowles, David J. Jr., - David, Waltham, January 25, 2014, husband of Carolyn, father of Kevin and Keith and survived by his grandchildren Madelyn and Ayden, many nieces and nephews and his faithful friend Princess. David worked for Polaroid in Waltham for many years. He was a member of the PRA.

Campbell, Roger Winthrop, Sr., - Roger, 68, Onset, January 4, 2014, was the husband of Cheryl Campbell and late Jean V. Campbell. He worked for the Polaroid Corporation in Waltham as a mechanic for 30 years until his retirement. He is survived by sons, Peter and Roger Campbell, Jr., a brother, the Rev. Kenneth S.B. Campbell, a step-son Shawn and a step-daughter Claire. He is also survived by seven grandchildren.

Conrad, Robert A. - Robert, 71, Brockton, February 11, 2014, served in the U.S. Navy Seabees and was an electrician at Polaroid for many years. He was the husband of Carol; father of Steven, Matthew, Kristen, and Heather; grandfather of 6.



Doyle, Bernard P. - Bernard, 75, March 12, 2014 worked for many years at Polaroid. Preceded in death by his wife, Terri, he is survived by his daughters Kathy and Gail, stepchildren and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Feyling, Anders "Fred" - Anders, 85, February 12, 2014, had a role building an early model of the Polaroid instant camera under contract to Edwin Land, who advised him to invest in Polaroid to affirm his commitment to the prototype. He is survived by his wife Lynda, a sister Anne, nieces, and many cousins.



Fennessey, Regina - Regina, July 2013, Stoughton, MA. She was a member of the PRA. No further details available.

Forbes, John - John, December 26, 2013, is survived by his wife Virginia, his five children, Diane, Debbie, Judy, Doug and John, 12 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War

and was a member of the DAV Chapter 90 in Norwood.

Gangemi, Carminella - Carminella, Dedham, November 30, 2013 was the wife of the late Giuseppe Gangemi, mother of Mary Ann and the late Antonio. Sister of Maria Cappucci, Nina Paolini, Giuseppina Seravalli, Carmine Delle Monache, and Remo Delle Monache. She worked as a machine operator in Norwood.

Gilmore, Matilda F. (Iovine) - Matilda, 93, Pembroke, February 19, 2014, wife of the late William C. Gilmore, Sr., mother of Dr. William and Karen A., grandmother of Ryan, Kaitlyn, Lauren, and Erin & great-grandmother of Patrick. Retired from her career at Polaroid, she enjoyed volunteering at the Pembroke Council on Aging and at the Pembroke Town Hall.



Goinsalvos, Georgina A. - Georgina, 95, March 8, 2014, wife of the late Louis J. Goinsalvos, mother of Pat Hamilton and Richard, grandmother of 4 and great grandmother (Gammie) of 4. Georgina retired from the Polaroid Corporation in 1982 after 40 years of work as a Quality Control Inspector. She was a member of the PRA.



Hall, Kenneth L. - Kenneth, 74, Chelmsford, January 24, 2014, was the husband of Sandra and father of Michele, Christopher, Susan and six grandchildren. Ken served his country in the United States National Guard, and as a member of the 26th Yankee Infantry Division Band. Ken played at John F. Kennedy's Presidential Inauguration. He was employed by Polaroid in Waltham for over 15 years.



Hardy, Janet R. - Janet, Tucson, AZ, 79, January 27, 2014, worked in the instant color film research lab at Polaroid where she was both a researcher and model. Jan is survived by her husband Rich; daughter, Diane; son, Alan, Stephanie; and grandson, Shawn.



Harold, John Henry (Hal) - Harold, Bradenton, FL, 79, March 11, 2014 had several careers over his lifetime first with Polaroid as a senior manager based out of Cambridge Massachusetts. He survived by his wife, Linda, children, Jon, James, Joseph, Laurie, and Karen, and seven grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM cont.

Haulbrook, Harold Stevens - Harold, 84, Maysville, Houston, Texas, December 13, 2013, served in the US Navy as a Class A Radioman during the Korean conflict. Mr. Haulbrook retired as a Chemical Engineer from Polaroid Corporation in 1985. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; daughters, Gayle Marie, Linda Sue, sons, Harold Stevens Jr., Robert Lester, sister Frances, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Johnson, Donald M. - Donald, 92, World War II Army Air Corp Veteran, Andover, NH, worked as a mechanical engineer and designer for Lever Brothers and Polaroid. Members of his family surviving are his wife, Nancy; children, Donna, Paula, Craig, Marcus, and Richard; six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.



Kenney, William C. - William, Dedham, Feb. 24, 2014, husband of Margaret, father of Susan, Diane, David, Mary, Elaine and late Eileen Kenney. Cherished grandfather of ten and great grandfather of one. Retired employee of Polaroid Corporation. Korean War Navy Veteran.

Malcom, William Sheldon - William, 92, Concord, MA, January 19, 2014 received his commission from the Naval ROTC, served on an attack transport carrier in the Mediterranean and the Pacific during World War II. He worked in sales at Polaroid. He is survived by his wife Elinor, four sons William, David, Stephen, and Richard, eight grandchildren, and four great grandchildren with one more due to arrive this spring.

McGinn, Thomas S. - Thomas, South Boston, January 15, 2014, was the husband Florence father of Stephen, Michael, Kathleen, and survived by 6 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. He worked in Norwood.

Morse, Norma (Tobin) - Norma, 86, Boxborough, wife of the late John A. Morse Sr., worked as a phone operator at Ft. Devens, a waitress at the Wayside Grille in Littleton, and later as a bookkeeper at Bursaw Oil, Polaroid, and then retired from Deaconess Rivercrest in Concord. She is survived by a son John, a daughter Rhonda, and a grandson Nicholas.

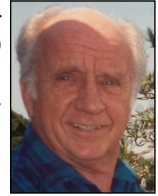


Pusateri, A. Elizabeth "Betty" - Betty, 96, Norwood, January 27, 2014, worked for many years for Polaroid. Twin sister of Ann M. and the late Florence Frazetti, Josephine McCarthy, Dorothy DeRose, Mary DeRoche, Mi-



chael Pusateri, John Pusateri and Eleanor McCarthy. Betty was also survived by many nieces, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Quigley, John W. - John, 91, Somerville, January 18, 2014, husband to Ronaine, father of Deborah, Darlene, Mary, Helaine, Ronaine, the late Lorriane, grandfather of Matthew, Melissa, Heidi, Laura, Shauna, Dani, Sara, Cameron, Ariana, Justin, Karisa, Kayla, Frankie, and Jon, great grandfather of Liam, Fallon, and Ellie. Late veteran US Navy, WWII.



Rubbo, Jonathan J. - Jonathan, Hingham, February 23, 2014. Jon had a passion for cars and was instrumental in establishing the Lincoln Continental Owners Club New England Region in 2008. Jon is the son of Louis H. and Marion and is survived by his siblings Patricia, Louis, Peter, William, Marjie, Thomas and Edward. He is the devoted uncle of 5 nieces and nephews and 3 great-nieces.



Rutkowski, George A. (Jurek) Rutkowski - George, 79, Wrentham, January 18, 2014 was the husband of Harriet K. and father of Marek Rutkowski and his wife Nicole, and is survived by three grandchildren Marek, Amanda, and Danica Rutkowski. He worked in Norwood.



Sparrow, Donald Baxter - Donald, Eastham, 92, March 13, 2014, predeceased by his wife Genevieve, is survived by his son Robert, his children Perry, and Maya; son David, his children William and daughter, Lily and Robert.

ST. Lawrence, Linda Datz - Linda, Framingham, 70, February 25, 2014 was the wife of Richard St. Lawrence, mother of Aaron, and step-mother of Richard, Jr. and Bonnie, Judith, Gary and the late Mark. Step-grandmother of five grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Linda was a executive assistant in W4 and with the engineering group in W2. She worked at Polaroid from 1970 to 2002.



Thomas, Elizabeth P. (McMahon) - Elizabeth, 80, Chicopee, February 24, 2014, worked in the research department in Cambridge. Elizabeth and her husband, Dr. Paul F. Thomas, were blessed with three children, David, Dr. Daniel F. Thomas, and Susan I. Tryba; and her four grandchildren.



IN MEMORIAM cont.

Varricchio, Claire (Daly) - Claire, 79, Laconia, NH, January 2, 2012 worked in the sunglass division of Polaroid Corporation for 27 years. Predeceased by a son, Wayne and her husband Arthur, is survived by a daughter, Karen Sullivan, and a son Kevin and five granddaughters.



Willis, Mitchell C. - Mitchell, 93, Reading, MA, January 18, 2014 served 5 years during World War II. At 18, he joined the U.S. Army Air Force and was assigned as a flight instructor stationed at Lackland Air Force base, San Antonio, TX, Pease Air Force Base, Portsmouth, NH and Hanscom Air Force Base, Bedford, MA where they would chase cows off the field for the planes to land and then worked with Dr. Land in developing the Polaroid camera. Mitch was the husband of Edna and is survived by 8 children, 13 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and one great great granddaughter.



Woods James H., III - James, (Jimmy) Brookline, 56, March 2, 2014 was the son of James H. Woods, Jr. and the late Cynthia V. Woods and is survived by his wife, Claire O'Donnell.



Wysong, William "Bill" Richard - Bill, 87, February 21, 2014, husband of the late Eunice, retired from Polaroid Corporation. He was a decorated US Army veteran of World War II. He is survived by a son Richard, and his daughters Deborah, Susan, Sarah, Carrie. grand father of 11 and had a great-grandchild.



Yobaccio, Edward - Edward, January 23rd, 2014, husband of Marie, father of Edward, "Ted", Tracy Dunn, and the late Karen Yobaccio and grandfather of Julia, Emily and Nicolas. Edward was a former employee of the Polaroid Corporation in Cambridge.



Dana-Farber's Jimmy Fund Walk.

Join the PRA Team of walkers and continue Polaroid's support of the Dana-Farber's 26th Jimmy Fund Walk, 2014 date to be determined

For over twenty years, Polaroid has either been a sponsor of the Jimmy Fund Walk, taken pictures at the finish line in Copley Place in Boston or had a team of walkers.

Millions of dollars have been raised through the Jimmy Fund Walk and Polaroid was the first main sponsor.. It's great exercise, revitalizes a great Polaroid tradition and raises needed money for cancer in children. You can walk 3 miles, 5 miles, 13 or even the entire route of 26.2 miles.



Call or e-mail Dick Gellis 508-495-4540, email: gellisr@comcast.net.

Thanks for keeping this Polaroid tradition alive.

Lost PRA Members

If you know the whereabouts or status of any of these PRA members, or where they currently reside please drop us a line and let us know so that we can bring our records up to date.

Send the information to Polaroid Retirees Association, P.O. Box 522 Rowley, MA 01969 or E Mail it to mlrwruck@comcast.net.

Their names and last known addresses are:

John P. Cleary, 644 Woodlawn Drive, Bradenton, FL 34210-3032

Maureen G. Argento, 1000 Southern Artery #858, Quincy, MA 02169

Robert J. Oteri, 2 Rayner Circle, Stoneham, MA 02180-1444

Gary H. Evans, 44 Lake Shore Drive South, Westford, MA 01886

Anne D. Hall, 8522 El Portal Drive, Tampa, FL 33604

Robert A. Malerbi, 761 Boston Post Road, Apt 111, Sudbury, MA 01776

Janet F. Ward, 1128 Manor Lake Drive, #203, Naples, FL 34110

Dorothy Brown, 2459 Buttonwood Court, Clearwater, FL 33763-4322

Judy Mays, 10 Barrington Ave, #202, Nashua, NH 03062

Franklin W. MacDonald, 1739 North Shore Road, Revere, MA 02151-3588

Jane Carroll, PO Box 4797, 264 Sandpiper Lane, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568-4797

Elfrieda C. Jorgensen, 7 Roosevelt Circle, #119E, South Easton, MA 02375

Ruth L. Wood, 3959 Hadjes Drive, #2316, Lake Worth, FL 33467

THE FALL LUNCHEON WAS A BIG SUCCESS!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE SPRING CELEBRATION MAY 21, 2014

PRA SPRING LUNCHEON
LANTANA'S RESTAURANT, RANDOLPH, MA
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014

AGENDA

8:30 - 10:00 am. **REGISTRATION** - Coffee & Pastries
 10:00 am. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** - Grand Prize Drawing
GUEST SPEAKER: - Christopher Bonanos, the author of the book Instant; The History of Polaroid.
 11:00 am. **CASH BAR - SOCIAL HOUR**
 12:00 pm. **SEATED FOR LUNCH**
 1:15 pm. **RAFFLE DRAWINGS**

Chicken Picatta with Lemon Wine Sauce and Capers, Served with Rice Pilaf

Entrée Selections **Boston Baked Cod** Served with a New England Ritz Cracker Topping on a bed of Rice Pilaf
 Chef's Choice of Vegetable and Breads

Salad, Classic Caesar Salad, **Dessert**, Strawberry Shortcake, Coffee or Tea.

Name Desired on Name Tag	FISH	CHICKEN

Please Print or use address label

Name : _____
 Address : _____
 City : _____ State : _____
 Zip : _____ Phone : _____

Enclose your check for \$ _____ @ **\$25.00 per person.**

Make Check PAYABLE To POLAROID RETIREES ASSOCIATION, INC

And SEND With Reservation Form to:

Edyie Johnson 462 New Bedford Road, Rochester, MA 02770 508-961-7401

Please Note: We will be unable to offer refunds for reservations cancelled after **MAY 12, 2014**

In the event of an emergency, please call **Edyie Johnson 508-961-7401**

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

Please Note - 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.

Directions From Boston: 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.

Traffic is pretty heavy when exiting the parking lots. It would be easier if you exit to High St. (the back street) turn left on to High St. and take any street on the left which will lead you back to N. Main St. (Rt 28).

Membership Messages

Please look at this latest Newsletter address label and check the notification of how up to date you are with your dues payments.

If you sent a dues payment within the last month, this label may not include your latest payment.If the label indicates you are paid up though 2014 or a later year then you are up to date. If the year indicated is 2013 or earlier, we urge you to send in your dues at \$10 per year as soon as possible. Failure to keep your dues current may cause you to be removed from the PRA mailing list.

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

The Polaroid W1 "Cement Heads" meet on the third Wednesday of each month at Friendly's on Lexington St. in Waltham. The meetings are from 8am until about 10am. We meet with old friends, kibitz and have breakfast. Come join us and keep the tradition going.

The Trades Breakfast Meetings

Will be at Bickfords Family Restaurant at 325 Montvale Ave, Woburn, Ma., about a block from Route 93, directly across from Spuds. The schedule for the year 2014 is as follows: April 8, May 13, Sept 9, Oct 14, Nov 11, Dec 9. 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 Percy's restaurant on Rte 18 in Middleborough at 8:30 AM. Spouses, significant others, etc of the employees are always welcome. Contact Edyie Johnson (edyiej@comcast.net) for more information or to be put on my distribution listing.

Happy Birthday! Is your license up for renewal? Be Sure to Check Your License Expiration Date!

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles will no longer mail out renewal notices. Be sure to renew at least seven days before your birthday to ensure that you receive your new license before your old license expires.

You may be able to renew online instead of in line. The RMV express lane is always open.

Your Massachusetts license is valid for a maximum of five (5) years and expires on your birthday. You may renew your license up to one (1) year prior to the expiration date by going to any RMV full service or license express office. You may also be eligible to renew your license online.

Polaroid Questions And Answers

Do you have Polaroid related questions that you'd like answered? Send them to the newsletter team and we'll try to answer some in our Newsletter, or we will post them to see if other readers can provide answers.

For your convenience:

This is the backside of the membership application. When you renew your membership in the Polaroid Retirees Association, You may wish to add a few lines here about your "*Life after Polaroid*" to be published in the Newsletter or any other comments that you would like to send to the Board of Directors.

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CURRENT DIRECTORIES ARE FREE, UPON REQUEST, BUT A CHARGE OF \$6.00 IS REQUIRED TO COVER SHIPPING & HANDLING.

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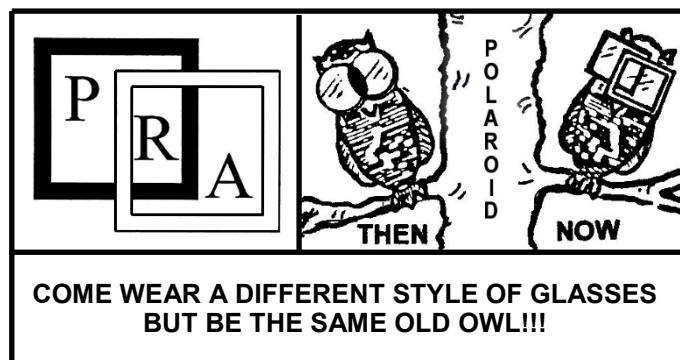
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PRA wants Polaroid Alums - We Need Your Help to Recruit New Members

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



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**STAY WITH THE POLAROID
EXPERIENCE AND FRIENDS!!!**

MEMBERSHIP ENTITLES YOU TO:

- SEMI-ANNUAL SOCIAL GATHERINGS
- QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER
- MEMBER ROSTER

Yearly Dues \$10.00

Life Time Membership \$100.00

Make check payable to: **POLAROID RETIREES ASSOCIATION INC.**

Mail to: **R. Ruckstuhl, Polaroid Retirees Assn, P.O. Box 522, Rowley, MA, 01969**

PLEASE PRINT : NEW ☐ RENEWAL ☐ LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP ☐ CHANGE OF ADDRESS ☐

NAME : _____
LAST NAME FIRST NAME MI

ADDRESS : _____

CITY : _____ **STATE :** _____ **ZIP :** _____

SPOUSE'S NAME : _____ **PHONE : (Optional)** _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS : _____

Date of Retirement _____ **Employee #** _____ **Age (Optional)** _____

—— Membership fees are due and payable the first of the year ——