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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear PRA Members,

I have much to report to you in this issue, so let me get right to it.

An election was held at the Directors' meeting this month and the following were chosen in accordance with our Constitution:

President: Eric Thorgerson **First VP:** George Murray **Second VP:** Touie Jackson

Secretary: Bob Ganapathy

Our Treasurer, Scott Osler, continues his three-year office

Please join me in offering Richard Rosenblatt, our Secretary for the past three years, heartfelt thanks for a job very well done. I'm grateful that he will continue on the Board.

The upcoming Members' meeting on Thursday, October 22nd, should be a good one. *(Please note the day change to Thursday)* We're planning the meeting as a celebration of the 30th anniversary of the founding of the PRA. Mal Trojano, one of the founding members, will relate stories about our beginnings. Also on the program is Herb Crehan, the author of the book *Red Sox Heroes of Yesteryear*, who will speak to us about the long-time connection between Polaroid and the Red Sox. Herb's book will be on sale at the event.

Many thanks to supporters of our previous meetings: Polaroid and its President, Scott Hardy, The Impossible Project and ZINK.

I mentioned in the past Newsletter that The American Chemical Society (ACS) has given the status of National Historic Chemical Landmark to Dr. Land and his laboratory on Osborn Street, now 700 Main Street. A plaque marking this honor will be joining the PRA's there, and a celebration will take place at the MIT Museum in Cambridge over two days in August. [See page 2 for additional details about this celebration.](#)

Finally, I want to report on the health of our organization, the PRA. As you would expect, our numbers have been declining over the years. However, we've had a slight uptick recently and our membership stands at 1451. Our finances are secure for now; we're running ahead of expectations thanks to our recent increase in dues and the generous oversubscription for the Land Plaque. I had hoped that these figures would help increase the attendance at the Members' Meetings, but they have not. I urge you to take advantage of the opportunity to meet old friends and enjoy the speakers' programs. They have been interesting, informative and fun.

Hope to see you on October 22nd at The Lantana.

Eric Thorgerson, President, Board of Directors, Polaroid Retirees Association

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ACS Dr. Land Celebration

On Thursday, August 13th, at 3:30 PM, ACS president Dr. Diane Grob Schmidt will give the opening address and dedicate the ACS plaque. A reception for the members of the ACS and Polaroid Retirement Association will immediately follow.

On August 14th, at 5:00 PM, our PRA plaque honoring Dr. Land will be publicly dedicated. The event will include speakers, videos and memorabilia from the PRA and tours of the Museum. Stories of Dr. Land and his many contributions will be shared. Again, a reception will follow.

Although there is no charge for the events, there is a \$5 senior admission charge to the Museum. Preregistration by email at secretary@nesacs.org will be necessary. Details will be forthcoming on our website and by email over the next few weeks.

The New England Section of the American Chemical Society (NESACS) has brought national attention to these events, and we are pleased that the PRA will be honored at this celebration. The Board urges you to come and enjoy.

Taken from an early issue of *POLAROID UPDATE* Dated March 1991 Colleagues and Friends Sharing Memories of Dr. Land

President Mac Booth described Edwin Land as "a scientific genius... A wonderful teacher, and guide and friend." What follows are personal remembrances from other long-time friends and associates of Dr. Land:

"An absolute brilliance and dedication to experimentation," is how Bob Delahunt, vice president of Technical and Industrial Imaging, describes Edwin Land. "He would do in two experiments what others would do in 20," he says. "Everyone else would be groping for the logic, and it would just work."

Land would often call co-workers with an idea in the middle of the night, Delahunt says. After spending 12-to- 14 hours in the lab, he recalls, his sleep, like that of many other employees, would often be interrupted by a call from Land offering a new idea or solution to a problem. "I wouldn't know if I was dreaming or if it had really happened."

Vivian Walworth, a retired senior manager who first reported to him as a research chemist in the early 1970s, remembers him as a man with total commitment to his work combined with great humor and compassion.

"He pushed people hard," she recalls "but he outperformed all of us."

Her favorite quote by Land?

"Invention is the sudden cessation of stupidity."

"I am fortunate to have spent over 40 years with Dr. Land at Polaroid during which time he was my boss,

my teacher and my close friend," says Bill McCune, Polaroid's chairman of the board. "He established an environment within Polaroid that attracted and challenged highly talented, creative people, skilled in the many disciplines necessary to build and develop a highly successful, modern industrial company.

He demanded a great deal of us, but he inspired us also. "For him, nothing seemed too difficult, almost nothing was impossible," McCune adds.

Famed photographer Ansel Adams dedicated a chapter in his autobiography to Land, describing him as having "an extraordinary curiosity about everything and the discipline to satisfy it." Adams wrote that Land's prime objective was to enable communication between people.

"He is convinced that images can be as effective as words, and that every person has a latent ability to make effective contact with another through visual statements...

With the Polaroid process, 'everyone can be an artist.'

Howard Rogers says that many of Land's scientific contributions to society have been broader than people realize.

For instance, he notes, Land's polarizers laid the groundwork for many other innovations, from 3-D movie projection to liquid crystal display technology, and his Retinex Theory which provided important advances in the science of optics.

He also supported Harvard chemist Robert Woodward's work in the total synthesis of quinine, used in treating malaria and other diseases.

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Life After Polaroid

We need your "Life After Polaroid" articles for the Newsletter.

Our Retirees, Your Friends, enjoy reading and catching up with what you are doing in your retirement years. 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

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Vivian Walworth writes... After leaving Polaroid in 1985 I worked as editor of Journal of Imaging Science & Technology, then as consultant at Rowland with Jay Scarpetti to develop StereoJet process (3D inkjet version of Color Vectograph). Later formed StereoJet, Inc. with Polaroid alums Dennis Slafer and Diane Martin; co-authored with Stan Mervis sections on Instant Photography for 2 encyclopedias; currently working on updated version with co-author Michael Filosa. Served several years on committee for Stereoscopic Displays & Applications Conferences. As member of Northeastern Section of American Chemical Society (NESACS) prepared nomination of the historic 2 Osborn St. building, where Dr. Land had office and lab, as a National Historic Chemical Landmark, to be so designated and celebrated in August, 2015. Events will include a public Land/Polaroid celebration at the MIT Museum on Friday, August 14. Still sharing my Concord home with daughter Irene, with summer vacations on Cape Breton and occasional visits with daughter Janis in WA, sons in CA, AZ, CT, and their families.

Roger Ambuter writes... We have been permanent residents of Florida since March of 2013. We live less than a half hour from Disney and Universal. Weather is great; however we miss Boston Spring and Fall, Red Sox and Patriots. I have continued my gardening interests and have joined a gym. I was recently elected to HOA board. Eldest granddaughter is in grad school with two others to enter College in Sept 1915.

Raymond Lepore writes... I am still alive and kicking. I worked the stockroom in NB-1, 15 years. My job has helped me do small things around my house. Polaroid made my day. I took one year off. Then I did Security Guard work for 17 Years. I retired at age 79. Good luck to all former Polaroid workers.

Brooks Corl writes... After Polaroid termination in 2004, I joined New England Compounding Pharmacy (Yes that one!) as a client services manager where I worked for nearly 8 years. Since then I have retrained in bookkeeping and am

keeping busy in several volunteer tasks with local non-profits. My "almost" 36 years in Polaroid (Industrial Sales) were by far the best of my life.

James Pazzanese writes... In Oct. 2001 I left Polaroid and went to work for W.R. Grace in Cambridge as a Senior Purchasing Agent. I retired from Grace Dec. 2007. In 2006 I was diagnosed with Pulmonary Fibrosis of my lungs - no cure! In June of 2013, I had a lung transplant, a new right lung, saving my life which I am continuing to enjoy very much.

Joe O'Shea writes... Dear boys, just a note to say hello & let you know how much I enjoy your Newsletter each time I receive it. I also want to thank you all for the work you do for letting us know what is going on in *Life After Polaroid*.

I started at Polaroid on April 11, 1960 and retired after 37 years of work at the most wonderful Company a person could work for. I started in the Y&R in building 1 in Waltham & worked there for 11 years. I left and got into the trades program & became a carpenter after 3 years of training, something I enjoyed very much.

In retirement my wife and I did many trips and enjoyed being together very much. We had a marriage made in heaven.

My wife went home to God May 22, 2000. She was not sick as she died very suddenly. My life changed and never got better. Instead of getting mad at God, I go to Mass twice a day and take Holy Communion to the sick people in the hospital once a week to thank God for the beautiful 33 years we had as a family.

Our two sons Joe Jr. and Scott call me twice a day from work to say hello and to see how my day is going. Lucky dad to have two caring sons and I thank God for them. They make their visits almost every weekend & I visit them on the holidays without fail for a great meal. The boys miss her as I do and we talk freely about her all the time. They both have a very close & loving family each, thank God, and their wives are beautiful daughter in laws.

So you see what a lucky husband and dad I am thanks to the God above.

Again, thank you for the great Newsletter.

NEW LAW REQUIRING USE OF HEADLIGHTS AND TAILLIGHTS WHEN WINDSHIELD WIPERS ARE ON.

Monday, April 6, 2015 – Today, the Mass DOT Registry of Motor Vehicles and Highway Divisions, and the Massachusetts State Police, advised motorists of a new law taking effect on April 7 requiring the use of headlights and taillights on motor vehicles during inclement weather and when windshield wipers are in use. The law is intended to increase safety and visibility of vehicles on the Commonwealth's roadway and require that front and rear motor vehicle lights be activated in all of the following conditions:

When windshield wipers are on, When low light or weather conditions prevent other vehicles or persons from being seen at 500 feet, and from ½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise. A violation of this law is considered a surchargeable minor motor vehicle traffic law violation for insurance purposes. (*The House voted to remove the insurance Surcharge associated with the new law. It has now gone before the Senate for approval.*)

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Photos - Spring Luncheon - 2015



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Attendee List The Spring Luncheon - 2015

Adams, Jim	Costa, Ken	HahnI, Alexander	Libby, Al	Schettino, Tony
Aitken, Bill	Cunningham, Dick	Hall, Mary Ann	Light, Nina	Seiden, Myron Allen
Amirault, J. Victor	Dentch, Milt	Hall, Tony	Lorge, Bernie	Simmons, Frank
Anderson, Guest of	DeVelis, Bob	Hallquist, Gus	Lubin, Paul	Simons, Elliott
Anderson, Linda	DeWolfe, Jim	Haring, Bob	Manning, Jim	Simons, Nancy
Babcock, Joyce	Di Bello, Gerald	Haring, Geraldine	Mariano, Joe	Sims, Lee Ann
Baldwin, Skip	Dias, Bill	Harriman, Doris	Marshall, Renora	Skelley, Barbara
Banks, Cordella	Dickson, Bob	Hawes, Tim	McCann, John	Smith III, Raymond
Barletta, Adriana	Dirks, John	Hawkins, Gloria	McCann, Mary	Snyder, Francine
Bau, Paul	Doiron, Arthur	Hawkins, Jim	McDonald, Richard	Snyder, Herb
Bayer, David	Donaghy, Al	Hennessy, Jack	McGuire, Betty	Spring, Kathy
Bennett, Phyllis	Duffey, John	Holloran, Ted	McPherson, Doris	St. Lawrence, Dick
Berry, Steve	Dutra, Wink	Holmes, Doug	McQuiter, Tabita	Staller, Norman
Bessette, Bob	Eaton, Jeff	Horton, Nelson	Mills, Harvey	Stamps, Narvous
Blake, Jack	Eden, Mike	Hyland, Al	Mirabito, Ed	Stanovich, Margaret
Blake, Mary	Emma, Sal	Jackson, Touie	Mollenhauer, Jerry	Tanguay, Lee
Bonvouloir, Peg	Engler, Steve	Johnson, Bruce	Morine, John	Tennis, Ann
Booth-Beaumont, Sheryl	Enwright, Tommy	Johnson, Elaine	Morrison, Don	Terry, Dick
Bourbeau, Frank	Epps, Lois	Jones, Florence B.	Morse, John	Thomas, Bill
Brown, Eric	Fairbairn, Doreen	Karger, Eva	Murphy, Denis	Thorgerson, Eric
Brown, Marvin	Fatkin, Harry	Karpenko, Al	Murphy, Timothy	Tower, Phil
Brown, Merit	Fawcett, Ron	Kearney, Jack	Murray, George	Van Glabbeek, Leo
Byron, Walter	Finitsis, John	Keenan, Ed	Nangeroni, Paul	Varney, Dick
Callender, Godfrey	Fiore, John	Kelley, Lucille	Nawn, Ernie	Voss, Frank
Callender, Ora	Foote, Elizabeth	Kerr, Rolene	Nawn, Mary	Wagner, Leo
Camelo, Carl	Foster, Don	Kilroy, Irene	Norquist, Warren	Walters, Mike
Caplan, Ed	Fultz, Natalie	Kilroy, James	Norvaisa, Casey	Walworth, Vivian
Carcia, Peter	Ganapathy, Bob	Kilroy, William F.	O'Brien, Cathy	Ward, Norman
Carta, Frank	Gantert, Joe	Kivimaki, Larry	O'Brien, Jim	Watson, Dorothy
Carta, Helen	Gantert, Joe	Kniazzeh, Alfredo	O'Leary, Joe	Williams, Arthur
Chester, Willie	Gaudet, David	Kunz, Larry	Patterson, Mary Ann	Williams, Tiny
Cieciuch, Ronald	Gellis, Dick	LaGreca, Al	Prendergast, John	Winston, Barry
Clark, Al	Gjeltema, Pete	Lally, Tom	Rivais, Bob	Young, Rob
Comerford, Barbara	Goodwin, Bob	Langston, Laraine	Rosen, Bill	Yusi, Ray
Coppa, Rich	Graham, Gordon	Larden, Jim	Rosenblatt, Richard	Zagame, Tony
Corl, Brooks	Graves, Robert	Lawler, Thomas W.	Ruckstuhl, Bob	
	Gray, Annie	Lawson, Kent	Savage, Elaine	

Wine Raffle Winners - Spring Luncheon - 2015

Harvey Mills Richard Rosenblatt Cordella Banks Skip Baldwin Linda Anderson Louis Epps
Narvous Stamps Tabitha McQuitter Renora Marshall Irene Kilroy Mike Eden
Willie Chester Bill Rosen Wink Dutra

Save The Day, FALL LUNCHEON, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015

IN MEMORIAM

For a complete obituary check www.polaroidretirees.org

Abely, Emma Cecilia - Emma, 94, Framingham, March 25, 2015, an Executive Secretary leaves behind a daughter, a son and three grandchildren.



Aldridge, Billy E. - Billy, 88, Billerica, May 30, 2015, husband of the late Jeannie, was in the U.S. Army during WWII and was a supervisor in Waltham. He is survived by 3 sisters, nieces and nephews.



Annese, Anthony J. - Anthony, Saugus, March 10, 2015, husband of Annette, father of three and grandfather of two was a supervisor in HVAC. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge and was part of the U.S. Army, 1st Infantry Division to cross the Remagen Bridge over the Rhine. He was a member of the PRA.



Antonowitch, John J. - John, 93, West Bridgewater, May 23, 2015, was in the U.S. Navy in the Construction Battalion (South Pacific). He is survived by a son and grandchildren. He was a Security Guard.

Arancio, Frank J. - Frank, 88, Revere, May 2, 2015, husband of Elizabeth, father of three, grandfather of eight and great-grandfather of two. A US Navy WWII Veteran, served as Fireman Second Class. He was a Lead Boiler Mechanic (Cambridge).



Ayres, William G. - William, 79, Quincy, March 18, 2015, a Quality Controller was the husband of Elizabeth, brother of two.

Barstow, Frederick C. - Frederick, 84, April 6, 2015, worked closely with Dr. Land, and was part of the team that developed the SX-70 camera. He earned patents for inventions related to film and film processes. He is survived by his wife Doffie and four children and seven grandchildren.



Bourgoin, Arthur A. - Arthur, Watertown, 78, March 12, 2015, a machine operator in Waltham, was the dear brother of Roland "Bill" Bourgoin and his wife Rhoda.

Burke, Donald Benner - Donald, 77, Framingham, June 10, 2015, a U.S. Air Force veteran, worked in

management (Waltham). He leaves his wife Suzanne; three children and eight grandchildren.



Burnham, William Michael "Mike" - Mike, 77, Danvers, April 29, 2015, US Army National Guard veteran, leaves his wife Beverly, three children, and six stepchildren and grandchildren.

Carmichael, Quentin L. "Bud", Jr. - Quentin, Arlington, February 7, 2015, was the husband of Sandra, father of two and grandfather of two. An Air Force veteran, he was part of a 500 man group selected by JFK to reconstruct the government in the event of nuclear war during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He worked as an international product manager in developing portable x-ray film suitable for use on the battlefield in the Vietnam War by utilizing radio isotopes as the source of power to expose the x-ray film.



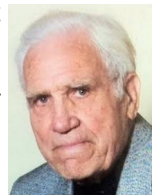
Clancy, Peter E. - Peter, 79, of Halifax, March 25, 2015, leaves behind Sally, two sons, two daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was also the husband of the late Barbara, and former husband of Jacqui. He was a Personnel Manager. He was a member of the PRA.



Cook, Roger W. - Roger, 76, Carver, March 22, 2015, veteran of the U.S. Army National Guard served during Operation Desert storm. He is survived by his wife Elsa, and former wife Elaine, father of seven, 11 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He was a member of the PRA.



Crede, Henry W. - Henry, 91, West Roxbury, May 12, 2015, a WWII US Navy Veteran donated a 6 foot bronze statue called "The Sailor" to the City of Columbia, SC. He worked as an executive. He was the husband of Laurice, father of three, grandfather of six and great grandfather of four.



Davis, Elizabeth (Betty) A. - Elizabeth, 77, West Newfield, May 30, 2015, leaves two sons and three granddaughters.



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Dieter, Ridgely Mason - Ridgely, 81, Sewickley, PA, February 21, 2015, is survived by three children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She worked for Polaroid both in front of and behind the camera.



Fairfax Truesdale, Marion - Marion, 99, Johns Creek, GA, January 31, 2015, is survived by her husband, Thomas, two daughters, eight grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. She worked in Cambridge.

Fertitta, Anthony J. "Tony" - Anthony, 75, Tewksbury, April 24, 2015, husband of Mary is survived by three sons, six grandchildren and one great grandson. He was employed as a Technician in Waltham.



Gedrich, Thomas M. - Thomas, Dracut, 47, April 18, 2015, worked in Cambridge and is survived by his parents, Kevin and Elaine, two daughters, and two grandsons.

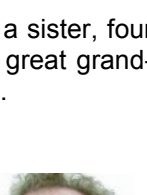


Gilchrist, Alice L. "Renie" - Alice, 80, Somerville February 16, 2015, mother of four and grandmother of five, and great grandmother of one.



Gross, Dora M. - Dora, 92, March 31, 2015, Northborough worked as a secretary, leaves three children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Harper, Johnnie Edward - Johnnie, 83, Asheville, NC, June 1, 2015, leaves a sister, four children and five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He was a US Air Force Veteran.



Harrington, Ernest R. "Read" - Ernest, 69, Holbrook, February 10, 2015, U.S. Navy Vietnam Veteran and machinist and model maker is survived by his wife Catherine, a stepson and grandchildren. He served aboard USS Intrepid and USS Enterprise during Vietnam War and as a reservist, was a member of the Navy Musicians Association.

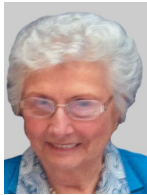


Harrington, Loretta T. - Loretta, 80, Medford, April 8, 2015, made the identification plates for Polaroid used by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mother of two, and grandmother of six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Harris, Ruth V. - Ruth, 93, Dover, Wednesday, April 29, 2015, is survived by her husband George, two sons, a granddaughter, and a great granddaughter.



Jonas, Julia - Julia, 83, of Hamburg, NJ, March 24, 2015, worked in Paramus as a word processor. She was the mother of two and grandmother of one.



Jones, Frances P. - Frances, Waltham, 76, March 19, 2015, was an assembler. She is survived by two children, and five grandchildren.



Jurmain, Cecile Colin - Cecile, 91, April 27, 2015, during World War II, supported the war effort by designing lenses and gun sights for Polaroid in Rochester, NY and is survived by four children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Kelly, Walter Dewey, Jr. - Walter, 95, Needham, June 4, 2015, a member of the American Chemical Society, the Royal Photographic Society, a director of the Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers, who specialized in emulsion development was a laboratory manager. He is survived by two daughters, son, grandson and a great grandson. He was a member of the PRA.



Kimball, Barbara Rich - Barbara, 62, Pittsboro, ME May 1, 2015, is survived by her husband Frederick, and two daughters. She was a member of the PRA.



Kozlowski, Alice A. (Killilea) - Alice, Melrose, April 18, 2015, mother of four and survived by 12 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren.

Kutkowitz, Victor G. - Victor, 63, Mendon, March 8, 2015, was a mechanical designer. In addition to his wife, Linda, he is survived by two daughters, a son, and four granddaughters.



LaFort, James L. - James, 92, Waltham, Wednesday, May 27, 2015, served in WW2 in the Pacific with the U.S. Marine Corps and worked in Waltham. He leaves his wife Emma, a daughter, and four grandchildren.



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Lehto, David F. - David, Walpole, 80, May 1, 2015, served in the National Guard and was contracted to maintain the Polaroid Plant (landscaping) in Norwood. He was the husband of Mary, father of two, grandfather of two.



Manges, Dana Fulton - Dana, 85, Oakmont, PA, May 20, 2015, was the wife of Donald, mother of three, grandmother of seven. She worked for the color research project headed by Dr. Land.



Marcotte, Annie Bell - Annie, 84, Lowell, February 17, 2015, mother of four, 17 grandchildren and 12 great-children was employed as a research development technician in Waltham.



McConnell, Andrew W. - Andrew, (The Sarge), 73, Deerfield Beach Florida, March 20, 2015, served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam. He worked in Waltham. He is survived by three daughters and six grandchildren.

McLaughlin, Richard B. - Richard, 78, a chemist & Deacon, March 20, 2015, was the husband of Maureen. He was a US Air Force veteran of the Korean & Vietnam Wars. He was the father of five and grandfather of 11 grandchildren.



Messina, Fred - Fred, Ipswich, 87, February 7, 2015, leaves four children, four granddaughters, his companion and her three children. He was a member of the PRA.



Mullen Jr., Francis J. "Frank" - Frank, 71, Dedham, March 1, 2015, is survived by his wife Meredith, two sons, and three grandchildren.

Nikoras, George Antony - George, 78, Ft. Myers, FL, and Billerica was a tool and die maker. Husband of Mary and is survived by a son, daughters and granddaughters.



O'Leary, Paul Patrick - Paul, 77, Sharon, March 19, 2015, U.S. Army Veteran leaves his wife Irene, three brothers, a sister, many nieces and nephews. Paul was a chemical technician, a technical specialist and an Employee Representative in both New Bedford and Norwood sites. He was a member of the PRA.



Palazzi, Dorothy Dodo F. - Dorothy, Norwood, 82, February 26, 2014, was the mother of three and grandmother of three. She was a member of the PRA.

Reynolds, Francis G - Francis, 90, VT, January 22, 2015, a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was the husband of the late Margaret, father of five; grandfather of five; great-grandfather of many.



Rodriquez, Tomas - Tom, March 9, 2015, was the Senior Manager of the Engineering Model Shops and the Corporate Instrumentation Group based out of 565 Tech Sq. This was the Bright Eyes Program which was the electronic Microscope Camera. He was a member of the PRA.

Rogers, Ellen T. - Ellen, 85, Brooksby Village, April 15, 2015, was the wife of Raymond, and is survived by three children and six grandchildren. She was a member of the PRA.

Ross, Helen D. - Helen, Billerica, 91, March 26, 2015, was a Quality Control Specialist. She is survived by three sons, 12 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

Rowean, Louis Francis - Louis, Walpole, 80, May 3, 2015, husband of Nancy, father of three, grandfather of four. Lou was an engineer in Norwood Camera Division. He was a member of the PRA.



Ruopp, David E - David, 72, NC, May 8, 2015, leaves his wife Peggy, two daughters, two sons, and grandchildren.



Schiller, Robert J. - Robert, 93, Canton, May 20, 2015, served in the US Navy as a Lieutenant during World War II in the Philippines. He combined his science background with the law, becoming one of Polaroid's in-house patent attorneys. He is survived by his wife Phyllis, 2 children and three grandchildren.

Selman, Dorothy - Dorothy, March 1, 2015, was the widow of Grafton T. Selman; she leaves many nieces and nephews.

Seymour, Richard M. - Richard, 78, Marlborough, MA, February 27, 2015 was the husband of Jeannette, father of four, 12 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He served in the National

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Guard's 818st Infantry Division and worked in the engineering support team in Cambridge.

Sheehan, Wayne T. - Wayne, 57, Conway, NH, February 14, 2015, was the husband of Donna, father of two, son of Leo and Gladys, and grandfather of two.



Stearns, Harriet P. - Harriet, 87, East Falmouth, February 15, 2015, worked in Cambridge. She is survived by many nieces & nephews.

Talalas, John M. "Jack" - John, 71, Chelmsford, February 21, 2015, a U.S. Army veteran, is survived by his two children and four grandchildren.



Talbot, Richard Paul - Richard, 79, Atkinson, March 4, 2015, served in the United States Navy and was a recipient of the National Defense Service Medal. His book *Designing and Building Your Own Frameset* was published in 1979 and 1984. He was the husband of Marilyn and father of three.

Thormahlen, Henry August - Henry, 92, Bourne, MA, February 7, 2015, U.S. Navy Veteran WWII and was the husband of the late Mary Margaret, father of two, grandfather of four and the great-grandfather of three.

Valente, Steven - Steven, 66, Dennis Port, May 14, 2015, a colonel in the Army National Guard was the husband of Michele, father of three, and grandfather of three. He worked in Research and Development, in Cambridge & W4.



Vella, John A. - John, 80, Braintree, March 27, 2015, was the husband of Cecilia A. Sally, father of four and grandfather of nine. He was a Quality Control Engineer in Norwood. John served honorably with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He was a member of the PRA.



Vitali, Paul J. - Paul, 81, Sharon, May 29, 2015, husband of Nancy, father of three, grandfather of two was a Lt. JG, in the US Navy and a career employee of Polaroid. He was a member of the PRA.



Waldron, John E. - John, Bedford, 81, April 29, 2013, served with the 7th Army during the Korean War. He worked as an engineer. He was survived by many great nieces and nephews.



Washburne, Lorraine F. - Lorraine, Danvers, January 18, 2015, wife of the late Charles. She was a supervisor at Polaroid. She is survived by her sister, Marilyn Sears, nephews, great nephews, great nieces and dear friend Albie Marrs.

Whalen, William W., Sr. - William, 98, Arlington, April 21, 2015, husband of the late Helen, father of one, grandfather of one and great-grandfather of four. William served in the U.S. Navy during WWII.

Whiting, Ruth - Ruth, 94, January 29, 2015, was a resident of Roxbury, Massachusetts.

Williams, Joseph M. - Joseph, 61, April 24, 2015, Braintree, is the father of one, and many nieces and nephews.



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 2015 is as follows: Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8. 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.

Save The Day, FALL LUNCHEON, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015

**THE SPRING LUNCHEON WAS A BIG SUCCESS!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE FALL CELEBRATION OCTOBER 22, 2015**

**PRA FALL LUNCHEON
LANTANA'S RESTAURANT, RANDOLPH, MA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015**

AGENDA

8:30 - 10:00 am. **REGISTRATION** - Coffee & Pastries
10:00 am. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** -
GUEST SPEAKERS: - Mal Trojano, Herb Crehan
11:00 am. **CASH BAR - SOCIAL HOUR**
12:00 pm. **SEATED FOR LUNCH**
2:00 pm. **CLOSING STATEMENTS**

**Entrée
Selections**

Chicken Florentine : Pan Seared Chicken Breast with Spinach, Crimini Mushrooms in a Garlic Cream Sauce
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	VEGAN	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:

George Murray 14 Heywood Road, Westford MA 01886-2220 Phone: 978-692-2270

Please Note: We will be unable to offer refunds for reservations cancelled after **October 15, 2015**

In the event of an emergency, please call **George Murray Phone: 978-692-2270**

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 through 2015 or a later year then you are up to date. If the year indicated is 2014 or earlier, we urge you to send in your dues at \$15 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.**

POLAROID NEWS, INFORMATION, NOTICES & ARTICLES



Polaroid retirees continue to help raise funds to fight cancer. Thank you PRA retirees and thanks to those who made donations.

As of September 21, 2014, the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk raised over \$7.5 million, bringing the total amount raised since the Walk's 1989 inception to over \$100 million.

The money raised through the walk helps support exceptional patient care at the Dana Farber, as well as contributes to the flexible funds that allow future research discoveries to revolutionize cancer treatments both nationally and around the world.

We can all be proud of the decision made by Polaroid to be the 1st main sponsor of the walk 26 years ago. This year's event will be on September 27, 2015.

Let's get ready for the 2015 Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk by getting in shape and supporting our PRA Walkers!

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. Any questions or comments that you would like answered, will be sent to the Board of Directors. We will try to answer some in our Newsletter or we will post them to see if other readers can provide answers.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

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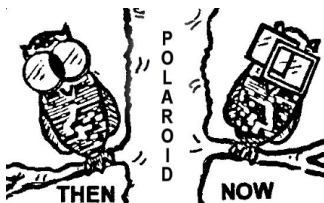
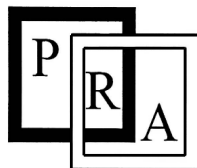
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PRA wants Polaroid Alums - We Need Your Help to Recruit New Members

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 \$15 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. ***You don't have to be retired (from Polaroid or any other business you may have worked for since leaving Polaroid) to be a member of the PRA. You just have to have a Polaroid seniority date prior to July 2002.***
Urge your old Polaroid friends to join!



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BUT BE THE SAME OLD OWL!!!**

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

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

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

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