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Jim Poirot Receives OSU Honor

Adding to his long list of honors, in April, at a gala banquet, the Oregon State University Alumni Association's most prestigious recognition was awarded

to Jim Poirot. To quote from the program, "The award recognizes and honors former OSU students who have significantly contributed to society and whose accomplishments and careers have brought credit to the University." Jim joins an impressive list of former recipients that include such



The 1999 E. B. Lemon Distinguished Alumni Award honoring Iames W. Poirot

names as Linus Pauling, winner of two Nobel Prizes – one in chemistry and the other for peace efforts – and Marion Carl, the first Marine Ace in WWII and engineer trained test pilot involved in many aviation developments following that conflict.

Jim's other accomplishments took more than a page of small type in the program folder to describe. We CH2M HILL retirees know about his work in and for our firm. Many of his other activities may be unknown to a number of us. They include such things as chairman of the National Research Council's Truck Size and Weight Committee, and member of the NRC International Advisory Board, vice president of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations and president of the WFTO Technology Committee to name only a few.

At the awards ceremony, Jim's alert 93-year old mother was there at a front table, and much of Jim's acceptance remarks described his family support and the great part his mother had played in providing that support.

It's Not Too Late

If you think that you missed the opportunity to sign up for the Retirees Retreat to be held in Seattle on September 20th through the 22nd, think again. It is not too late, but you should make it a point to sign up now, if you're going to do so. Here's how.

Let the Retirees Activity Center (RAC) know that you plan to attend, and how many will be with you. Provide your name and that of your spouse, significant other or guest. Also let us know whether you will attend the opening dinner and the good-bye breakfast. If you are interested in playing golf, let us know that too, and how many.

If you need a room at the Vance Hotel where the activities take place, contact Peggy Jones at 425/377-1911, or e-mail her at pjones@halcyon.com. Peggy is a travel agent that handled travel arrangements for the Seattle office for about 9 years. She can also book you for the Tillicum Village trip and dinner. If you plan to extend your stay, either before or after the event, let Peggy know that too.

If you are interested in attending a Seattle Mariners baseball game while you are in town, Tom Gibbs can get tickets for you. He



will need to know which night you would like to attend, how many tickets you will need and about how much you are willing to spend for the tickets. It would be best for you to contact Tom directly at 425/746-7953, or e-mail him at cygibbs@wolfenet.com.

Those that plan to attend the affair are as follows:

Bob and Mary Adams
Eleanor Benedict
Don and Patsy Benson
John and Dona Eskelin
Tom and Jean Gibbs
Bob and Madge Harding
Fred and Doris Harem
Lyle and June Hassebroek
Jim and Ruth Howland
Patricia Jackson
John and Nancy Mayo
Chuck Meek

Jack and Sue Meier
Harlan and Carol Moyer
Bob and Dot Pailthorp
Joe and Sarah Patten
Jim and Raeda Poirot
Earl and Jodi Reynolds
Carl and Holly Ryden
C.Y. and Katherine Shieh
George and Sue Silkworth
Vaughn and Diane Sterling
Bill and Vivian Watters
Les and Myrna Wierson

Undecided, and may come:

Norm Brazelton Arleta Burton Fred and Judy Eidsness Ken Elwood Mike and Sue Fisher Don Fox Ray and Mary Hansen Tom McClellan Hal Mozer Dick and Renetta Rawlings Bunny Scott Joe Worth

As you can see, this is a nice group of people. Now get your notice sent to us as soon as possible so that the committee can make plans for your attendance.

What Is Your E-Mail Address

In this wonderful electronic world that we live in, e-mailing a note to your friends and relatives is a great way to keep in touch. Do you have e-mail capabilities? If so, would you mind having your e-mail address included in the Retirees Address Roster? If not, send the e-mail address to us at the RAC and we will add it to the next update of the roster.

An Interesting Web Site

Gus Pantazi, retiree from the PDX office has established a web site for the ex employees of that office as a means of keeping in touch and sharing information. The address, for those of you on the internet is: www.worldaccessnet.com/~exch2m.

Visit this web site and you will find an interesting array of information about these folks, and it may encourage some of you in other parts of the country to try something similar. For further info, contact Gus at gus@worldaccessnet.com. He would love to hear from you.

New Retirees and Those That Have Passed Away

Since the last newsletter, the following people have taken up retirement:

Gary Graham, 5/1/99

Gary Dobson, 1/8/99

Della Klise, 11/30/99

Bud Owsley, 3/1/99

Otto Vydra, 2/1/99

John Dover, 2/26/99

Ken Johnson, 1/8/99

Sandy Leonard, 2/1/99

Jack Smith, 1/1/99

Our hearts go out to the families of Gene Dohman, David Snyder, and Joe Martin, who have passed away since our last newsletter.

Summer Sports Extravaganza

The annual Sid Lasswell softball tournament, golf matches, sand volleyball tournament, picnic, and fun in the sun, held in Bend for many years, and Reno the last two, will be in Corvallis this year. The dates are July 16, 17 and 18. A tentative schedule of events is as follows:



Softball

July 17 and 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday. Sunset Park and Pioneer Park. There

will be a BBQ picnic held at Bruce Starker Arts Park at the conclusion of the softball games on Saturday, between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Volleyball

July 16 and 17, 5:00 p.m. to dark. Chintimini Park Sand Courts. There will be a BBQ picnic held on Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Chintimini Park.

Golf

July 16 and 17. Friday is designated for those choosing to enter a one-day tournament only. Tee times will be between 10:00 a.m. and noon on both days. Golf Friday will be at Trysting Tree Golf Club; Saturday's golf will be at Corvallis C.C.

If you are interested in playing golf, please contact Al Olson/CVO. Let him know whether you will be playing both days, or just one. Also let him know how many will play, and what your handicap is, or about what you would shoot for 18 holes. He will need this for each player.

What's Going on With You?

Have you taken any interesting trips lately? How's the fishing, caught any monster fish? What about your golf game; any holes in one, or exceptional scores? Have you been recognized with any kind of a merit award? In other words, what's going on with you? We want to know so that we can let other retirees know as well. If you have had something special happen to you, please write us here at the Retirees Activity Center, (RAC), tell us the news, and we will see to it that your article is included in the next newsletter.

Overseas Assignment Opportunity

Ken Bielman tells us that there is an opportunity for an engineering assignment of about 2 years, for the city of Dubai, Jordan. Ken says that Dubai is a beautiful city, the food is great, the water safe, the people are friendly and speak English. If you have an interest in such an assignment contact Ken at 541/758-3769, or e-mail him at Bielman@pioneer.net.

Wayne Sellman/RFT tells us that the firm won a project with USAID to help countries around the globe develop their water resources. This too, could be an opportunity for a retiree. They are looking for a spark plug, to help with ground breaking and organizing resources. If you have an interest in this work, contact Wayne at 303/966-8354 or e-mail him at wayne.sellman@rfets.gov

