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# Retiree/Alumni newsletter

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## Some Editorial Musings

*BY GORDON KOBLITZ*

Like everything in life now, time is flying by. In my first Newsletter in January '07 the Orlando Retreat seemed a long way off. Now it's time to enjoy the memories and thank (again) the folks who made it such a success: in particular Steve Aasheim, Cari Strouse, Megan Snider, Amy Drotar, Ignacio Garcia-Bengochea, Ed Davis, and Bob Bailey. Steve captured the highlights of the Retreat in our feature article. We also have updates from a number of attendees as to what's going on in their lives, plus several more from retirees and alumni.

That brings up another point that was discussed, and a change made to our masthead: we're now including our many, many alumni who are still part of the CH2M HILL family based on the many years they've been with us. A good example is an article by Kurt Leininger, which will be in the next Newsletter (space limitations because of the Retreat photos/updates this issue). It summarizes well the time he spent with his fellow employees across the country in several offices – one never forgets the relationships and good times.

Another, more recent alumni, is Judy Clark who "retired" after almost 34 years to try something new. Judy was a joy to work with when I was in CVO back in the early '70s and has been a key link in helping keep the retirees informed over the years, as well as a key resource in our previous Retreats. Thank you, Judy, for all the "above and beyond" help!! Linda Risen/CVO is a gracious and willing volunteer to step up and continue the support.

I'd like to thank the many folks who sent me their email addresses so we can send the Newsletter (in color!) to them directly and save postage and handling costs. For those of you who have email access (broadband is best), please sign up and let me know at [gkoblitz1@outlook.com](mailto:gkoblitz1@outlook.com). And a final thank you to Lyn Larson/CVO and Vicki Starr/CVO.

for their great editing and word processing help in getting this newsletter out the door!

I'll also ask for help with articles for future newsletters, especially updates (one paragraph or many – people are interested in what's happening in your lives) and travel articles (photos a plus). Suggestions and volunteers are ALWAYS welcome, too! Hope you enjoy the Newsletter!

## Wow, What a Trip!

*BY STEVE AASHEIM*

The CH2M HILL Retirees Retreat went off without a hitch in Orlando, Florida from May 22 thru May 25 this year. The weather was better than might be expected in May in central Florida (mid-80's, no rain), and a good time was had by all. Approximately 48 people participated, from as far away as Corvallis, Portland, and Boise. The retreat began Tuesday evening with a reception and dinner at the core venue, Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. Steve Aasheim and Gordon Koblitz greeted the contingent of retirees and even a few alums. After dinner, former INC President Lyle Hassebroek briefly shared how CH2M HILL came to the southeast through the acquisition of Black, Crow, and Eidsness (BC&E). Bob Bailey, Southeast Regional Manager and current Board Member, then followed up with an interesting presentation of current happenings in the Southeast and the size and scope of the present operation. After sharing information on "what's going on in the Southeast," Bob offered his perspective on the key things going on in the firm today. He mentioned several items, including the tug-of-war for talent and our ability to continue to capture large programs worldwide, such as the role we are now playing in London to prepare that city for the 2012 Olympics. He also mentioned the firm's acknowledgement that we must strengthen our energy business. Lockwood Greene's addition helped with that, and an additional energy acquisition (VECO), with ties to both Alaska and Siberia as well as the Middle East, is in the final stages of due diligence as this is being written

[note: see accompanying article by Lee McIntire].

Wednesday was the day of the "Big Adventure." Most of the attendees climbed aboard a brand new Disney Cruise Line bus and headed out to Cocoa, Florida for a visit to NASA. Cocoa, by the way, is a community of less than 20,000 people that provides water to nearly 200,000, including the Cape and Patrick Air Force Base. BC&E and CH2M HILL have provided almost all of the City's water utility consulting for over 40 years, helping the City make the most of local groundwater and surface water supplies and positioning the community solidly for the future. Part of the integrated resources solution offered to Cocoa by the firm includes using more than a billion gallons of underground treated water storage during peak demand times (known as aquifer storage and recovery, or ASR). Thanks to Ed Davis and Al Aikens of the Orlando office for arranging our visit with the City and being great tour guides. And thanks to the City of Cocoa (Ed Wegerif and Troy Howell in particular) for their gracious hospitality.

From Cocoa, the group headed off to Kennedy Space Center and NASA's complex there. Box lunches were eaten on the way from Cocoa. Ignacio Garcia Bengochea/ GNV, working with Hector Delgado, a longtime friend and over 30-year NASA employee, put together a no-holds-barred tour of the NASA property. The group was able to see the shuttle Atlantis on the pad (from a distance—the shuttle was being fueled for its June 8 launch); an empty shuttle pad; the Vehicle Assembly Building where the rocket stages are put together (3<sup>rd</sup> largest building in the world based on volume); the Space Station assembly building, including a chance to see some of the next pieces to be sent into space for installation in the International Space Station, and the Saturn visitor center. One of the highlights was to see the "crawler" that carries the shuttle and booster rockets to the pad at 1 mile per hour. As transported, the shuttle and boosters weigh more than 12 million pounds. Each cleat or "shoe" on the crawler's tread weighs about one ton; try carrying just one shoe in your half-ton pickup! The visit to the Cape was special, and for most the highlight of the Retreat—outside of seeing old friends and making new ones.

On Thursday a smaller group (about thirty) went to Winter Park for a tour of the Swoope Water Treatment Plant. This plant, which uses groundwater supplies, is located in the middle of a residential neighborhood only blocks from the trendy Park Avenue area of the City. This plant, which looks nothing like a typical plant from the outside, blends nicely into its surroundings. Through an award-winning public involvement process, Winter Park was able to remove a blighted area and relocate eligible low income families to much nicer new housing a short distance away. This plant was a design-build by CH2M HILL. Thanks again to Ed Davis of the Orlando office for making our arrangements, and a special thanks to Dave Zusi of Winter Park for being such a terrific host. After the tour of the Swoope plant, the group "scattered." Steve and Carol Aasheim, Steve and Yvonne Lee, Dave Evans, and John Echternach joined Bob Bailey at Orlando Country Club for lunch and a round of golf. Others wandered downtown Winter Park and found lunch at a recommended French café, and some visited the Morse museum, home to the largest private collection of Tiffany glass. Despite heavy breezes, a few even went on a pontoon boat ride through the lakes and canals of Winter Park, enjoying beautiful views of fine homes and gardens.

Friday came all too soon for most. Breakfast began early as people were beginning to either head home or continue their Florida excursion. For example, Les and Myrna Wierson headed to Key West to enjoy the Memorial Day weekend there. Two topics of business were briefly discussed at breakfast: where and when the retirees would meet next, and "what does the retiree group want/need to be when it grows up." On the first topic, Mike Anglea agreed to be chair of the committee to decide on the next venue, and to see to it that local arrangements are made. John Echternach and Mary Koblitz also volunteered to help with this. It was generally agreed that the next retreat will be in approximately 2 years, and likely will be "west." Some of the suggestions were Boise, Texas, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hawaii, and even a cruise ship. On the second topic, Steve Aasheim volunteered to head the effort to identify key issues facing the sustainability of the retirees group and structural/organizational issues it must deal with. For example, should it be a not-

for-profit? Does it need legal standing? Does it need officers? Should it have a mission or "cause?" What are the demographics of the retirees over the next 10 to 20 years? Where do they live, and what part of the firm do they represent? Don Marske, Ramona Richards, and Gordon Koblitz agreed to help with this topic. Dave and Carol Evans had to leave early to catch their flight, but Dave followed up by volunteering for a committee assignment. As always, more volunteers are welcome!!

In conclusion, a special thanks to Nancy Tuor and, through her, CH2M HILL for their financial support of the retreat, and to Cari Strouse, Megan Snider, and Amy Drotar, from the Denver office, for their assistance in "everything." They made the retreat work, and ensured everyone's well-being and enjoyment.

Stay tuned for updates on the next retreat in future newsletters! If you were in Orlando, thanks! If you weren't, you missed a great time (and we missed you)!

## **Firm's Latest Acquisition: Anchorage-Based VECO**

*BY LEE MCINTIRE, PRESIDENT AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER*

Twenty-four-hour sun here at Prudhoe Bay, North Slope, Alaska. We are meeting our soon-to-be 800 colleagues (they have an additional 800 alternates on home leave) taking care of British Petroleum's operational needs. As most of you have heard, we have a binding agreement to buy VECO Corporation, an Anchorage-based engineering-construction-operations outfit strong in oil and gas. They have revenues approaching \$900 million per year, and a strong heritage of client service that matches our client service culture. The raw beauty of this place and the work is fascinating, and the safety and customer focus palpable. For those of you who like yellow iron (in this case red), every imaginable piece of heavy and light-duty vehicle is operating here. VECO is also supporting the National Science Foundation's Arctic work in the area, including at the North Pole.

I have visited the VECO offices in Denver and Anchorage and the North Slope. In each office we are impressed by the work ethic, professionalism, and skill. I liked everyone I met and I know you will too. The joining of our two

companies solidifies our portfolio, makes us more diverse, and provides new opportunities for each of us. Most notably, it is another important step in implementing our Energy Initiative, which is a cornerstone of the enterprise objectives outlined in CH2M HILL's Vision 2015. We can help our customers in new parts of the world, such as Siberia and Sakhalin Island, Russia, and this acquisition strengthens us in many energy-rich areas of the former Soviet Union, Middle East, and North America. We will have over 24,000 employees and over \$5 billion in revenue when we merge late this summer. This is very exciting.

## **Allen Davis Given Lifetime Achievement Award**

Earlier this year Bill Bellamy, the Water Business Group Director of Technology, presented Allen Davis with CH2M HILL's Lifetime Achievement Award for "outstanding leadership in developing and applying innovative hydraulics engineering solutions to projects worldwide."

Held in Corvallis, Oregon, in a room crowded with Davis' family and co-workers, the event included presentations by Kevin Nielsen and Gary Moss. Nielsen paid tribute to Davis' landmark achievements in hydraulic analysis, and Moss praised his work as the primary pioneer of CH2M HILL's computer engineering systems.

### **HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS "GURU"**

Known to engineers throughout CH2M HILL, Davis is regarded as the "guru" of hydraulic analysis. He was the principal author and developer of several hydraulic analysis programs, including NETWK, SURGE, and HYDRO. NETWK was developed in 1974 to analyze pipe distribution systems. SURGE and HYDRO were developed in 1973 to analyze pipeline transients and wastewater plant hydraulics, respectively. These programs have been used extensively to solve countless problems for our clients and differentiate CH2M HILL from the competition. After 30 years and the arrival of numerous software vendors in the market, SURGE and HYDRO still remain the firm's software of choice to analyze pipeline transients and wastewater plant hydraulics.

Alan also led CH2M HILL in the application of Computational Fluid Dynamics, and he was instrumental in the evaluation and design of

several innovative hydraulic structures, such as vortex drop-shafts.

## **CAE PIONEER**

Davis was one of the first employees to recognize and exploit the value of computerizing engineering analysis and design. He became the firm's early champion of computerized engineering and was soon named the director of Computer Aided Engineering (CAE). Now part of the firm's standard practices, CAE was viewed by project managers as unreliable or treated as an expensive luxury for many years. At one time, John Filbert wrote, "Don't you dare use any of this stuff on any of my projects." Davis took that as a challenge and, through patient coaching, converted Filbert into a staunch advocate and major CAE proponent. Filbert went on to convince the Singapore Public Utilities Board to require it in the design of the Changi Wastewater Reclamation Plant, the largest wastewater infrastructure project in the world. It was this project that finally proved the tremendous value of Davis' vision and established the use of CAE tools as standard practice for the firm.

## **HONORED FRIEND, CO-WORKER**

All those who spoke at the award ceremony noted Davis' patience and humility, and many were grateful for his mentoring. In his 30-plus years with the firm, he has worked with many developing engineers, and they attest to his valuable influence on their work. Nielsen summed it all up with: "Isaac Newton once said, 'If I have seen further it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.' I will work to continue CH2M HILL's lead in hydraulic analysis, but I will only be able to do so by standing on the shoulders of this incredible giant."

## **Xian, China AMAT Project Has Some Surprise Visitors**

*BY GORDON KOBLITZ/DFW*

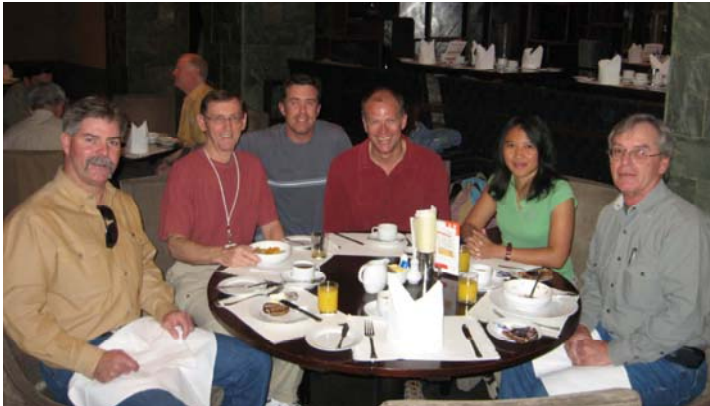
Here's another example of "it's a small world" and "CH2M HILL is a global company." Mary and I and our good friends from Austin, Rick and Jill Salwen, were recently part of a University of Washington tour group that traveled to China in May. While we were in Xian, home of the "Terra Cotta Warriors," I went to our hotel business center to check my CH2M HILL email (of course). The young lady at the center who helped me log on to mail.ch2m.com commented that we were "a

very good company." I thought that she was just being nice and courteous, as were all the Chinese folks we met. Next, one of the U of W travelers mentioned that he had run into a couple of CH2M HILL folks in the elevator. What a surprise! I immediately went to the front desk to inquire and, sure enough, nine CH2M HILL folks were registered there! I asked about contacting them and the receptionist took my name and said she would contact one of them and let me talk with him by phone. Imagine my surprise when Del Profitt from the Portland office came on line and invited me to their breakfast the next morning (the team always had two tables off to the side reserved for them for breakfast before they left for work).

It turns out the project was for AMAT, or Applied Materials. AMAT is a worldwide semiconductor tool producer that specializes in Thin Film and Metrology technology. Clients of AMAT include semiconductor giants Intel, IBM, LSI, etc. The project in Xian was AMAT's first project in China. A roughly 20,000-square-foot cleanroom, central utility building, and office were all part of Phase 1. Phase 2, which has not been designed yet, is a mirror image that will be constructed adjacent to the current building. The IDC clean rooms division of CH2M HILL did a fast-track design-build project for AMAT with roughly a 12-month design/construction schedule to go from design start to ground breaking to first tool install. Construction began in the summer of 2006 and was completed (albeit a little late) in May of 2007.

The total project cost was approximately \$30 million USD. The plant is used as a showroom for AMAT to display some of their Metrology and Thin Film semiconductor tooling technologies to their clients in the Asian market. The team I met were in their final phase of work before heading home to new assignments. Jon Dalm, AMAT project manager from Austin, was a pleasure to meet and had high regard for our staff and the hard work they are doing. It was a fun experience to meet staff from offices in the Far East, as well as from my old stomping grounds in PDX. We even met Harold Burke, who is based in DFW (where I am) but has always been on the road and hasn't had much of a chance to set up his office there yet! Eight of the nine staff on the job are shown in the accompanying photos. As an added note, Dan and Patty Devin in our U of W traveling group

are ski friends of Dick Foster/SEA and a couple we met on the Yangtze River cruise, Bill and Sue Steele, are friends of Arlen Borgen. A small world indeed!



(l to r): Tom Polen/ABQ, Gordon Koblitz, Del Proffitt/RON (outside PDX), Carl Gatzke/PDX, Indayani Sularso/SIN, Harold Burke/DFW.



(l to r): Del Proffitt, Jim Castaneda/PDX, Gordon, Jon Dalm/AMAT, Lee Ching Chew/SIN, Ming Chang/PDX.

## Where Are They Now and What Are They Up To?

### UPDATE FROM BOB CRITTENDEN/MGM

Emily and I are still residing in Montgomery. Since retirement in 2000 our life has centered around the activities of our children and grandchildren. Our daughter, an attorney, lives in Columbia, South Carolina with her husband and three children. We visit often and enjoy our time with those three active boys. Our son is doing research at Georgia Tech. He completed his PhD in Mechanical Engineering there and lives in Atlanta with his wife. We have enjoyed several river and ocean cruises in the last few years. I go on a backpacking trip each year with my son and brother (Cumberland Island, Georgia last year). I am currently looking forward to my 50th reunion in September at Virginia Tech.

### UPDATE FROM JUDY CLARK/CVO

To fill you in on what's been happening in my life.....I took and passed my national and state real estate broker exams recently and have been hired by a local real estate firm, Keller Williams. I am very excited about working for this company. In many ways, they remind me of CH2M HILL. They are very ethical, believe that their employees are their most valuable asset.....and they have profit sharing! Leaving CH2M HILL after almost 34 years is not an easy thing to do....but what's even harder is leaving many of you. I'd love to keep in touch. My home e-mail is [clarkjac@comcast.net](mailto:clarkjac@comcast.net). If you're ever in the market for a reliable, loyal, trustworthy, "get-down-and-get-it-done" real estate broker, don't forget to look me up. Thank you for all of the wonderful, wonderful memories.

### UPDATE FROM DICK HUMPHREY/CVO

We were in Galveston recently for the commissioning of a new Navy ship, the USS KIDD DDG 100.

It was an impressive ceremony. This is the third ship to bear the name Kidd. They are named after Admiral Isaac Kidd, who was Commander of Battleship Division One aboard the ARIZONA. He was killed in action at Pearl Harbor on December 7. The first KIDD DD661 was commissioned in 1943 and decommissioned in 1964. This is the one I was aboard during the Korean conflict. She was about a week away from the cutting torch in the Philadelphia Navy Yard when a bunch of people in Baton Rouge finally completed a deal with the Navy, and whoever else, to save the ship in order to make it the centerpiece of the Louisiana War Memorial in Baton Rouge. Two cradles were constructed in the Mississippi River so the moored ship could sit in them during low water and float when the river was up. I saw it shortly after it got to Baton Rouge and thought, "there is no way she can be restored." She was just a damned old rusty bucket! Through mostly volunteer labor, they have done it. I saw her about 4 or 5 years ago and was absolutely amazed. She looks as she did when originally commissioned. If you are ever there it would be worthwhile to take a look. The second KIDD was decommissioned and sold to Taiwan in 2005. I think I was invited to attend because of my many years of contributing to the USS KIDD Association, with a little bit extra in 2006.



The first WW2 crew hired a cartoonist to paint a pirate on the forward stack that supposedly looked like Captain Kidd. Unfortunately they had to cover it up, but the painting was protected first. I have only seen a picture of it and it was very well done. There were several humorous doings that are described in the first 4 or 5 paragraphs under "History" on the ship's website, which is [www.uskidd.com](http://www.uskidd.com). They have overnight camping on board, school tours, and many, many reunions of veteran's units.

### **UPDATE FROM MIKE MYNHIER**

I have been "practicing" retirement by working half time since 2005. Not sure yet what my 2008 schedule will be. I'm still involved with projects for the City of Atlanta, Gwinnett County, and quality audits. I am also enjoying woodworking, travel, hiking and camping, grandkids, Marge, and volunteer activities with our church and local elementary school.

### **UPDATE FROM BUNNY SCOTT**

It was great having the 2007 Retirees Retreat in central Florida, and the opportunity to showcase CH2M HILL projects such as the water treatment plants in Cocoa and Winter Park. Going behind the scenes at the Kennedy Space Center gave us a rare opportunity to see where the space shuttles are checked out prior to being moved to the launch pad by the crawler transport. It was a great tour and we appreciated Ignacio Garcia-Bengochea's arranging the visit. Thanks to everyone who made the retreat so interesting and enjoyable.

### **UPDATE FROM EARL REYNOLDS**

Earl and Jodi, married in 1991, enjoy a simple lifestyle centered around family, friends, and travels to not-so-distant lands. Some favorite activities include attending performances by the Boise Philharmonic Orchestra and Opera Idaho, and supporting grandchildren's concerts, recitals, and soccer games, etc. Staying in touch with non-local friends is important, which makes the CH2M HILL Retirees Retreats a highlight every two or so years.

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### **UPDATE FROM STEVE LEE**

Since retiring in 2000, Steve and Yvonne have been doing some traveling, golfing, and enjoying grandsons. Yvonne has gone hiking in Norway, took a biking trip in Vietnam and Cambodia, and has traveled to various states in the U.S. Steve has been busy golfing, and golf course rating as a certified golf course rater, as well as volunteering for the USGA and OGA (Oregon) during the summer months.

### **UPDATE FROM RAMONA RICHARDS**

After retiring I left for the bright lights of Newberg, Oregon. Now, 10 years later, Corvallis beckons to me and I live in Albany and work in Corvallis for Judy Lasswell doing income taxes. My granddaughters are grown up now. Sarah, the redhead, is now married and ready to enter grad school in sociology. Marissa is a junior at Willamette University majoring in math. She plays on the softball team. Megan is a junior at Newberg High School. She is a volunteer at the Oregon Zoo and loves every minute of it.

### **UPDATE FROM MIKE AND SHARON ANGLEA**

Since the Denver Retreat get-together, Sharon and I have been busy "fine-tuning" our home site in Sisters, Oregon. This included completing and outfitting a clay art studio for Sharon and a woodworking shop for me. Sisters has a very active Habitat for Humanity program that we are involved with. Sharon has been a homeowner partner and advocate for a couple of families. I have been working with the construction team building houses. There have been a couple of Harley trips during this period, as well as a few trips to visit grandchildren who are spread across the country. I was "commissioned" by our Boston family to help take care of a couple of grandchildren and build a new sidewalk while there. It seems that the parents feel I need a to-do list as enticement. One of the most memorable trips was driving from Boston in late September through upstate New York, on to Montreal and Quebec City, and returning along US 1 in Maine. The colors were outstanding and the Maine coast was wonderful. We had a great time in Orlando and look forward to the next event.

## UPDATE FROM ELEANOR BENEDICT

I have enclosed a picture of me at my second-yes, second-retirement farewell, shall I try for three? The photo shows me holding a picture of myself, signed and framed by those attending. I was hopeful it could be hung along with the founders of CH2M HILL (yet to be determined). I am sad again to be retired from employees I learned from and enjoyed associating with for many years. I am even more sad because I will not be able to attend the "Orlando Beckons" retirement get reacquainted retreat. Unlike me, my '94 Lincoln required much repair work! I will miss being with you all, as it has been fun, fun, fun.

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## UPDATE FROM JOE AND CINDY GAUTHIER

Cindy and I still live in the Tri Cities (City of West Richland) since I retired. Our daughter and her family and our youngest son also live in the Tri Cities, Washington. Our oldest son and his family moved from Bend, Oregon a couple of months ago to Hailey, Idaho. He lived in Bend for over 10 years before moving. Cindy and I have horses and do a lot of riding in the mountains, etc. with friends from our Backcountry Horsemen Group. We also do lots of trail maintenance while in the backcountry. I took up fishing and hunting a couple of years before retiring. The Columbia and Snake Rivers are great for fishing and the area is great for hunting birds and big game.

## New Retirees/Alumni

Estelle Bates-Eccles	Jim Butt
Dave Bennion	Ann Dwyer
Dick Corrigan	George Gunn
Jim Goetz	Phil Hall
Earl Hadfield	Irene Hornyik
Dick Horning	Gordon Koblitz
Larry Henderson	Don Marske
Wilmar Kohne	Jerry Morris
Dick Monroe	Bob Nagel
Bill Murdock	John Roderick
Tom Peters	Jim Scheidel
Dennis Sandretto	Cliff Thompson
Stan Smith	Ann West
Doyle Tinkey	Ken Williams
Bobbie Willcox	Judy Clark
Mary Barzee	

*Note: If an employee has "retired" but not started their pension, we may not know about them. The employees listed above all retired under the pension plan.*

## Deceased Retirees

Ed Clinton 1/06	Richard Stroud 1/07
Joan Hughey 2/06	Sam Baughman 1/07
Mrs. Lila (Gene) Swanson 3/06	Loris Marrs 2/07
Murray Pzena 4/06	Ardelle Wittman 2/07
Bill Thornton 4/06	Mrs. Dorothy (John) Beene 3/07
Jim Abbott 5/06	Jack Bishop 3/07
Mrs. Francis (Niels Nordquist) Brown 6/06	George Fisher 3/07
John Burke 9/06	Ken Stuart 3/07
Mrs. Penny (Joe) Farris 11/06	Bob Richards 4/07
	George Dotson 6/07

**2007 Retreat-Tuesday Kick-off Dinner**



Tuesday welcome dinner: Bob & Emily Crittenden, Carol & Jim Kangas



Glenn & Patricia Dukes, Bunny & Jim Scott, Mark Callahan/ORL Area Manager



Tim Thornton, Manuel Varlet, & Glenn Dukes



Steve & Yvonne Lee, Carol & Dave Evans



June Hassebroek, Sharon Anglea, Joan Marske, Make Anglea, Don Marske



Pam & Gary Triplat, Valerie & Jerry Eggleston



Gordon Koblitz, Megan Snider, Lyle Hassebroek, Steve Aasheim, Bob Bailey, Cari Strouse

**Wednesday morning heading out on the bus for the big tours.**



First few rows (l to r): Yvonne & Steve Lee, Dave & Carol Evans, Lyle Hassebroek, Ellen Chambers (niece of Ramona), Romona Richards, Jim Scott, Earl Reynolds

**NASA**



NASA Vertical Assembly Bldg (VAB) (3<sup>rd</sup> largest in the world – by volume)



Space Shuttle Atlantis getting ready for June 8<sup>th</sup> launch



Back of the VAB, note the width for one of the crawler tracks is as wide as the two lane road



The crawler that carries the 6 million ton shuttle and booster rocket. Each tread cleat weighs 1-ton!



Activity in the space station assembly area



The "Can" for the crew complete with handles



Shower for the crew





Inside the VAB with Mike & Sharon Anglea, Steve Lee, Hector Delgado (our host), Don & Joan Marske, & Les Wierson



Jim & Bunny Scott



Thursday lunch at Winter Park French restaurant (l to r): Earl Reynolds, Cari Strouse, Megan Snider, Jim & Bunny Scott, Valerie & Jerry Eggleston (on right)



Mike & Sharon Anglea



Mike & Marge Mynhier



Friday Breakfast with Steve Aasheim leading the discussion of "Who are we and what do we want to be?"



Les & Myrna Wierson



John & Jan Echternach heading to the next NASA stop



Friday breakfast (l to r): Jodi & Earl Reynolds, Gordon Koblitz, Carol & Steve Aasheim, June & Lyle Hassebroek, Jan & John Echternach



Gordon & Mary Koblitz



Dave Zusi starting tour outside Swoope WTP



Friday breakfast: Marge & Mike Mynhier, Sue & George Silkworth



Jodi & Earl Reynolds outside Swoope WTP



Friday breakfast: Mary Koblitz, Myrna & Les Wierson, Ellen Chambers & Ramona Richards