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**If you move, please give the membership VP a change of address. Also, if you are a snowbird, let us know when you are leaving and when you plan to return so your MARS STAR can be sent to you. It costs us 70 cents for each STAR package returned.**

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## President's Corner

By Bo Rodriguez  
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Our MARS 2010 Annual Picnic was held on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at Clement Park. Three-hundred fifty members signed up. Unlike recent past years, our day started with cloudy skies with light rain falling soon after our picnic event began. Given the weather conditions, it wasn't a deterrent from keeping our members from attending as we only had thirty six no shows! Check out the pictures in back of this issue of the MARS Star and see if you can identify some familiar faces. In addition to the weather conditions, we had the misfortune of having the park's sprinkling system come on and drenched our participating vendor's tent. In a matter of minutes we were able to get the park custodian to shut off the system so that our vendors could display their products and services. As usual, the crowd was jovial and the food prepared by Dickey's Barbecue was delicious. One constant comment made was that the serving line was very slow. I agree and I apologize for the inconvenience it may have caused and we will definitely fix it next year! This year we gave out sixty prizes. The door prizes went to:

Name	Prize
Bob Lines	<b>Grand Old Game</b> book (Delta Dental)
Sally Sanders	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Dan Sullivan	Set of 2 champagne flutes in bag (LMSSC)
Ev Palmer	\$50 Gift Certificate (OPUS restaurant)
Adrian VanLoozenoord	MARS Associates Ball Cap
Rachel Zeiner	Panera \$10 Gift Certificate (Delta Dental)
Rex Reed	Target \$10 Gift Certificate (Delta Dental)
Fred Luhman	Picnic Tote Bag/Water Bottle (Kaiser Health)
Stan Bond	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Bob Zermuehlen	MARS Associates shirt Gift Certificate
Gene Horak	\$25 Gift Certificate (240 Union Grill)

Pat Slovikoski	Set of 2 champagne flutes in bag (LMSSC)
Jim Runkle	Lunch Box & Water Bottle (City of Littleton)
Betty Reynolds	\$25 Gift Certificate (240 Union Grill)
Dan Beebe	\$60 Gift Certificate (2 meals) (Mt Vernon Country Club)
Bob Todd	Laptop Tray & Coffee Mug (LMSSC)
John Turcheck	Picnic Tote with Blanket & Water Bottle (LMSSC)
John Mossman	\$25 Village Inn Gift Certificate (Peliton Benefits)
Elisabeth Mussato	\$25 Village Inn Gift Certificate (Peliton Benefits)
Ray Schwindt	Desk Top Photo Frame (LMSSC)
Pat Runkle	Leather Pocket Note Set (LMSSC)
Charlie Class	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Ken Thompson	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Rob Stanford	Gift Certificate for 2 Rounds of Golf (Arrowhead Golf Course)
Larry Spletstoser	MARS Associates Shirt Gift Certificate
Roy Kannady	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Roy Jenson	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Jerry Unrein	\$35 Gift Certificate (Jose's Restaurant)
Jerry Hayes	<b>Grand Old Game</b> book (Delta Dental)
Hazel Chapman	MARS Associates Shirt & Hat Gift Certificate
Ann Bond	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Ken Woods	Picnic Tote Bag/Water Bottle (Kaiser Health)
Jack Van Pelt	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Jack Bird	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Chuck Woodell	\$25 The Tavern Restaurant Gift Card
Carol Robinson	MARS Associates Shirt & Hat Gift Certificate
Lyle Womochil	Desk Photo Frame with Clock (City of Littleton)
Lynne Knickerbocker	\$25 The Tavern Restaurant Gift Card
Gary Wilson	Cold Beverage Dispenser—3 gallon
Dale Benesch	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Ann Riedel	Set of 2 champagne flutes in bag (LMSSC)
Betty Phillips	MARS Associates Shirt & Hat Gift Certificate

Bob Ballantyne	\$50 Gift Certificate (OPUS restaurant)
George Ondeck	\$100 cash (MARS Associates)
Colleen Urban	\$25 Buckhorn Exchange Gift Certificate
Larry Major	Lunch Bag & Black Print T-shirt (LMSSC)
Walt Hewitt	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Roger Hardwick	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Lyle Bareiss	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Wayne Vandeventer	Gift Certificate for 2 @ MARS Dinner Club
Patricia Park	Laptop Bag & Pad Folder (LMSSC)
Gene Cody	Black Print T-shirt (LMSSC) & MARS Associates Cap
Step Stempnitzky	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Joan Horak	Set of 2 champagne flutes in bag (LMSSC)
Al Davis	Gift Certificate for 2 @ MARS Dinner Club
Bonnie Snodgress	\$50 cash (MARS Associates)
Don Maas	\$50 Gift Certificate at Café Terracotta
Jerome Baker	\$85 Gift Certificate—Jazz Car Wash
Marilyn Nemes	\$100 cash (MARS Associates)
Pat Baker	\$300 cash (MARS Associates)

Thanks to those organizations that contributed door prizes and I would ask our members to consider supporting their businesses in return where possible. Special thanks are extended to Dale Benesch, Barb Espinoza, and Al Hartford for coordinating this annual event.

My hat is off to Hazel Chapman for her continued effort in providing support to LMSSC's employee community events. Hazel identifies and coordinates MARS member volunteers to support several of these events each year when requested by the company. Recently thirteen MARS volunteers supported the company's annual employee health fair. Previously MARS members volunteered by supporting the Fun Run at the Waterton facility that benefited Operation Santa Claus (OSC) in their efforts to raise money for food and toys for needy families with children at Christmas time. In case you are not familiar with Operation Santa Claus, it's leadership and support is comprised of employees from Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company and United Launch Alliance here in the Denver area. Over the past forty years OSC has made its mission to help needy family with children. You can help by

making a contribution to **Operation Santa Claus** (a non-profit corporation 501(c-3) **P.O. Box 179, Denver CO 80201.**

In a brief chat with our Vice President of Membership, Barb Espinoza she informs me that our MARS Associates membership is realizing a nice jump in new member enrollment! Please read Barb's article in this issue of the MARS Star to see who joined. Welcome aboard new members!!

As much as I hate to repeat myself, **we need your participation!!** It is that time of the year for me to remind our membership that positions on the Board of Directors and certain officer positions are coming available in early 2011. As you may know, our bylaws restrict directors and officers to serve no more the two, two-year terms in office. As you can expect some directors and officers have honorably completed their voluntary duty in office and need to be replaced. I encourage our members to help by stepping up and volunteer to serve in these leadership positions to further the cause of MARS Associates in the immediate future. We would like to continue our mission to keep our retirees best interests at heart through strong leadership. If you are interested in serving, please contact **Bill Schrott, our Vice-President of Business** for a listing of positions available. We would like to hear from you.

In this crazy world we live in especially now when so many folks are having struggles and difficulties, please take the two minutes to read this and really realize what matters most:



### The Mayonnaise Jar

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle;  
 When 24 hours in a day is not enough;  
 Remember the mayonnaise jar and 2 cups of

coffee.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him.

When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and started to fill it with golf balls.

He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured it into the jar. He shook the jar lightly.

The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls.

He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else.

He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes.'

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand.  
The students laughed.

'Now,' said the professor, as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life.'

The golf balls are the important things: God, family, children, health, friends, and favorite passions.

Things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the things that matter like your job, house, and car.

The sand is everything else--The small stuff.

'If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life.

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff,  
You will never have room for the things that are

important to you.

So...

Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.

Play with your children.

Take time to get medical checkups.

Take your partner out to dinner.

There will always be time to clean the house and fix the dripping tap.

'Take care of the golf balls first --

The things that really matter.

Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.'

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented.

The professor smiled.

'I'm glad you asked'.

It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.'

With that, I'll see you at this year's **Holiday Celebration** on December 7<sup>th</sup>!



### **Next Up!!!**

By Allen Sanders  
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### **READ THE LAST PAGE FIRST**

The back page of your STAR has the events calendar of all MARS activities. Reading it carefully will keep you informed about all the MARS social, recreational, and informational events. Sure, it looks a lot the same each quarterly mailing, because the format stays pretty much the same. The days of the month for many of the activities also are unchanging. So it is understandable that members often do not really "read" that page. But it is full of

information, and more importantly, opportunity. Opportunity to participate in the many activities that a relatively few MARS members take advantage of. So, use this roadmap each quarter, read the last page first, and GET INVOLVED.

I had a GREAT time at the picnic. Any members who signed up and opted to stay at home because of the weather missed a good food spread, the opportunity for lots of prizes as listed in this STAR, and the fellowship (slightly damp) of other MARS members. The intermittent rain turned out to be not much of an issue, with the covered tables.

Since the inception of the hidden MARS membership number, we have gotten no response from any of the winners and therefore have not yet awarded any prize of a year's dues paid. We have another number hidden in this issue. Recall, your membership number was assigned sequentially by the VP of Membership when you joined MARS and was provided on the Membership Card. But if you have lost or misplaced the card, no problem, since we use the current roster for membership verification at MARS events and presentation of a card is not required, and your number is printed for reference on the STAR package mailing label. Identify the number hidden in the STAR as yours, call any MARS officer and identify yourself, and your next annual dues payment will be free!

We would love to hear from more of you on what MARS can do better for you. Different clubs, changes in the offered activities, STAR articles, you name it. Help shape your organization to provide maximum benefit to you by calling or emailing any Officer, Director, or club president.

Our community is always looking for help through volunteers. Check out the MARS web site at [www.marsretirees.org](http://www.marsretirees.org) under the Volunteer button or call me for details if you do not have internet access. The following organizations are in need of volunteer help/participation: The Denver Children's Museum is in need of Exhibit Volunteers to help build, test, and perfect rockets, hovercrafts, and other fascinating creations to teach children about the principle of flight; Link To Learn is seeking MARS member volunteers to participate in their live web video classes, interactively sharing field experiences in Aeronautical Engineering, Structural Engineering, Astrophysics, and Celestial Navigation; The Denver Museum of Nature and Science has opportunities for volunteering that include out-front and behind-the-scenes activities; ArtReach volunteers provide art and cultural experiences to at-risk and underserved

populations; McLain Community High School Literacy Program needs volunteers to be evening tutors, after the short, free training session is completed, to raise students reading levels in order to take the GED test. Tutors are needed in reading, social studies, math, and language arts; Tutors are needed in math and science at Littleton, Dakota Ridge and Green Mountain High Schools; Thunder Ridge High School is looking for retirees to speak to students in Science and Astronomy classes about various facets of Aerospace Engineering and careers. Invest in your community and enjoy the rich experiences of helping others.

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## From the Editor's Desk

By Tom Pighetti  
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Please send us your suggestions, comments, questions or critiques and we will publish them with an answer or provide a response and forward them to the MARS Officer(s) who would be best to provide a response. Send your "Letters to the Editor" to [tjpighetti@q.com](mailto:tjpighetti@q.com) or [shupel@comcast.net](mailto:shupel@comcast.net) or snail mail to MARS Associate. Attn: Editor, Post Office Box 1128, Littleton, CO 80160-1128. Thanks in advance.

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## Special News

By Matt Grogan  
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### Medicare/LMT Retiree Health Plan Changes for 2012

We Lockheed Martin retirees over 65 get our health insurance from one or both of two sources: Medicare and the Lockheed Martin Retiree Health Plan. Both Medicare and LM plans have open enrollment periods coming up in October-December and the plan details change from year-to-year, both in costs and benefits. At the time of this writing (10/2/2011), we know a lot about the 2012 Medicare Prescription Drug Plans (PDP) and Medicare Health Plans, but not much about Medicare part B premiums, co-pays and deductibles, nor any changes to the LM Retiree Health Plans. (The Medicare Medigap plans don't have an upcoming

open enrollment period and you can find out about them on [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov) and on [www.dora.state.co.us/insurance/](http://www.dora.state.co.us/insurance/).) So now we'll tell you what we know about the upcoming 2012 plans and publish updates on the MARS website as we learn more.

### **Medicare PDP Changes:**

The Medicare PDP guidelines for 2012 have been published as a Standard Benefit Model Plan and the highlights can be found at [www.q1medicare.com/PartD-The-2012-Medicare-Part-D-Outlook.php](http://www.q1medicare.com/PartD-The-2012-Medicare-Part-D-Outlook.php). There are no major changes this year, but three changes of interest for 2012 are:

- Costs will increase a little; i.e., initial deductible up by \$10 to \$320.
- Some additional benefits have been added. Start of the coverage gap (donut hole) will increase by \$90 to \$2930, the discount on generic drugs while in the coverage gap increases to 14% (from 7% in 2012), and the discount on Brand name drugs in the coverage gap remains at 50%.

Note that to date the LM Prescription drug plan included with the LM Health plans does not have a coverage gap, a potentially significant benefit to those who take multiple or expensive drugs.

Companies that will operate in Colorado for 2012 have announced their PDP plans. These 14 companies will offer 28 different plans at least as good as the Medicare Standard Benefit Model. The monthly premiums for the PDPs range from \$15.10 to \$105.40 per month, a slight increase from last year, each have different deductibles and Gap coverage.

If you have a standalone Medicare PDP now and want to change your plan, you will need to enroll between Oct 15 and Dec 7 (2 weeks earlier than 2011), effective Jan. 1, 2012. If you don't want to change your PDP, you can do nothing and your current plan will continue into 2012, but the costs may be different. All PDP participants are encouraged to re-evaluate their plans each year during open enrollment to see if their current plan is still the most cost effective and that the drugs they need are still on the plan's formulary. You can do this re-evaluation yourself online at [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov) using the PlanFinder feature or you can call the local SHIP office (in Denver 303-329-4940) and they will do it for you.

Note that the LM Health Plans include a Prescription Drug benefit so if you decide on an LM Health plan you don't need to be concerned about a Medicare PDP. In fact, if you enrolled in a Medicare PDP you would be dis-enrolled from the LM Plan. (Medicare subsidizes both plans and they won't pay twice!)

### **Medicare Health Plan Changes**

These are the Medicare Advantage Plans like Kaiser, AARP United HealthCare Secure Horizons. The plans available to a beneficiary depends on your zip code, but for 2012 there are 11 different companies offering 31 different plans in Colorado, including HMOs\*, PPOs\*, PFFSs\* and Cost Plans (Rocky Mountain Health Plans). The monthly premiums announced to date range from \$0 to \$246 per month, with varying copays, deductibles, and health and drug benefits. Some details of these plans are available now on pg 144 of the Colorado 2012 "Medicare and You" book mailed to most Medicare beneficiaries already, and more detailed information is now available on Medicare.gov, including plan availability by zip code. The open enrollment period for these plans starts Oct 15 and ends Dec. 7 (2 weeks earlier than 2011), and the plans would be effective Jan.1, 2012. If you are already enrolled in a plan, no action is necessary, but it pays to examine the costs and benefits each year to see if the plan you have is still the most cost effective, using Medicare.gov. Call your local SHIP office (303-629-4940) for help with this determination.

Note that in the past LM has offered versions of two of these Medicare Health Plans to LM retirees in Colorado: Kaiser Senior HMO and PacifiCare Secure Horizons Senior HMO, both with a drug plan included. The Colorado Medicare Kaiser Plan is rated 5 Stars in the 2012 "Medicare and You" listings, the Medicare United HealthCare Secure Horizons Plan is rated 4 Stars. Note that the 2011 LM Secure Horizons Plan is offered by PacifiCare, not United HealthCare, so extrapolating the rating may not be realistic. **New this year**, starting Dec 8, 2011 and continuing through 2012, you can switch to a 5 star Medicare Advantage Plan (only Kaiser and Ericson in Colorado) at any time of the year (but just once) if it is available in your zip code (pg 79 of 2012 Medicare & You). Starting in 2012, Medicare will provide bonus payments to those Advantage Plans that achieve 4 or 5 Star ratings.

### **Lockheed Martin Health Plan Changes**

LM has typically sent the annual enrollment package to retirees in October or November. We have no information at this time that would indicate any major changes in the Health Plan offerings for

Colorado retirees. We will put information on the Mars website when it is available.

### Further Information

Call the Denver Metro SHIP office for counseling help with any of the Medicare Plans or use the websites mentioned above. Call me if you prefer at **303-795-1218**, I am one of the volunteer counselors at the Denver SHIP office, and am familiar with the LM Health Plans. For those of you that live outside the state of Colorado, kindly contact me and I will attempt to assist you by directing you to the proper resource.



### Activities Updates

By Dale Benesch  
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Wednesday, September 7 was the picnic at Clement Park. Dickey's BBQ catered. A little problem with only one serving line, it was to have been two. They did offer the leftovers and many members took their next meal or two home. The weather could have been better, but, then again, it could have been worse. The surprise sprinkler operation seemed to be the high point though several people got a little wet. Had a good turnout even with the poor weather. 345 signed up, 300 (?) attended.

The Holiday event this year will be a luncheon at The Hilton Garden Inn in Highlands Ranch on December 7. There will be limited seating as the attendance has fallen so much that we went for a smaller room. The Marriott was not available this year.

Planning ahead? 2012 dates:  
Annual meeting: March 14, 2012  
Senior Lunch: July 11, 2012  
Picnic: September 12, 2012  
Holiday Event: December 5, 2012

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### Senior Fare

By William Schrott  
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I know I'm not the first in this issue of STAR to say that our picnic was very good. The weather did not cooperate but didn't dampen the spirit of all those who attended. The service in the food line was slow to say the least. However the food was well worth the wait. The brownies for dessert were excellent, hate to admit it, but I had two of them.

Peliton, Delta Dental, SAMS, and Kaiser Permanente representatives were there to answer your questions about the services they provide and supply the enrollment forms needed to sign up for these services. There were free items and raffle items provided by these representatives. The free items ranged from candy, tooth brushes, vitamins, and ballpoint pens.

We did have a slight problem that occurred. While all these representatives were at their respective tables, the sprinkler system in the park turned on. Sprinklers were turned off in a short time. The representatives were good sports and survived the soaking. They did want to know what I had planned for next year.

The month of August was sign up time for Delta Dental. There has been a rush of retirees calling for information and enrollment forms. Here are a few points to help you understand your status with Delta Dental:

- 1) The dental plan design and cost for 2012 is unchanged from last year since the period of coverage is for two years (2011 and 2012).
- 2) If you were enrolled in 2011 and wish to remain enrolled in 2012 you do not need to re-enroll.
- 3) The open enrollment information provided in our last mailing of the MARS Star was intended for those members new and/or not currently enrolled in the Delta Dental of Colorado plan.
- 4) If you recently retired and are a MARS member, you can enroll into Delta Dental within 60 days of your retirement.



I have received some suggestions for additional or modified Delta Dental services. As we get closer to the 2013 sign up time, we'll be setting down with Delta Dental to review design and cost for 2013. At that time the suggested changes will be reviewed and any cost change assessed.

Election of new Officers and Board of Directors for 2012 will soon be upon us. There are a few positions that will have to be filled in 2012. Nominations for MARS Associate Officers and Board of Directors are being sought for the 2012 election year for the following positions.

**Officers**

**President Elect** – Performs all duties and responsibilities of the President in the absence of the President; conducts liaison with other Lockheed Martin Corporation retiree organizations; plans, promotes, and oversees organized group activities; assists the President as required. **Allen Sanders**, the incumbent **will assume the position of President** per the By-Laws of the organization.

**Treasurer** – Maintains custody of monies and securities for MARS; keeps accounting records and submits regular reports to the Officers and Board of Directors of the organization. **Duane Del Duca**, the incumbent, has completed his second 2-year term.



**Membership**

By Barb Espinoza  
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The annual picnic was a great success, in spite of the bad weather. It was a pleasure meeting so many of you in person.

**MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS**

As of September 26, 2011, MARS Associates' active membership is 1,577 including 823 senior members. This is net growth of 49 since the last publication.

Please join me in welcoming the following new members:

**Colorado**

- Berthoud            Van & Falo Booth
- Castle Rock        Tom & Ginger Brown  
                          Daniel & Kathy Kolega  
                          Dale & Judith Laing
- Centennial         Wayne Boyd  
                          Calvin & Sharon Harr  
                          Ravindra & Arun Sheth  
                          Sherry Westphal
- Colorado Springs    Edwin & Ann Griggs
- Denver              Michael Flannigan & Donna Bonghi  
                          Thomas & Ruth Godwin  
                          Valentin Gutierrez
- Evergreen          Thomas & Catherine Edmund  
                          Raeanne & Richard Frazer  
                          John & Joann Swanson
- Fleming             Larry & Carolyn Rutledge
- Highlands Ranch   Mitch & Jane Kawasaki
- Lakewood          Ronald & Annette Berger
- Larkspur            Charles & Linda Kocher  
                          Larry & Cheryl Stevenson
- Littleton            Beverly & Michael Baugher  
                          Robert & Linda Berry  
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                          Ken & Mary Earl  
                          Richard & Susanne Flint  
                          Clifford & Barbara Gates  
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                          Royleen & Batey Hobson  
                          Pamala & Dale Hull  
                          Stephen & Mary Martin  
                          Jack & Marilyn Munger  
                          Roger & Margo Shappell  
                          Neil & Christine Swanson  
                          Michael Tinetti
- Morrison            George & Cheryl Ferrell  
                          Evelyn & John Wineski

## **Other States**

Prescott, AZ	Charlene & Thomas Harris
Vail, AZ	Douglas Cook
Danville, CA	Jerra Goodin Manfred Kloss
San Jose, CA	Larry & Karen Valdez
Oak Hill, FL	Claude & Donna Hutchinson
Viera, FL	Ray & Karen Damaso
Machesney Pk IL	Timothy & Susan Nimocks
Bel Air, MD	Thomas & Deborah Considine
Canyon Lake, TX	Delbert Wilson

## **MARS-Affiliated Clubs and Volunteering**

Interested in volunteering or joining a club? See the MARS web pages or the MARS STAR for more information about these activities. Contact any MARS officer or point-of-contact to participate or volunteer.

## **MARS Membership Unit**

MARS membership is defined in the policy manual as a family unit consisting of the retiree and spouse (or significant other), although the membership card and mailing data are in the retiree's name. In the event the retiree dies, the spouse becomes the member in his/her own name and may remain a MARS member by continuing to pay the annual dues. Senior membership status (age 75 and above) is based on the retiree's date of birth, even for the surviving spouse member.

## **Addresses & Phone Numbers**

When you move please include the MARS membership team in your list of people to contact with your change of address. We want to make sure that you receive all of the information available to you through the STAR mailings which includes newsletters, flyers, and info on Lockheed Martin activities. Please notify us promptly by letter, e-mail, or phone of any change to email, home address, or telephone number. Unfortunately, the Post Office does not forward standard mail and they charge us for notification of undeliverable envelopes.

If you regularly spend part of the year away from your address of record, let us know your alternate address and the dates you are there. We will send your STAR mailing to that address!

## **In Memoriam Data**

Information in this section includes published obituary reports and information received directly from MARS members or their families. Please contact Barb Espinoza, Membership VP or Roy Kannady with any information regarding the passing of a member or their spouse so their passing is acknowledged in the ***In Memoriam*** section of the STAR.

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## **MARS Associates In Memoriam**

By Roy Kannady  
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### ***Members***

Andersen, Myron H. (D: Jul '11)  
(Preceded by Lorena (D: Dec '05))  
Centennial, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/3pp7iqz>

Hall, David S. (D: Jun '11)  
(Survived by Valerie E.)  
Lakewood, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/3gldl2f>

Kehm, Sara L. "Sally" (D: Aug '11)  
(Preceded by John M. (D: May '01))  
Mecosta, MI  
<http://tinyurl.com/3tw3s4o>

Lawless, Robert C. (D: Jul '11)  
Denver, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/4xg4jxg>

Prudhomme, Patricia J. (D: Jul '11)  
(Survived by Robert R. "Bob")  
Denver, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/6gpnphn>

Schuler, Wallace B. "Walley" (D: Jul '11)  
(Survived by Twila J. "June")  
Oshkosh, NE  
<http://tinyurl.com/42jurav>

Scott, Gerald F. (D: Aug '11)  
(Preceded by Rosemary M. (D: Jul '08))  
Littleton, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/6bv6cw5>

Taberski, Edwin A. (D: Sep '11)  
(Preceded by Marilyn R. (D: Jul '04))  
Westminster, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/3cvcdp7>

Teague, Beal M. (D: Sep '11)  
(Survived by Illeta)  
Lakewood, CO  
No obituary notice published in the paper nor at  
the mortuary

Young, Dorrall A. (D: Jun '11)  
(Survived by Patricia A.)  
Las Cruces, NM  
<http://tinyurl.com/44znsga>

## **Non-Members**

DeSize, Lorne K. (D: Jun '11)  
(Survived by Joyce)  
Littleton, CO  
[http: unavailable](http://unavailable)

Keck, Robert "Bob" (D: Jul '11)  
(Preceded by Margaret "Dollie" (Sep '92))  
Golden, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/6xlmnp6>

Ketchum, Robert "Bob" (D: Aug '11)  
(Survived by Elaine)  
Aurora, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/6eupl9u>

Maytum, Charles D. "Dave" (D: Sep '11)  
(Preceded by Evelyn (Sep '10))  
Littleton, CO  
<http://tinyurl.com/66uq4he>

Pass, Nolen "Pass" Sr. (D: Jul '11)  
(Preceded by Eva M. (Apr '01))  
Garden City, KS  
<http://tinyurl.com/6dcwntk>

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## **Historian's Corner**

### **Space Program Animal Heroes**

By Bill Cossaboom  
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Did you know that The Martin Company (Denver) had an animal research center for a few years in the early 1960's? The research center was approximately where Chatfield Reservoir is currently located. The facilities activities supported the Gemini Program. Life Sciences and Human Factors had centers in Baltimore MD and Denver CO.

Think back to 1961, May 25<sup>th</sup> to be exact. - President Kennedy announced before a special joint session of Congress the dramatic and ambitious goal of sending an American safely to the Moon before the end of the decade. The nation was energized.

The effect of space travel on man was an unknown then. Would space adventurer's brain waves be impacted? What was the effect of space on the human blood pressure? Certain physiological questions needed to be answered prior to sending our first man into space. The Martin Company Animal Research Center existed to help answer these and other questions about space travel for mankind- too many to mention here.

The center was headed by Dr. Harry Gorman a highly respected medical professional in the veterinary field, and a pioneer in artificial hip surgery. Dr. Gorman's Registered Nurses were Neva Gentry and Elsie J. Cossaboom, my mother. Mother, wanting a nursing change (she was a WWII Army Nurse) took the opportunity to play a part in getting the USA to the moon.

In this day and age, people conjured up horrible visions of abuse when they thought of animal research. This certainly was not the case with the Martin Company. All of the dogs were rescued from shelters and most had been abused by their owners. I don't know where the monkeys came from but they sure didn't like me! Mice were also studied as generational effects and could be studied quickly.

I was a boy of 9 or 10 in those days, and my brother and I (of course The Martin Company Security organization had to approve us) were able to go out to the center one weekend a month, when it was mothers' weekend rotation; to feed the animals and clean the cages while Mother tended to the animals in the clinic. It was fascinating for this young boy and I wanted to work at this company when I 'grew up'- to be a part of the space program.

Lady was a beautiful and kind dog who stole everyone's heart. In this picture, my mother helps test the telemetry system with an assist from Lady. Note the bulky receiver mother is holding and the antenna under Lady.



I believe the center closed in 1963 having developed a method by which animal blood pressures could be taken in space and how brain waves could be monitored. All of the dogs were found good homes to live out their remaining years. All the monkeys were given to local zoos.

In this photo, Mother checks out a hero. Note the 'state of the art' autoclave in the background!



The Martin Company presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the Aerospace Medical Association in Los Angeles California, April 29-May 2, 1963. The subject of the conference was "Life Sciences and Human Factors".

I think often of the unsung animal heroes, who gave of themselves, be it a dog on the ground or a brave monkey taking a quick ride into space.

Did you know?

- The Martin Company was a pioneering entity in the development of solar panels?
- The Martin Company developed a non-occlusive, non-invasive blood pressure measuring system? The data being transmitted by RF telemetry?
- The Martin Company also developed a variable torque simulator in 1962? The picture of that is a real riot! And torque issues still continue to rear up even today!
- Eight Four Nine
- The Martin Company developed a Space Cabin Simulator?
- In Baltimore, the Martin Company's Space Systems Division developed a two-man mooncraft model to simulate the critical rendezvous and docking steps of lunar landing mission?

Here, Dr. Gorman is 'instructing one of his prized test subjects before placing him in the small animal chamber in the Space Cabin Simulator.' To the right is the Space Cabin Simulator which could (and did) accommodate both animal and human heroes.



The following quote is submitted by Jeannie McElhaney Pershin, co-Grand Marshall of the 2011 Western Welcome Parade with her brother, Terry McElhaney:

"I remember getting to go out to Martin Marietta with Mrs. Cossaboom and daughter Nancy, a couple of times, to help feed and clean the cages. It was

quite a treat to help with the animals, they were so excited to see us, at least the dogs were; the monkeys kind of scared me so I stayed clear of them."

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## Bridge Club

By Dave & Kathy Martz  
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"*You can always judge a man's character by the way he plays cards.*" stated by Ely Culbertson, one of the first great players and a national supporter of contract bridge.

Come and join us at our monthly get together. We welcome all MARS members. We play on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at the Buck Community Recreation Center (Littleton) from 10 AM to 2 PM (pack your lunch).** The club provides the cards and all requirements for the games as well as coffee, tea, and hot water for your enjoyment.

Couples, as well as singles, are welcome. If you don't have a bridge partner, the club can assist in finding one for you, if you let us know in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the following Bridge Club Officers:

Presidents:

Dave & Kathy Martz, 303-683-9524

Vice-Presidents:

Bill Kacena, 303-973-2685

Secretary:

Theodore Bornhoeft, 303-933-9730

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2011 winners are as follows:

### July 15 (6 tables)

1<sup>st</sup> – Dick & Madeline Maginn

2<sup>nd</sup> – Fred & Mary Ems

3<sup>rd</sup> – Mike Davis & Trudy White

4<sup>th</sup> – Dave & Kathy Martz

### August 19 (6 ½ tables)

North-South 1<sup>st</sup> – Ed Cortez & Theodore Bornhoeft

2<sup>nd</sup> – Ed & Laurie Bock

East-West 1<sup>st</sup> – Joe Pohlen & Maurice Larue

2<sup>nd</sup> – Fred & Mary Ems

### September 16 (5 ½ tables)

North-South 1<sup>st</sup> – Ernie & Cecile Berliner

2<sup>nd</sup> – Loman & Pat Park  
East-West 1<sup>st</sup> – Dick & Madeline Maginn  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Mike Davis & Trudy White

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## Dinner Club

By Ralph & Carole Dergance  
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Your Dinner Club just keeps on enjoying very fine, cost-effective meals in 2011. The level of participation increases with each year. We also continue to receive suggested venues from our members.

We began this quarter by venturing all the way to **240 Union** on **August 17** where **63** Associates enjoyed the usual superior dinner. On **September 14**, we are treated to something new at **Arrowhead Golf Club**. We were served a custom buffet rather than the plated entrees of the past. Only **42** Associates attended to enjoy the wonderful ambiance of AHGC. Perhaps it is time to give Arrowhead a rest and try something new next year (already booked).

Another new venue is on tap on **October 16**. We will have a private early dinner at **Sansone's Bistro** in Greenwood Village. This restaurant has been highly recommended by several of our members. This dinner is scheduled on Sunday and has been sold out for quite some time. Not to worry – the Broncos have a bye on that date. We will then close out our year by being treated to the usual superior buffet at **The Garden Terrace** in Inverness on **November 9**.

We will begin 2012 with a luncheon at a new venue, **The Chinook Tavern**, on **January 16**, followed by a private brunch at **Opus** on **February 19**. We will then revisit the **Buckhorn Exchange** on **March 21** for lunch. This will be our 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year to partake of the unique atmosphere and menu of the historical landmark restaurant. On **April 11** we will have lunch at the new **Tavern** in downtown Littleton. There will be no event in May since your club presidents will be traveling at that time. We will then return to **Pinehurst Country Club** for yet another superior dinner on **June 20** followed by our annual trek "up the mountain" for a buffet luncheon at **Mount Vernon Country Club** on **July 18**. The remainder of 2012 is negotiated and will be revealed in future issues of the STAR.

Thanks to your continued enthusiastic support, many of our events reach capacity **well within a week or two of the STAR mailing**. Therefore, you are all advised to get your checks in early.

**Please remember that you may send a single check if you choose to simultaneously reserve spaces for multiple Dinner Club events.** Please do not combine Dinner Club events with other MARS events (i.e. Holiday Celebration, Annual Meeting, Senior Luncheon, Picnic, Dues, etc.) on a single check. Also, please remember to include the name(s) of guest(s) on the sign-up slips. This will greatly simplify preparation for your events.

We look forward to the continued success of the MARS Associates Dinner Club. We encourage all Associates and their guests to join us for very enjoyable, affordable, and satisfying culinary events.

As we have reported for the past two quarters, we have decided that it is time for us to step down and move on the other activities after 12 years of running the Dinner Club. It is our plan to turn over the leadership of this club at the end of the next MARS Associates operating year (on March 1, 2012). We already have booked all of the events for 2012, making the transition to the new presidents quite simple. With 12 years of history, we have developed a financial system, programs that prepare the monthly fliers, a data base of restaurants, and associated contacts, a zero-cost checking account, a meal identification system when needed, name tag format and software, etc. All of this capability will be available to the new presidents thereby further simplifying the transition. Please contact us if you want to help your fellow MARS Associates by assuming the leadership of the Dinner Club. It is really quite simple to run and is very rewarding.

**Think about this opinion from a Founding Father:**

*"They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."* Benjamin Franklin

**Buono L'appetito!!!!!!!**

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## **Golf League**

By Paul Boykin, Golf League President

With less than a month left in the 2011 season, the MARS Golf League completed its annual season tournament and hosted a dinner to celebrate the year's success! Early in September, 44 golfers competed in the annual championship rounds from which the 2011 season champion is determined. It is a two day, two-round, and stroke-play, net result tournament conducted at Common Ground and Broken Tee golf courses. The courses were challenging and the weather was perfect!

This year's champion is Ev Palmer! Ev playing some of his best golf of the season led the field after each round, compiling a net 121 score. Bill Freeman and Bob Knickerbocker finished second and third respectively. The first eight finishers, along with this year's medalist (stroke-play leader) and most improved golfer were recognized and received awards at the dinner. Those in attendance were treated to a great meal and enjoyed the early evening in a wonderful setting provided by Bonnie and Bob Snodgrass. Cash awards, trophies, and some great prizes were provided by the league and both golf courses. Congratulations to all for a successful event!

This year not only did we recognize our tournament winners, but we showed our appreciation to our members whose contributions ensure the league is well conducted. They are: Duane DelDuca and Bob Bowe, as tournament chairmen work each week to ensure all 52 members had the opportunity to play each week and that the courses were in a position to accommodate those that accepted the challenge. Tom Hall kept members abreast of their handicaps and CGA/PGA rules and regulations; he is our statistician and ensures the league is sanctioned. Jack Kimpton serves as our treasurer and Bob Knickerbocker, plays a vital role managing our website and contributing greatly to keeping our league rules and supporting documentation up to date. Floyd Teiffel serves as Vice President and Good Will Ambassador. Matt Grogan drives our pace of play stats and communicates our progress to the golf courses.

All of the members contribute to the league by volunteering to co-chair one or several events throughout the year so each event goes well! But we owe a debt of gratitude to these individuals for their passion for the game and commitment to the league. This year may soon be challenged by weather, but it is far too late to impose on what has already been a great year of golf!

Lastly, I would ask everyone to stop by the courses and give a big thank you to the course Directors, Dave Troyer, Common Ground and Dick Spada, Broken Tee, for accommodating us this year. Their professionalism and contributions are greatly appreciated.

If you have questions or suggestions for the league, please feel free to contact me, Paul Boykin (303-346-4814).

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## Photography Club

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## Planner's Report

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## The MARS Associates Website

By Paul Bingham  
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When was the last time you looked at the **Volunteer Page** on your MARS web site?? It is a worthwhile page with useful information on MARS Volunteer-Of-The-Year, and several places where volunteers are needed.

### 1. **Volunteer-Of-The-Year**

The MARS Associates Vernon B. Selby Memorial Volunteer of the Year Award recognition program is designed to acknowledge the accomplishments of MARS Associate members by their contemporaries. Outstanding efforts and significant positive impacts to our communities through voluntary participation often go unrecognized. Among the program's goal is to recognize members for their dedicated involvement that may have gone unnoticed. This program is intended to encourage participation and recognition of our membership.

## 2. **Volunteer Opportunities**

Many opportunities for us to volunteer in worthwhile organizations are described, such as:

- **Children's Museum Summer Opportunity**

Join the Children's Museum to engage children in the excitement of rocket science. As an Exhibit Volunteer, help build, test and perfect rockets, hovercrafts, and other fascinating flying creations to teach children about the principle of flight.

- **Link to Learn**

Link to Learn is seeking MARS member volunteers to participate in their live web video classes, interactively sharing field experiences in Aeronautical Engineering, Structural Engineering, Astrophysics, and Celestial Navigation.

- **Denver Museum of Nature and Science**

The Museum has numerous opportunities for volunteering. These include both out-front and behind-the-scenes activities. For details, go to your Volunteer page.

- **ArtReach Volunteer Program**

The ArtReach Volunteer Program provides the support for ArtReach that enables the organization to continue to provide arts and cultural experiences to at-risk and underserved populations. Volunteers are drawn from all segments of the community, including artists, clients, and service organizations.

- **McLain Community High School Literacy Program Seeks Volunteers**

We are located at 13600 W. 2nd Place, Lakewood, CO 80228, just south of Red Rocks Community College off the 6th Avenue Frontage Road between Simms and Indiana. We are open from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. with tutoring and classes going on throughout the day and evening.

Free training is provided to volunteers by the Literacy Coalition of Colorado, a non-profit group of literacy providers and supporters in the Greater Metro Denver area. Our immediate needs are diverse. We need evening tutors to help students who need to raise their reading levels in order to take the GED (General Education Diploma) test.

- **Tutors Needed for High School Students**

Lockheed Martin has a high school tutoring program set up with three local high schools; Littleton, Dakota Ridge, and Green Mountain. We need your support to continue this program. We're currently looking for more volunteer tutors

to help in math and science. Tutors will work with several students in various subjects one night per week. For more information or to sign up, please contact Denise Kato at 303-971-9090.

• **Retirees Wanted to Speak to High School Students**

Ted Smith, a teacher at Thunder Ridge High School, is looking for retirees to come speak to his students in Science and Astronomy classes about various facets of Aerospace Engineering and careers.

Take a look at your Volunteer web site. Descriptions of these opportunities and the means by which you can contact these organizations that need volunteers are shown there.

The web sites of the month for the last quarter were:

Sept: [MakeUseOf.com](http://MakeUseOf.com)

A collection of geeky - fun stuff

August: [Mapping the 2010 US Census](http://Mapping the 2010 US Census)

Browse population growth and decline, changes in racial and ethnic concentrations and patterns of housing development.

July: [Space Shuttle Flight Deck Virtual Tour](http://Space Shuttle Flight Deck Virtual Tour)

A neat tour of the Space Shuttle Flight deck.

Your website committee members are: Jim Kummer (Webmaster), Linda Stearns, Duane "Smitty" Smetana, Bob Knickerbocker, and Paul Bingham.

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## Denver News /What's New

By Pat Kenning

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## RAMM - Baltimore News

By Dottie Ruth

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Nothing unusual about our summer here in Maryland until our month of August. In one week we were introduced to an earthquake followed four days later by Hurricane Irene and I must admit, the

earthquake scared me more than Irene. I'm not use to my floor rocking and rolling to the beat of a train rumbling through. I always think of Mother Nature with beautiful scenery, flowers in bloom and birds chirping on a sunny day. Storms, hurricanes, earthquakes, now they're more like grumpy Father Nature with a hangover. Well, whatever nature it was, we sure don't care for a repeat.

We had our picnic in June and it was well attended. Chairperson, Ed Dopkowski and his wonderful crew outdid themselves with the food and entertainment. I sure wish I had won the soft crab's raffle.

Our first attempt at having summer meetings in place of January and February was a little disappointing. We had about 20 less members than usual, but I'm sure they were enjoying a summer vacation.

We have a concern with our RAMM organization. We now have less than 300 members from our original 1300 plus of 25 years ago and as our average age is in the upper 80's with way too many in their 90's our membership is dwindling. We lose two to four members each month and how we miss them! We are the heart of the old Glenn L. Martin Company and it is sad to see so many leaving us, but those that remain are a lively bunch with Martin stories of the "good old days."

Our pride and joy, The Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum is celebrating a couple of events. The museum has set aside September 24<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Project Gemini and October 8<sup>th</sup> is Rosie the Riveter Day. Many of our RAMM members volunteer at the museum, especially guiding tourists through the building and oh, what stories they have to relate. Any time you are in Baltimore give a call and visit the museum. I'm sure you will enjoy it.

Take care and stay healthy!

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## Cape Canaveral News

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## **Martin Marietta Retiree's Club (Vandenberg News)**

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## **United Launch Alliance News**

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### **United Launch Alliance Honored with Prestigious John R. Alison Award from the Air Force Association**

#### **National Harbor, MD., (Sept. 22, 2011) –**

United Launch Alliance (ULA) was awarded the prestigious *John R. Alison Award* at the Air Force Association's (AFA) 2011 Air & Space Conference and Technology Exposition Sept. 21 for its outstanding contributions in national defense.

"We applaud the combined 100 percent launch success rate of the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle's (EELV) Atlas V and Delta IV boosters," said S. Sanford Schlitt, Air Force Association chairman of the board. "EELV has contributed to the Air Force's ability to reel off an amazing record of 76 consecutive national security space launches since 1999."

The EELV program is a national asset, launching our nation's most important and complex missions into space. ULA launches missions that help the war fighters protect and serve our nation and expand our understanding of our planet and the universe.

Established in 1992, the *John R. Alison Award* is one of AFA's top awards. Prior recipients include Harry C. Stonecipher of McDonnell Douglas Corporation (1996), Dennis J. Picard of Raytheon Company (1997), and Dr. Ronald D. Sugar of Northrop Grumman (2006).

"Major General Alison was and is a great symbol of the achievements and ideals of the United States Air Force," said Michael Gass, ULA's president and CEO. "It has been the heroic and selfless acts of leaders like Gen Alison that have made the United States Air Force the envy of the world."

Gass received the award on behalf of the 3,700 men and women at ULA and shared his thoughts regarding the recognition. "We are tremendously honored to have been selected for this award and join the esteemed group of previous recipients," said Gass. "Like our customer the Air Force, we at ULA also stand on the shoulders of giants. Our Atlas and Delta rockets are two of the most reliable launch systems in history, with a legacy of more than 1,300 launches during the past five decades."

The AFA is a 501(c-3), nonprofit organization promoting public understanding of aerospace power and the pivotal role it plays in the security of the nation. AFA has more than 200 chapters nationally and internationally representing 120,000 members.

ULA program management, engineering, test, and mission support functions are headquartered in Denver, CO. Manufacturing, assembly, and integration operations are located at Decatur, AL, Harlingen, TX, and San Diego, CA. Launch operations are located at Cape Canaveral AFS, FL and Vandenberg AFB, CA.

For more information on ULA, visit the ULA Web site at [www.ulalaunch.com](http://www.ulalaunch.com), or call the ULA Launch Hotline at 1-877-ULA-4321 (852-4321).

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## MARS ASSOCIATES EVENT SCHEDULE

EVENT/MONTH	2011			2012								
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Board of Directors		2		4		7		2		3		5
Officers	5	2	6	4	1	7	4	2	6	3	1	5
Bridge	21	18	16	20	17	16	20	18	15	20	17	21
Dinner	16	9	NONE	18	19	21	11	NONE	20	18	22	19
Golf	Thu						Thu	Thu	Thu	Thu	Thu	Thu
Photo	13		8		9		12		14		9	
Planners	6	3	1	5	2	1	5	3	7	5	2	6
EzyBytes	28	NONE	2	27	24	30	27	25	29	27	31	7
Web Committee	4	1	5	3	1/31	6	3	1	5	2	7/31	4
Annual Meeting						14						
Sr. Luncheon										11		
Annual Picnic												12
Holiday Celebration			7									
Items due for MARS STAR				3		TBD			TBD			TBD
STAR Mailing	19			25			TBD			TBD		

DATED: Oct, 2011

**Notes:**

1. BOD meets the first Wed of every other month at The Egg & I near Southglenn at 09:30 am
2. Officers meet the first Wed of every month at The Egg & I near Southglenn at 09:30 am
3. Bridge meets the third Fri of every month at 10:00 am at the Buck Recreation Center.
4. Dinner Club: 10/16/11 - Sansone's Bistro @ 4:00 pm; 11/9/11 - Garden Terrace @ 11:30 am; 12/11 - No event; 1/18/12 - Chinook Tavern @ 11:30 am; 2/19/12 - Opus @ 12:00 pm; 3/21/12 - Buckhorn Exchange @ 11:30 am; 4/11/12 - The Tavern @ 11:30 am; 5/12 - No event; 6/20/12 - Pinehurst Country Club @ 5:30 pm; 7/18/12 - Mount Vernon CC @ 11:30 am; 8/22/12 - 240 Union @ 5:30 pm; 9/19/12 - Lucile's @ 11:30 am
5. Golf meets every Thu from Apr through Oct of each year.
6. Photo meets the second Thu of every other month at 1:30 pm at the Bemis Public Library in Littleton.
7. Planners meet the first Thu of every month at 11:15 am at the Country Buffet on S. Wadsworth.
8. EzyBytes computer volunteers meets at 1:00 PM the last Fri of the month except Nov when we meet on the first Fri in Dec - all meetings at the Buck Recreation Center.
9. Web Committee meets on Tue prior to the BOD and/or Officers meeting at noon at Sweet Tomatoes.
10. 2011 Annual Holiday Celebration is Dec 7 at Hilton Garden Inn.
11. 2012 Annual Meeting is Mar 14 at TBD.
12. 2012 Annual Senior Luncheon is Jul 11, at TBD.
13. 2012 Annual Picnic is Sep 12 at TBD.