



SDG&E Retiree Times

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Association Web Site

For current updates between "Retiree Times" mailings or to read about volunteer opportunities go to our web site at: www.sdgealumniassoc.org

President's Message

2009 is proving to be an exciting year for all of us in the Alumni Association. Both the election and economy represent a pivotal period which will be reflected in our country's history.

Hopefully your Alumni Association can provide affordable events, as well as information about discounts and ties to other SDG&E organizations such as the Employees Association.

We are excited to announce that the annual holiday luncheon will be held at Marina Village on Quivera Basin and look forward to having you join us at this new location.

More information about coming events will be published in future issues of the Retiree Times and on our website <http://sdgealumniassoc.org/>.

Frances Hartsell

Alumni Association Scheduled Activities

*Welk Resort Theatre
Thursday, June 25, 2009*

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"

We have a wonderful group day planned for SDG&E retirees and your friends on *Thursday, June 25, 2009*, at the Welk Resort Theatre in Escondido.

We will start the day with a fantastic lunch at the resort buffet. After our meal we have tickets to see the Andrew Lloyd Webber/Tim Rice musical *"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,"* which is a retelling of the Biblical story of Joseph in which Webber and Rice humorously pastiche a number of musical styles such as calypso and country music. *The cost is \$52.00*, which includes your meal and a ticket to the performance.

The matinee buffet starts at 11:15am – 12:45pm. Seating in the theatre begins at 1:30pm. Curtain time is 1:45pm.

We have reservations for a **limited number** of seats and **need your payments no later than May 25th**.

Everyone will arrive at the resort using their own transportation.

Contact Charlyne Oslin-Smith at 619-464-6632 or charlyneos@sbcglobal.net
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**Annual Holiday Lunch
Save the date:**

Wednesday, December 9, 2009

We are moving to a beautiful new location in 2009! Our lunch will be held in the Seaside Room at Marina Village on Quivera Basin near Sea World. Mark your calendars for December 9. Detailed information will be sent to you later this year. Plan to join us and see your former colleagues!

SDG&E Retiree Outreach Team

SDG&E is looking for additional SDG&E retirees who are interested in joining the Customer Programs Outreach Team. This is an exciting opportunity for positive, outgoing individuals to help educate our customers about SDG&E programs and services at residential and commercial outreach events. Base pay is \$15/hour including travel time and mileage reimbursement. If you are interested in applying, contact Angela Shannon at 858- 654-1574 or ashannon@semprautilities.com. If you have further questions about the job, please contact Rose Fowler at 858-636-5784 or rfowler@semprautilities.com. *Fun! Earn cash!*

SIGN UP HERE: As a member of the SDG&E Alumni Assn. if you wish to be listed in future editions of the Alumni Association directory, just provide the information requested below. Please check one of the categories below to indicate membership status. Eligible members are:

1. Regular Member – SDG&E Retiree
2. Regular Member – SDG&E Employee with 25 years of service as of 12/31/97 & transferred to a Sempra Affiliate
3. Associate Member – Employee who left SDG&E before retirement and is now a minimum of 55 years old
4. Associate Member – Spouse of a deceased SDG&E retiree
5. Associate Member – SDG&E Retiree re-employed at SDG&E

You may e-mail your information to Cathy Lavin at sdgealumni@semprautilities.com or mail the form to SDG&E Alumni Association c/o Cathy Lavin, 101 Ash Street, HQ 10E, San Diego CA 92101. Current laws prohibit SDG&E from providing the Association with any personal information.

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (include area code): _____ FAX: _____

E-Mail: _____ Year Hired: _____ Year Retired: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Smart Meter Program

As part of its commitment to help meet the region's energy demands, SDG&E is making changes to help customers get more information about their energy use. One of these changes is the smart meter. SDG&E will replace all electric meters and upgrade all gas meters with smart meters over the next three years.

Smart meters are digital meters with two-way communication that send energy use information to SDG&E. In the future, energy use information will be recorded every hour at a home and every 15 minutes at a business. Customers will be able to access their information online and take advantage of new programs to save energy.

Installation of smart meters will begin in spring 2009 in Escondido. The smart meters will require only the same space as the old electrical meters, so homeowners won't have to do anything except make sure the installer has access to the meter. They will experience an outage of about five minutes while the electric smart meters are installed, but not for the gas meter upgrade. Customers will be notified by mail and by phone as to when SDG&E will come to change their meters.

To learn more, call Beth Rolls-Mathewson at 858-541-5507 or visit <http://sdge.com/smartmeter/>.

SDG&E Assistance Programs: We can help!

In these tough economic times, SDG&E is supporting customers by offering assistance programs and other services. Help us get the word out. If you know of someone struggling with their household expenses or needing a little help, please direct them to sdge.com/extrahelp or have them call us at 1-800-411-7343. There are energy bill discount programs available, free energy-saving home improvements, and much more. A few dollars can make a huge difference in a household budget!

RETIREMENT BENEFITS REMINDER

For those individuals that took equal pensions for both spouses at the time of retirement, if the spouse of the retired individual passes away before the retired employee, you may be entitled to a "POP UP" increase in your monthly pension. Contact the My Retirement Information Line at 1-866-491-3316.

Retirees Jan-Feb 2009

- Larry Alexander
- Joann Allen
- Richard Ashwill
- Gary Avalos
- Gary Bingham
- Kathryn Bogomaz
- Glen Booth
- Alan Bostic
- Manuel Cesena
- Arthur De Lautre
- Marvin Hall
- Clifford Kaseman
- Gerald Lynch
- Roy Sowers
- Manuel Unanua
- Robert Willard

Deceased Jan-Feb 2009

- Glenn J. Carty
- Keith C. Cotter
- Jack H. Harrelson
- William E. Lemen
- James Loh
- Joseph Marchese
- Robert E. Morris
- Edward S. Murawsky
- M. Louise Murray
- Earnest P. Nelson
- Bruce Ramsey
- Adam Shoolbread
- Dennis Westphal

Help Find Retired & Deceased Members

Keeping you informed about our recently retired new members as well as those who have passed away is one of our most important functions. We rely upon local newspapers as well as the SDG&E Human Resources Department for our information. If a deceased member is not listed in our Directory we are not able to send a sympathy card to the family. Please call or e-mail Alice Myers at 858-278-3803, amollyputz@san.rr.com or any of your Board Members if you have any information regarding a deceased SDG&E Alumni Member.

SDG&E Alumni Association 2009 Board

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SDG&E Corporate Advisor – Cathy Lavin

Reverse 911 Call System

During the fire season the County, Police and Fire Departments use a county wide "Reverse 911" automated call to homes and businesses for evacuation purposes. During the last fire storm over 500,000 residents were safely evacuated using this system. You can sign up your cell phone in order to get the warning while you are away from home. To register your phone, go to <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/oes/ready/signup.html>

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