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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

December 4, 2018 will be our 77th Alumni Association Annual Luncheon! The invitation is enclosed; hope you can attend! We'll have a traditional Holiday buffet with ham, turkey and all that goes with it. And a new option: Pay on-line with your credit or debit card or via PayPal! Instructions are included on the invitation. Finally, rather than sending a ballot to elect the officers and new/returning board members that you need to return, we will be conducting our election via a voice vote at the event. I'm looking forward to seeing you all on 12/4!

Your President,
Samm McDonald



NOTICE: THIS IS IT!!! This is the final print and mailed issue of the SDG&E Retiree Times.

Beginning in 2019 all Retiree Times will be sent via email and as a link on the SDGE Alumni website and Facebook Page. If you haven't given us an email address to contact you, please do so on the SDGE Alumni website.

If you don't have a computer or an email account do you have a friend, family member or access to a library with computers?

- Ask a friend or family member if you can give us their email address so we can send the newsletter to them. Perhaps they can print it out and share it with you.
- Ask a friend or family member to set up a free email account for you so we can email the newsletter to you. If you have access to a computer at a library, clubhouse, community center or friend/family you can access it there.
- Consider taking a computer class – many libraries, community colleges and other resources offer them for free! Having access to the internet is a fun and educational experience.

If you are an alumni that receives the electronic version and know members that do not have access to a computer, reach out to them to see if you can help!

For current information on activities, events and notices check the SDGE Alumni website
<http://sdgealumni.org> or
 Facebook SDG&E Alumni Association page
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/408831429206094/>

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Community Partnership: Helping to Build Hope & Find a Cure for Alzheimer's Disease

Having experienced first-hand the devastating effects of Alzheimer's Disease on their loved ones, many of our employees - from all levels of our company, including our President Scott Drury - have stepped up in a big way to raise funds to support Alzheimer's San Diego.

This local, independent nonprofit organization helps families impacted by dementia by providing a wide range of innovative programs and services - all of which are free thanks to donations! There are 84,000 people living with Alzheimer's and related dementias in San Diego County.

At the Celebration of Hope & Courage in September, Alzheimer's San Diego honored SDG&E for our strong community partnership with the nonprofit. Over the past six years, our employees, with support from the Sempra Energy Foundation (the foundation of our parent company), have been a leading fundraiser for Alzheimer's programs.

SDRides4ALZ Raised \$130K Plus for Programs and Services

The family of our president, Drury, is among 250,000 local families who love and care for someone impacted by the disease. For the past eight years, he and his wife have cared for his mother who is battling Alzheimer's.

A few years ago, Drury came up with the idea for an annual motorcycle fundraiser, Rides 4ALZ which combines his love for motorcycles with his commitment to helping find a cure for the disease.

Rides4ALZ was inaugurated in 2017. Just in its second year, the 100-mile motorcycle ride raised more than \$130,000 this year. A thunderous train of some 150 riders took to the streets on July 15, making their way through the rolling hills of Alpine, to the winding road along Otay Lakes, and across the Coronado bridge until concluding at AleSmith Brewery.

Rides4ALZ has blossomed into a community ride that brings together hundreds of San Diegans and employees from SDG&E, and even some So Cal Gas colleagues from Los Angeles, along with an impressive list of sponsors. The event was so successful in engaging our employees that one of them out-fundraised Drury. Mark Foster, a construction manager for major projects, who was new to the ride, raised more than \$13,500, nearly \$3,000 more than Drury.



Mark Foster (L) Construction Manager for Major Projects and Scott Drury (R) SDG&E President helped raise money for Alzheimer's through the annual motorcycle fundraiser, Rides4ALZ.

Walk4ALZ – Get Involved!

In addition to Rides4ALZ, Team SDG&E/Sempra is consistently one of the top fundraisers at the annual Walk4ALZ – the organization's largest event of the year. We will again be participating in this year's walk, which will take place Oct. 20 in Balboa Park.

Event details are on the Alzheimer's website. We hope to see you at the walk!

2018 Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon

The 2018 annual meeting and holiday luncheon will be held at the Scottish Rite Event Center, 1895 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego CA beginning at 10:30 am. More information and the registration form is included in this mailing. A few changes are being made at this year's luncheon:

- There will not be mail-in ballots for the 2019 Board elections. The vote will be held during the meeting. The slate is listed below.
- We would like those with cameras/phones to snap pictures and post them to Facebook or send them to us after the luncheon.

Attendees will also vote on the 2019 Board of Directors as a part of the annual meeting held during the luncheon. The slate of officers and members to be elected or re-elected are as follows:

Members:

Ken Clay
Jerry Crouch
Jim Teeter

Officers:

President: Samm McDonald
Vice President: Brienn Woods
Treasurer: Kathy Sinclair
Secretary: Sally Chew

Alumni Happy Hour “Mingles”

As a result of the Activity Interest survey results we arranged a few Happy Hour Mingles throughout San Diego county. Those who attended had a great time and we hope to keep this going! Here are some pictures from the first three events.



Speaking of voting...

GET OUT THE VOTE!
IT'S YOUR VOTE. IT'S YOUR VOICE. YOUR VOTE MATTERS!



SDG&E ALUMNI TRANSITIONS – 2018(Since April issue)

Deceased 2018

Alice "Sue" Perry - May
 Bang "Brian" Nguyen - Sep
 Carlton Mitchell - Apr
 David Terry Schnitz - Apr
 Dennis Vanderheiden - Feb
 Francisco R Herrera - May
 Frank J "Jim" Pilant - Aug
 Gordon Pearce – Apr
 Henry "Rick" Valdez - Oct
 Jerry Martin Akren - Jun
 Kenneth H Bowhall - Jan
 Larry Dean Ayres - May
 Manfred Pohl - Jul
 Mary H Morris - Jul
 Phillip R "Phil" Duerst- Jul
 Robert Hurd - Feb
 Robert L Faust - Jul
 Robert R Robinson - Apr
 Sallye M Blevins - Jul
 Selim Tarabus - Feb
 Vic Eugene Justis - Feb
 William H "Bill" Clark - Apr

Retired 2018

Acree Shreve - Feb
 Alexander Garcia – Jan
 Alma Miller – May
 Anne Estrada - Sep
 Arcelia Herrera – May
 Arkady Shumsky - Sep
 Bernice Cochran - Sep
 Bill Z Lane – March
 Carol Dorsey – Feb
 Charles Kinman - Sep
 Charles Martinez – Mar
 Chris Chen – Jun
 Christine West - Sep
 Chuck Pearsall - May
 Chuong Lam - Mar
 Cory McClelland - Sep

Retired 2018 (cont.)

Craig Corona – Jun
 Cynthia Lacy - Sep
 Daniel Mena – Jan
 Daniel Sanchez – May
 Dan Stoneman - Dec
 David Moody - Aug
 David Rogers - Jan
 Deborah Lewis – May
 Diej Jones - Mar
 Dora Tapio - Jan
 Doug Sigler - August
 Elizabeth Pascal - Sep
 Enrique Hernandez - Sep
 Francisco Gallegos - July
 Frank Thomas - Jun
 Fred Smith – June
 Gary Evans – June
 Gerald Trimble - Jun
 Gladys Regno – Sep
 Harold Todus - Apr
 James Boyles – Jan
 James Carroll – Sep
 James Erickson – Sep
 James Toombs - Sep
 Jean Dunne – Jun
 Jeffrey Grant – Sep
 Jeffrey Nichols – Sep
 Jerry Sugerman - Sep
 John Baker – May
 John Gordon - Jun
 John Hunter - Mar
 John Pinzini – Feb
 Joseph Strukelj – Apr
 Joseph Wergers - Sep
 Julia Scull - Jun
 Kenneth Buerster – Mar
 Kurt Kaufman - Mar
 Larry Holmes – Jul
 Lawrence Mulvaney - Sep

Retired 2018 (cont.)

Leticia Perez - Feb
 Lisa Murrell - Jul
 Louie LaChusa - Jun
 Lourdes Mariano - Sep
 Karen Benedict – Sep
 Karen Pernu - Sep
 Macro Croce – Jul
 Madeline Rodini - Sep
 Manuel Aguila - Jul
 Margaret Joiner - Mar
 Margaret Stanton - Jan
 Marge Lim – Sep
 Marie Cabral – Apr
 Mark Evans – Jul
 Maureen Doherty – Sep
 Michael Logan - Sep
 Miguel Garcia – Feb
 Milo Jensen – Aug
 Mohammad Hadi - Sep
 Paul Beauchamp - Aug
 Ralph Amerson – May
 Randall Nickolei - Sep
 Richard Ingalls - Aug
 Richard Janke - Jul
 Rick Greenhall - Apr
 Robert Salini - Sep
 Ronald Leslie – Jul
 Russell Orrell - Sep
 Salma Cruz – Jan
 Samuel Felix - Sep
 Sharmaine Hamilton - Apr
 Steven Eaton – Feb
 Steven Mikovits - Sep
 Susan Frakes – Apr
 Susan Mohr - Aug
 Terry Thedell – Apr
 Thomas Davenport – Sep
 Thomas Walko - Sep
 Thomas Young – Mar
 Vincent Tabirara - Sep

For a full list of retired and deceased retirees, see our web archive, <http://sdgealumniassoc.org/id7.html>
 If you have any information regarding a newly retired or deceased SDG&E Alumni member, please contact Alice Meyers at 858-278-3803 or amolputz@san.rr.com
 We need your help! SDG&E cannot provide us this information.

JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT
 As the holiday season approaches, here are some fun and festive ideas to visit.
Canterbury Gardens & Gifts
 "Canterbury has been bringing the best in Christmas for 36 years at this location. We change to Spring after the Holidays and even have a Halloween Spectacular in August. "Canterbury Gardens, A Place For All Seasons"
San Diego Botanic Gardens
 Garden of lights - **December 1– 23 and 26 – 30**
 A dazzling winter wonderland with over 125,000 sparkling lights illuminating the Garden for a magical experience!
La Mesa’s Holiday in the Village December 7-8, 2018
 The Village is transformed into a Victorian Wonderland. Walk the streets of La Mesa's historic downtown and enjoy live music, craft vendors, food, and a kids' area.



“Hello, Carol? Could I use your email address to get the electronic copy of the SDG&E Retiree Times and other updates?”
Do you have a family member or friend you could ask to help you stay in touch? Call us with their email and we'll send it to them to share with you!