ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

March 2014

NEWS FOR AND ABOUT RETIREES AND FORMER EMPLOYEES OF CITGO.





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2013 Christmas Party Goes In The Record Books As A Success!

The annual CITGO Christmas Party was once again held at the Doubletree Hotel at Warren Place. The weather was cold, with icy streets all around town. In spite of questionable roads and some work being done in front of the parking garage, the party was well attended by CITGO Alumni. As always, the food was delicious and folks appreciated the one free drink ticket per person. The crowd certainly enjoyed the Barber Shop Quartet style group who entertained with a variety of songs. The music was great and was a welcome addition to the evening.

Lyle Dusenberg received special attention for his contribution to our Alumni organization (a sort of "roasting"). It took him by surprise and the group thoroughly enjoyed it and laughed a lot.

Thanks to Kathy Moore, who did a super job of arranging the party. She tells us we can look forward to some changes for the 2014 Christmas Party, planned for December 8th.

It's always such a pleasure to see "old" and former friends and catch up on their latest adventures. We all left the 2013 bash well-fed, well-entertained, and looking forward to the next time we can see and visit with former co-workers. Please plan to join us for our 2014 events *(see Spring Luncheon notice on page 4)* – you won't be disappointed.

PERSONAL PROFILE



Julie and Dan Anderson with grandchildren (L) Finley and (R) Brooks, at LaGarita Ranch, CO.

Julie Anderson ... Retirement Is Somewhat "Noteworthy!"

"Hi, Julie. Hope you will do a profile for the CITGO retirement newsletter!" This is the message that popped into my email from my old CITGO pal, Bob Hannay. My first reaction was a mixture of feeling flattered along with a bit of panic. I replied, "Sure, but I'm not very noteworthy." Bob assured me that he thought I was sufficiently noteworthy, so I accepted the assignment, with some trepidation.

What have I done since I drove away from Houston about a year ago, trailing my husband driving a U-Haul with the odds and ends we had taken to our temporary apartment after selling our house in Cinco Ranch? Well ... I've spent the past year (and pardon the unintended alliteration here) having fun with family, friends, food and flowers. Again, I thought, "nothing noteworthy!"

I asked Bob to send me examples of other profiles and he promptly sent two, one from one of my favorite former colleagues and partners in crime, Monty Johnson, and another from a fellow I didn't know named Jerry Harrison. I was well aware of Monty's stellar post-retirement accomplishments as we had contracted with him numerous times to perform research and copywriting chores

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More Christmas Dinner Photos ... *Continued from cover.*







NEW BOOKS BY JERRY HARRISON AVAILABLE ON AMAZON

Because several friends have recently asked if I've published any new books, I'm sending this note to all who might be interested. The simple answer is *"Yes, and all are available on Amazon."*

Quiet Partner, *Devil in the Details*, and *Striking Down Scoundrels*, are now published on Amazon's Kindle Publishing. These may be downloaded and read on your Kindle, or on any major tablet, computer or smart phone using a free app download from Amazon. To find the books, search Amazon by the book title, or by Jerry D. Harrison. Amazon charges $3.99 per book. I really like the low price and low cost of distribution made possible by Kindle electronic publishing. Common in my books are a business background and an element of the Christian faith.

Quiet Partner is set in Boston and Western Kansas. It relates a young man's discovery of his late uncle's investment in his community and his ongoing gifts to those around him. The Christian theme is giving.

Devil in the Details, which is set in Tulsa and London, tells how a small group of executives and managers uncover and attempt to stop a huge fraud that will soon destroy their employer, a major oil company. The Christian theme is prayer.

Striking Down Scoundrels spins a story of revenge and grace, in which four old men travel throughout the United States. Three men play golf and enjoy the scenery. The fourth kills scoundrels and enjoys the scenery. The Christian theme is God's grace. *Striking Down Scoundrels* is also available in print edition at Amazon and at other book sellers. Prices vary greatly.

I hope you enjoy reading one or all of these books as much as I enjoyed writing them.

Sincerely,
Jerry Harrison

ENERGY ONE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION HAS A NEW LOCATION

Effective February 14, 2014, Energy One Federal Credit Union relocated their headquarters and the Two Warren Place branch to the One Warren Place building, located at 6100 S Yale, Suite 100. The downtown branch, located at 220 W. 7th Street, will remain open. Safe deposit boxes will be available at the new location and at the downtown location. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Carlow at 918-699-7151 or GCarlow@energyone.org.

Julie Anderson ... *Continued from cover.*

for my former department, Brand Development. Monty had a long list of accomplishments including researching and helping author the Cities Service/CITGO Centennial commemorative book published in 2010. Jerry was no slouch either, having published several books after his retirement.

So now the panic was beginning to overtake the flattered feeling. Maybe I should quickly run a 30-mile marathon. Or scale a mountain. Perhaps I should run for office? Write that Great American Novel I knew was trying to burst forth from me? None of these seemed feasible or likely at all – especially given my deadline.

Then I began to think, after all, what I have been doing is really what I always wanted to do after my event-filled 37-year career (23 of which were at CITGO) and maybe that's just fine. The first thing we did upon our arrival after reuniting with my kids, grandkids (Brooks, 9 and Finley, 6) and other family members and friends, was to engage in an intensive house hunt.

My husband of eighteen years, Dan and I had spent many years power-walking throughout midtown Tulsa prior to being transferred to Houston in 2005. One of our favorite paths was always the Midland Valley Bike Trail that snakes from downtown, across the Arkansas and back again. As we strode through the Maple Ridge neighborhood portion of the trail, we used to look down at the lovely yards along the way, some of which had steps leading up to the path. "Wouldn't it be wonderful to live in one of those houses," we always said. Well, now we do.

As luck would have it, a house had been on the market for a few months right along this path. We purchased our fixer-upper at 28th and Cincinnati in late March of last year. It backs up to the beloved bike trail and yes, sports a staircase easily accessed from a gate on the back fence. We promptly hired contractors to give the 1931 old gal a facelift. We had tremendous fun transforming the place and bringing out its Cape Cod good looks. For me, the highlight was designing the landscaping, as the back yard was something of a moonscape when we moved in. We crowned it with a big fire pit in the center paved with stone and ringed with funky lawn furniture we found in flea markets and little antique shops. Dan installed his long-desired summer vegetable garden and spent many blissful hours tending and harvesting it.

Even before the house was finished, we began hosting a variety of family dinners and parties for friends, using the deck in the nice weather. While we had stayed in close contact with family over the years away, reuniting with old friends and making new ones was and is a distinct pleasure. There never seemed to be enough time when we were visiting to spend as much time with friends as we wanted but now we have the luxury of time–bliss! Several family members and friends enjoy experimenting in the kitchen as much as Dan and I do so we often find ourselves doing "culinary throw-downs" trying to top each other. Activities also include dinner clubs, book club, a monthly meet-up with a group of 1969 high school chums called "Edison Chicks" and another fun group we call "The Swanky Cocktail Set."

We have also loved seeing and enjoying the many enhancements Tulsa has experienced in our absence. We have found ourselves at many arts events in the Brady, concerts and plays at the PAC, festivals on Guthrie Green and have joined Philbrook and Gilcrease Museums. We've even dabbled in opera! Old favorites such as picnics in Woodward Park with the grandkids are always fun and we look forward to having similar activities in the new Gathering Place which will be right next to the path behind us.

I mentioned the grandkids several times throughout and it goes without saying that being with them on a regular basis is the greatest joy of all. Brooks and Finley do sleepovers often at Juju and Dan's and we have a blast with them each time. We took them to Colorado last summer and have a big road trip through the West planned for this summer. Roadside attractions such as the Grand Canyon and Carlsbad Cavern are on the itinerary, with our final destination – Disneyland.

Well, that's it. As I said, nothing noteworthy at all but for Dan and me, that's more than OK. I hope everyone finds their bliss in retirement whether it be climbing Mount Everest or simply climbing the steps to the bike path behind your house.

2014 CITGO STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

CITGO Petroleum Corporation has announced the 2014 CITGO Student Scholarship Program, which allows the qualified dependent children of regularly scheduled CITGO employees and retirees an opportunity to apply for a limited number of academic scholarships. The program will assist high school seniors who plan to pursue a post-secondary education at an accredited four-year college or university.

The application must be completed and submitted by the student and be postmarked by March 7, 2014.

Applications must be submitted directly to Scholarship America by mail (preferred method) at:

The CITGO Petroleum Student Scholarship Program,
Scholarship America
Attention: Cindy Ayers
One Scholarship Way, Saint Peter, MN 56082

Or, the application can be scanned after it has been signed and emailed to cayers@scholarshipamerica.org.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Scholarship Management Services at 1-800-537-4180.

Mark Your Calendar For the 2014 CITGO Alumni Group Spring Luncheon Meeting

We will be returning to the lovely Coterie Theater at Montereau, in Tulsa, on Monday, April 7, for our Spring Alumni Member Luncheon/Meeting.

Energy One Federal Credit Union is once again graciously sponsoring our luncheon. Our guest speakers will be Tom White, from CITGO GM Business Analysis and Enhancement, as well as representatives from Energy One Federal Credit Union.

Check-in begins at 11:30 a.m., with a delicious buffet luncheon at noon. Please remember this luncheon is for Alumni Group members only.

As a reminder, if you haven't paid your dues for 2014, we will be accepting payment at the luncheon. Dues are still only $10, and your check should be payable to 'CITGO Alumni Group.'

Below is a list of the proposed 2014 CITGO Alumni Officers and Board Members, and on page 5 is a copy of the updated by-laws. We will be voting on each at the meeting.

You can reserve your place at the luncheon via e-mail to Kathy Moore at ak.moore@yahoo.com, or you may call and leave a message at: 918-296-5183.

Deadline for registration is Friday, March 28.

Montereau is located at 6800 South Granite. Phone (918) 491-5200. From East 71st Street, turn north at the light on South Granite. Follow the winding road through the gates of Montereau, and the directional signs will lead you to the main parking lot. If the main parking lot is full upon your arrival, continue around the curve to the second parking area. As you enter at either entrance from the parking lot, please advise the guest representative at the desk that you are attending the CITGO Alumni Group luncheon.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Proposed 2014 CITGO Alumni Officer and Board Slate

• President	Bob Hannay
• Vice President	Kent Powers
• Secretary	Barbara Plummer
• Treasurer	Carolyn Stewart
• Communications	Ray Yarroll
• Membership	Kent Powers
• Newsletter	Connie Schlecht
• Events	Kathy Moore
• Community Relations & Community Activities	Tom Spann
• Web Master	Dave Hynes
• At Large Board Members	Lyle Dusenberg, Tom Horton, Jim Peebles, Ramona Falzone, Jerry Harrison, Charlotte Loomiller, Monty Johnson, Herb Whitney

A VISIT WITH BOB BAGINSKI

Bob Baginski has moved to a nice retirement home in Phoenix to be near his son Tim and several grand kids, with whom he enjoys spending time.

George Margalski (pictured here with Bob) and his wife Conne, who was Bob's wellness nurse at Montereau, had lunch with him on their recent vacation.



The sun and warm weather seem to have helped Bob convalesce from his recent health setbacks.

TULSA (CITGO) ALUMNI BY-LAWS

Below is a copy of the updated Tulsa (CITGO) Alumni By-Laws for your review in advance of a vote by members at the April 7th Annual Luncheon Meeting.

ARTICLE I - Name and Location

SECTION 1 - The name of this organization shall be CITGO Alumni Group.

SECTION 2 - The location of this organization shall be Tulsa, Oklahoma.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to unite all CITGO Alumni for purposes of friendship, CITGO management updates, educational development, aid in service to others and provide active involvement in the community as representatives of CITGO in coordination with CITGO Petroleum Corporation.

ARTICLE III - Form of Organization

The form of the organization shall be voluntary and non-profit. It shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian. No part of the annual dues or other designated income shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons except to pay for expenses incurred for furtherance of the purposes set forth in ARTICLE II.

ARTICLE IV - Membership

Membership in this organization shall consist of CITGO Alumni, Cities Service Retirees or any former employees that a vote of the Board of Directors would allow. In addition any spouse of a deceased Alumni may become a member. Therewill be no limits of the number of total membership. Membership Dues amount shall be established by a vote of the membership. Annual membership dues for the current year is due and payable by January 31st that year.
A member in good standing is one whose dues are current. Dues are considered delinquent after June 1st.

ARTICLE V - Board of Directors

SECTION 1 - NUMBER, TERM, ELECTION, AND VACANCIES

- The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of eleven (11) members:
  - President
  - Vice President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Communications
  - Newsletter
  - Event Coordinator
  - Community Relations & Activities
  - Webmaster
  - Membership
  - A number At Large Board Members
- Each Board member shall serve a one (1) year term. The term of office shall begin at the end of the Spring meeting.
- The Board of Directors shall appoint a nominating committee. The nominating committee shall prepare and distribute a slate of candidates to be voted on by the members at the Spring meeting.
- The Board of Directors shall be elected at the Spring meeting and shall be members in good standing and can be volunteers or nominated by the membership in good standing provided that the individual nominated has consented to serve.
- Any elected office may be held by more than one (1) Member.
- Any Board vacancy can be filled by a person appointed by the Board. Such appointment may last until the next election.

SECTION 2 - DUTIES AND POWERS

- The Board of Directors shall oversee the objectives of the organization.
- The Board of Directors shall adopt such policies and procedures necessary for the operation of the organization as may be consistent with these By-Laws and that are designed to carry out the objectives of this organization.

SECTION 3 - MEETINGS

- A quorum shall be a simple majority of Board Members.
- A special meeting of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President.
- Regular meetings of the CITGO Alumni membership shall be held as established by the Board of Directors and shall be held at least once a year.

Article VI - Amendments

- Bylaws may be adopted, amended or suspended by a majority vote of the members in good standing present.
- Any proposed change to the Bylaws must be presented either at a regularly scheduled meeting of the membership, by a regular mail written notice or electronic mail. Changes will be voted by the membership.

We want the ***CITGO Alumni Connections*** to offer information from and about ALL retirees and former employees of CITGO. If you participate in activities with other CITGO Alumni in your area, we want to hear from you so we can share what you're doing with the rest of our membership.

Please send announcements or updates you would like to see in the Newsletter to cornelia.schlecht@cox.net.

The CITGO Alumni Group's membership year runs from January 1 through December 31 and dues are paid once during that period. If you haven't paid your $10.00 membership dues for calendar year 2014, now is the time to do it. By paying your dues, you will receive copies of the ***CITGO Alumni Connections*** newsletters to keep you up to date on news and events of the CITGO Alumni Group. Send your $10 membership fee (*Made payable to the CITGO Alumni Group*) to:

Carolyn Stewart
7509 E. 91st Pl. • Tulsa, OK 74133
bstewart47@cox.net

Please include your E-mail address and/or any mailing address updates with your payment. THANK YOU.

If you pay your membership dues in cash, please attach your name to the cash so Carolyn will know who she received the payment from.

Please send newsletter article contributions for the ***CITGO Alumni Connections*** by e-mail to:

Ray Yarroll at rpyarr@cox.net

or by U.S. Mail to:

Ray Yarroll
7421 E. 74th St. • Tulsa, OK 74133

DRILLERS BASEBALL GAME
4:00 PM • MAY 28, 2014



We have arranged for our group to attend a late afternoon game at Oneoak Field on May 28th. We have tickets available on a first come, first served basis at a cost of $10.00 each. Seats are behind the dugout along the first base side.

You can sign up at the Annual Meeting on April 7th or call Tom Spann at 918-451-7198 to make reservations.

CITGO Alumni Channel 6 Tour

We have arranged for a very limited number of members to visit the new Channel 6 broadcasting building in downtown Tulsa. We have two tours scheduled, one on, Thursday, April 17th and the other Friday, on April 25th. Only a limited number of people can be accommodated as the Director of General Engineering at the station is conducting the tour.

We will have a sign up sheet at the Spring Luncheon Meeting on April 7th. The first 30 people or so will be approved for the visit. Once the tours are full any others wishing to go will be put on a waiting list and notified if anyone drops out.

There is a possibility that future tours could be arranged and will be planned if there is enough interest. Remember: space is very limited, so sign up at the Spring Luncheon to be included.

IN MEMORIUM

Wanda Hart

Larry Patton
(Refinery Crude Oil Supply and Trading)

Reminder ...



Our CITGO Alumni Group e-mail directory is available on our website **http://www.citgoalumni.org/**

Simply click the "directory" tab.

The password is the current day's date (for example 02132012 ... tomorrow it will be 02142012, etc.)

If you have any questions or corrections, please let us know.