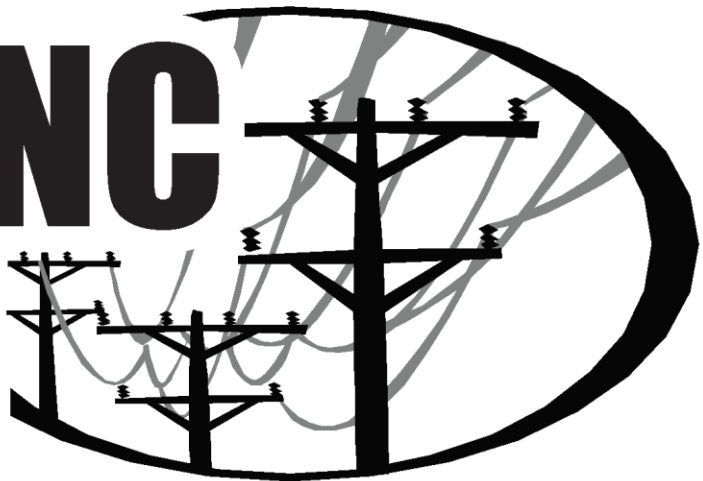


SCS/SNC OUTSIDE



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Word from the editor:

Remember that this is your newsletter. Make sure information you have that is relevant to all gets to me to be included in the newsletter.

Prez Sez:

Happy Autumn! Another year has rolled around and this will be my last newsletter as your president. My how the time flies!

I have enjoyed serving the group and working with the other officers and board members. Even though the Board has only met in person once in the past two years, everyone has contributed and participated in the Zoom meetings as we continue required group activities. I am so thankful that we are seeing signs of getting back to our accustomed pre-pandemic lives. I was able to finally travel again this summer and fall with a few added checks and balances.

I hope to see many of you at our Holiday Luncheon on November 2 at the Vestavia Country Club. I'm happy that we can finally visit in person and share a meal to celebrate the upcoming holidays.

We are processing nominations for our 2022 officers and board members. These nominations will be announced and voted on at the business meeting to be held after our luncheon.

Also, as we have done every year, we will be supporting local charities nominated by the SCS/SNC Retiree Group members. The board reviewed the nominations, and three charities were selected. On behalf of the SCS/SNC Retiree Organization, a charitable contribution of \$1000 each will be made to the following organizations:

- aTeam Ministries
- BraveJoy Ministries
- Seedtime and Harvest BRC

I am proud to have served as president with this group – a group that shares such good fellowship and supports our community in a consistent and caring way. I plan to continue to participate and hope to see you all at our holiday luncheon.

Deanna



Want to keep up with what's happening? Got a computer? Visit the SCS Retiree Website
<http://www.scsretirees.com>

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NOVEMBER-DECEMBER SCS/SNC MEMBERS' BIRTHDAY LIST

November Birthdays:

1 James T. Harrison
1 Christie Whaley
2 Billy Ely
2 Charlotte Graham
2 Bobby Earl Wallace
3 Susan Evely
3 Cindy Flowers
3 Rosalou Maxwell
3 Karen Troncalli
4 Bonnie Goodwin
4 Michael W. Horton
4 Sharon Miller
4 Reese Ponder
4 Sam Stanfield
5 Skeet Edmonson
5 Allison Lee
5 Jeanne Nelson
5 James C. Thompson, Jr.
7 Nan Altizer
7 Betty Ponder
7 Joe Shelton
8 Ed Vernon
9 Ronnie Green
9 Ronald Lewis
10 Dennis Kendrick
11 Charles Hickman
12 Thomas Sanford
13 Deborah Greene
14 Dora Brandt
14 Sam Stanfield
15 Renee Gwin
15 Lamar Larrimore
16 Steven W. Davidson
16 Bruce Hunt
17 Magdaline W. Johnson
18 Sherry Baldone
18 Theresa Burns
18 Dale Evely
18 Tammy Kaiser
18 Beverly Lisenby
18 Rosemary Tenney
19 Sharon Jones
19 Timothy Long
19 Billy Walker

November Birthdays (Cont'd):

20 Charlene Erbskorn
22 Carl Logan
22 William Moore
22 Jan Sorge
22 Phoebe Zandi
23 Ronald D. Creel
23 Rick Holcomb
23 Dale Warren Robbins
23 James Shivers
25 Michael Belford
25 Gary Daugherty
25 Teresa Rambacher
26 Cathy Henry
26 Carol Sims
26 Ron Wilson
28 Noel Chambless
28 Tom Greene, Jr.
28 Dot Legg
28 Tom Milton
29 Jerry Lee Monosky
30 Martha Gail Pugh
30 Sondra Smaha
30 Celia Yates

December Birthdays:

1 Sharon Chaffin
1 John Edmundson
2 James Alldredge Jr.
2 Durby Cabot Robinson
3 Oliver Kingsley
3 Joseph Lamarque
4 Joel Adrian Tuttle
5 Dave Barnes
5 Terry Hatcher
6 Roy Kyle Croft
6 Betty Shivers
8 Mark Stevens
9 Kelly Falletta
9 Linda Henry
9 Vandaly Kingsley
9 James Reed
9 Michael H. Tew

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December Birthdays (Cont'd):

11 Lynda Bartlett
11 Kathy Porteous
11 Tim Wells
13 Dan Javorka
13 Benjamin Pilleteri
13 Jackie Walton
14 Doyle Crews
14 Dean Drinkard
14 Jeffery Mims
15 Michael A. Camp
16 Craig S. Crawford
16 Phyllis Hurst
16 Ted McGill, Jr.
17 Traci Brown
17 Wayne Freeberg
17 William Norton
17 John Sechrist
18 James Bailey
18 Marc Butts
18 Glenda Massengale
18 Veleria Turner
19 Patsy Evans
19 Bradley Long
19 Charles Modica
20 Pat Moore
20 Shireen Thomas
20 Stephen Wells
20 Robyn Williams
21 Debbie Dulion
22 Doug Shelton
23 Richard Chastain
23 Malcolm Garner
24 Wayne Moore
25 Tallulah DeMarco
25 Herb Erbskorn
25 Phillip W. Garrett
26 Peggy Byars
26 Melanie Crane
26 Mary Dean Shelton
27 Mary Willis
27 Charlene Yates
28 Katherine Sechrist
29 Kathy Dawkins
30 Lucille Belford
30 Sandi Boylan
31 Buddy Coggin
31 Eleanor Connor
31 Dave Lisenby



OBITUARIES

George Marcus Crisler "Mark", age 72, of Moody/Talladega, Alabama, passed away on September 23. He was preceded in death by his parents, Quinton Augustus Crisler and Aulta (Audrey) Lee Mobbs Crisler. He is survived by his wife Norma Popham Crisler, his children, Heath Crisler (Michaela), Brandi Meyers (Josh), grandchildren Austin, Sawyer, Jameson, Mason and Lucy. He also leaves behind his brother and best friend Steve Crisler (Joanne), several nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters-in-law, cousins, various family and many friends.

Michael Bentley Dunkin, age 56, of McCalla, AL passed away on Saturday, September 4, 2021. He was preceded in death by his father, Mabry Dunkin. Michael is survived by his wife, Katrina Dunkin of McCalla, AL; his mother, Christine Dunkin of Hueytown, AL; one step-son, Justin Blakely (Catriana) of Manassas, VA; one step-daughter, Tiffany Davis (Branden) of Harvest, AL; grandsons Brently Blakely, Hadley Blakely, Everly Davis, Lincoln Davis and a host of extended family and friends.

Mary Glenn Lollar Hankins, age 65, (wife of retire Tony Hankins), passed away on September 19, 2021. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Glenn Henry and Mary Ellen Parker Lollar. She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Anthony Wayne Hankins, two sons, Wesley Adam and Jason Michael Hankins, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Hankins, a sister, Jayn Leigh Lollar Collins, several nieces and nephews, and recently discovered "bonus" family, Billie Eaves, Craig and Sharon Busher, and Karen Marcile.

Geraldine "Gerry" Lofton, age 74, of Pelham, passed away on Thursday, September 30, 2021. She was preceded in death by a son, Daniel. She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Danny Lofton; her mother, Christine Broughton; a brother, George and his wife Gail, and their son, Trey; her mother-in-law Doris Lofton; brother-in-law, Ray Lofton and his wife, Carolyn and their son, Tyler.



Obituaries (Cont'd)

Pamela "Lolly" Mooney, age 63, (wife of retiree Donald Mooney), of Hoover, AL, passed away on October 3. Pam was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Martha Truett. She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Don; three sons, Jonathan (Rachel), Justin (Kellie), and Jared (Kathryn); her two granddaughters, Lea and Ellison; her brother, Terry (Toby); and many extended family members. Donations be made to The Gideons International, www.SendTheWord.org.

Richard Eugene Mullins, age 69, of Clanton, Alabama, passed away on October 10, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, Erskine Eugene Mullins and Virginia Elizabeth Sharp. He is survived by his wife Sharon Ann Mullins; his children, Richard Scott Mullins (Rebecca) and Rebecca Mullins Crow (Wayne); his grandchildren, Richard William Mullins, Joshua Burgess Mullins, Laurel Kate Mullins, Addison Jane Crow and Tyler Wayne Crow; his sister Jo Mullins Mikell (Mike); and his daughter-in-law Stephanie Mullins. He is also survived by nieces, nephews and cousins.

Diana Hicks Turner, age 71 (wife of retiree Ken Turner) passed away on October 21, 2021. Diana is survived by her husband of 51 years, Kenneth D. Turner, Jr.; children, Kathryn (Justin) Stringer and Eric (Lizzie) Turner; grandson, Shepherd Stringer; her mother, Agnes Wylie Hicks; many other beloved family and friends; and her Prayer Warriors. The family requests memorial contributions be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (<https://www.stjude.org>).



Obituaries (Cont'd)

Wayne Pickett Walton, (Southern Company Services), passed on October 11. Wayne is preceded in death by his daughter Yevonne Bowman and his parents Mae and Pickett Walton. He is survived by his wife Jacqueline Walton; daughters Karen Barrett and Amanda Banker, sons-in-law Lynn Barrett and Anthony Banker; grandchildren Jason Barrett (Pamela), Jonathan Bowman (Holly), Jacob Barrett (Chloe), Emory Banker, Henry Banker and Ella Banker; and great grandchildren Haley and Brooke Barrett, and Camdyn and Mallory Bowman. Donations may be made in Wayne's memory to Bluff Park United Methodist Church.

"Dear SCS/SNC Retirees,

Thank you all for the gift to FBC Moody in Mark's memory. It was so sweet and thoughtful of you all. Mark loved his church, family, and working at SCS/SNC. He made many friends during his time working there.

Thank you again for remembering him.

**Thank you all,
Norma Crisler & Family"**



"There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt thanks for the love, sympathy, and support you have extended to our family during this time of loss.

**With Love,
Sonia, Claudette,
& Rania Garnem"**

LET'S CELEBRATE!!!

IT'S TIME FOR OUR RETIREES HOLIDAY LUNCHEON!
PLEASE JOIN US!!!

MEETING DETAILS

Date: Tuesday November 2, 2021
Location: Vestavia Hills Country Club
400 Beaumont Drive
Birmingham, AL 35216
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(Sign In/Social Hour begins at
11:00 A.M. Seated luncheon
begins at noon.)

MENU

Herb Roasted Turkey Breast W/ Cornbread Stuffing
Cranberry Sauce
Sweet Potato Souffle
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Pumpkin Cream Cheese Roulade or Pecan Pie

Entertainment will be provided by Frank Jones, highly accomplished concert pianist



Frank Jones

Frank received his Bachelor of Music Education from Samford University, and his Master of Church Music from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

During his ministry, he has served churches in Alabama and Texas. Frank has served as pianist for the Alabama Singing Men since 1983. He has led worship and played piano for numerous events and church retreats, including standing pianist for the denomination state convention.

Frank and his wife Margaret make their home in Hoover, Alabama. Frank serves in a part-time position on the Worship Arts Team at Hunter Street Baptist Church. He serves full time with Frank Jones Ministries: <http://frankjonesministries.org/>

Frank has recorded eight solo CDs since 2005. He also has a collection of hymns for congregational worship called "One Mighty Voice." CDs will be available for purchase at the luncheon.

RETIREE CORNER

'A Soul Filled Life'
Produced by Stan Smith
Directed by Austin Wiggins and Stan Smith

The movie project, A Soul Filled Life, is complete! The project started as an idea at a meeting of our Creative Photography and Videography Life group at Starbucks in September 2019. It is the story of the life of my late wife, Nancy Smith, heart/double lung and kidney recipient, and how two organ donors, one deceased and one living, through the unselfish act of organ donation, allowed her to live an extra 18 years.

The purpose of the project was to learn the process of developing an idea into a short movie. This included developing a script, determining what interviews would be needed, site locations, pulling together old photo, film and video assets. Next came the video shoots, and then putting everything together. When all was said and done, we had some 4 hours and 10 minutes of raw video footage before the first rough cut! After much editing, the final length is slightly over 40 minutes! Initially, we thought the video would be 12 to 15 minutes in length.

The movie Premiered on July 17th to about 100 people and was very well accepted. As Austin and I were walking back to the stage at the end of the movie, we were blown away as the audience gave us a standing ovation! Since then, we have submitted it to the Rome Film Festival (Rome, GA) and the Atlanta Film Festival.

The movie will soon be available through the Legacy of Hope (formerly the Alabama Organ Center) website – LoH is the organ procurement agency for Alabama.

After 41 years of service, Stan Smith retired in 2010 from Transmission Planning of Southern Company Services.



Stan Smith and Austin Wiggins



Nancy Smith – Movie Poster



SWEET HOME ALABAMA

Interesting Facts about Alabama

1. **It is a Class-B felony in Alabama to Wrestle a Bear.** It is illegal in Alabama to sell, purchase, possess, or train a bear for bear wrestling. Bear wrestling matches used to be a pretty big deal in Alabama. They were so popular that the state of Alabama added a law under Section 13A-12-5 about “bear exploitation” that explicitly forbids people from engaging in bear wrestling matches. This is a Class B felony which is the same as being charged with manslaughter, so this is a big deal.
2. **Alabama does not have an officially-recognized nickname.** Alabama is known as the Yellowhammer state after the state bird, the Heart of Dixie, and the Cotton State, but it has not designated an official nickname. To make up for that, here are the nicknames of Alabama’s four largest cities: Birmingham, The Magic City or The Steel City; Huntsville, The Rocket City; Mobile, The Azalea City or Home of Mardi Gras; Montgomery, The Cradle of the Confederacy.
3. **Alabama was the first state to declare Christmas a legal holiday.** In 1836 Alabama declared Christmas a legal holiday. The federal government eventually followed suit and declared December 25 a public holiday in 1870.
4. **Alabama is the only state where all three ingredients needed to make iron and steel can be found in close proximity to each other.** Alabama is the only state that has the ability to produce iron and steel with its own natural resources. It also is the only place in the world where all three ingredients needed to make steel can be found in close proximity to each other. Known as the steel city, Birmingham is the only place in the world where all the ingredients for steel are found in the same place. Alabama is the only state with all major natural resources needed to make iron and steel.
5. **The Alabama state constitution is the longest of any of the 50 states.** With over 300,000 words, Alabama beats out all other states for the longest state constitution. For comparison, keep in mind that the United States Constitution only contains 4,543 words. The shortest is the Constitution of Vermont, which sits at 8,295 words long.
6. **The first 911 call in the United States was made in Alabama.** On February 16, 1968, in Haleyville Alabama Speaker of the House Rankin Fite called U.S. Representative Tom Bevill at the local police station. The red phone Fite used is still on display in City Hall.
7. **Windshield wipers were invented in Alabama.** In the winter of 1903, Alabaman Mary Anderson visited New York and while in a streetcar she watched how the motorman had to leave the vehicle and wipe the snow and sleet from the windshield. As a solution, Anderson came up with the idea for a swinging arm device with a rubber blade that the driver could use inside the vehicle. Anderson received a patent for her car-window cleaning device but never sold her idea. However, by 1913 mechanical wipers became standard features on American cars.
8. **Mobile, Alabama used to be the capital of Louisiana.** Mobile was first founded as the capital of colonial French Louisiana in 1702 as part of New France. The city has passed from the French, to the British, then the Spanish, and finally to the Americans, spanning 160 years, up to the Civil War. Mobile finally became part of Alabama on December 14, 1819.
9. **Alabama was actually the first place to celebrate Mardi Gras.** New Orleans has a well-publicized history with Mardi Gras, but the first celebration actually took place in Mobile, Alabama. According to the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, the city’s first Mardi Gras celebration was in 1703, just a year after the city was founded (fifteen years before New Orleans was founded).
10. **The American Civil War started in Alabama.** Alabama was a huge part of the Civil War, but not only that, it more or less started in Alabama. The telegram that started the Civil War was sent out of Montgomery to General Beauregard from Confederate Secretary of War Leroy Pope Walker and read: “Do not desire needlessly to bombard Fort Sumter. If Major Anderson will state the time at which, as indicated by him, he will evacuate, and agree that in the meantime he will not use his guns against us unless ours should be employed against Fort Sumter, you are thus authorized to avoid the effusion of blood. If this or its equivalent be refused, reduce the fort as your judgment decides to be most practicable. L. P. Walker, Sec. of War. C.S.A.”

Benefits Reference List



Southern Company Benefits Center.....Telephone: 1-888-435-7563

Log on to: <http://digital.alight.com/southernco>

- Annual Enrollment
- Benefits – Pension Plan, Life Insurance, Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance
- Other – Address changes, beneficiary changes, tax withholding forms, direct deposit changes and to report a death.

To protect your privacy and to verify you are a Southern Company retiree, you will be asked for (1) the last four digits of your Social Security number; (2) your date of birth; and (3) your password in order to speak to an Alight representative. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Time.

Alight user name (website only) _____

Alight password _____

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama.....Telephone: 1-800-232-3973

Log on to: www.bcbsal.org

Medical plan for those on the Pre-65 and Post-65 BCBS-AL plan – Verify coverage, claims questions and replacement ID card.

VIVA Health.....Telephone: 1-877-320-7504

Log on to: www.vivahealth.com/apco

Medical plan for those on the Pre-65 and Post-65 VIVA Health plan — Verify coverage, claims questions and replacement ID card.

CVS/Caremark.....Telephone: 1-800-843-5670

Log on to: www.caremark.com

Prescription drug plan for Pre-65 retirees on the medical plan — Verify coverage, mail-order prescriptions and replacement ID card.

Anthem (First Impressions Line).....Telephone: 1-833-371-0218

Log on to: www.southerncompanyapd.com

Medical plan for those on the Post-65 Southern Company Retiree Medicare Plan — Verify coverage, claims questions and replacement ID card.

IngenioRx.....Telephone: 1-833-933-1526

Prescription drug plan for those on the Post-65 Southern Company Retiree Medicare Plan — Verify coverage, mail-order prescriptions and replacement ID card.

Delta Dental.....Telephone: 1-866-823-4616

Log on to: www.deltadentalins.com/southernco

Dental plan — Verify coverage, claims questions and replacement ID card.

Expanded coverage for preventive vaccinations.....CVS/Caremark: 1-800-843-5670 Ingenio RX: 1-833-933-1526

Vaccinations may be received at a doctor's office with your medical ID card or at a participating pharmacy with your prescription ID card. Please call your doctor's office or pharmacy in advance to confirm vaccine availability, age limitations, if a prescription is required and if an appointment is needed. For more information, contact your medical insurance carrier or the pharmacy number on the back of your prescription card.

Merrill Lynch.....Telephone: 1-800-369-9890

Log on to: www.benefits.ml.com

Employee Savings Plan

EQ (Equiniti Trust Co.) – Shareowner Services.....Telephone: 1-800-554-7626

Log on to: www.shareowneronline.com

Southern Company stockholder information

Alabama Power website.....Log on to: AlabamaPower.com

For company news, check out Alabama Power's website. Pay your bill online, report an outage and learn energy-saving tips.

APCO Employees Credit Union.....Telephone: 1-800-249-2726 -or- 205-226-6800

Log on to: www.apcocu.org

Financial services, including direct deposit, available to retirees and employees.

RetireeSource.....Log on to: www.socoretireesource.com

(password SoCoRetired)

Southern Company Retiree Website

HOLIDAYS TO REMEMBER - NOVEMBER-DECEMBER



November 1

All Saints' Day, also called **All Hallows' Day**, **Hallowmas**, or **Feast of All Saints**, in the Christian church, is a day commemorating all the saints of the church, both known and unknown, who have attained heaven. It is celebrated on November 1 in the Western churches and on the first Sunday after Pentecost in the Eastern churches. In Roman Catholicism, the feast is usually a holy day of obligation.



November 11

Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislation that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress -- at the urging of the veterans' service organizations -- amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.



November 25

Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday in the United States, and Thanksgiving 2021 occurs on Thursday, November 25. In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Native Americans shared an autumn harvest feast that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies. For more than two centuries, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states.

In 1827, the noted magazine editor and prolific writer Sarah Josepha Hale—author, among countless other things, of the nursery rhyme “Mary Had a Little Lamb”—launched a campaign to establish Thanksgiving as a national holiday. For 36 years, she published numerous editorials and sent scores of letters to governors, senators, presidents and other politicians, earning her the nickname the “Mother of Thanksgiving.”

Abraham Lincoln finally heeded her request in 1863, at the height of the Civil War, in a proclamation entreating all Americans to ask God to “commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife” and to “heal the wounds of the nation.” He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November, and it was celebrated on that day every year until 1939, when Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the holiday up a week in an attempt to spur retail sales during the Great Depression. Roosevelt’s plan, known as Franksgiving, was met with passionate opposition, and in 1941 the president reluctantly signed a bill making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November.

It wasn’t until 1863, in the midst of the Civil War, that President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.

HOLIDAYS TO REMEMBER-CONTINUED



December 7

At 7:55 a.m. Hawaii time, a Japanese dive bomber bearing the red symbol of the Rising Sun of Japan on its wings appears out of the clouds above the island of Oahu. A swarm of 360 Japanese warplanes followed, descending on the U.S. naval base at **Pearl Harbor** in a ferocious assault. The surprise attack struck a critical blow against the U.S. Pacific fleet and drew the United States irrevocably into World War II.

With diplomatic negotiations with Japan breaking down, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and his advisers knew that an imminent Japanese attack was probable, but nothing had been done to increase security at the important naval base at Pearl Harbor. It was Sunday morning, and many military personnel had been given passes to attend religious services off base. At 7:02 a.m., two radar operators spotted large groups of aircraft in flight toward the island from the north, but, with a flight of B-17s expected from the United States at the time, they were told to sound no alarm. Thus, the Japanese air assault came as a devastating surprise to the naval base.

Much of the Pacific fleet was rendered useless: Five of eight battleships, three destroyers, and seven other ships were sunk or severely damaged, and more than 200 aircraft were destroyed. A total of 2,400 Americans were killed and 1,200 were wounded, many while valiantly attempting to repulse the attack. Japan's losses were some 30 planes, five midget submarines, and fewer than 100 men. Fortunately for the United States, all three Pacific fleet carriers were out at sea on training maneuvers. These giant aircraft carriers would have their revenge against Japan six months later at the Battle of Midway, reversing the tide against the previously invincible Japanese navy in a spectacular victory.



December 25

Christmas is celebrated on December 25 and is both a sacred religious holiday and a worldwide cultural and commercial phenomenon. For two millennia, people around the world have been observing it with traditions and practices that are both religious and secular in nature. Christians celebrate Christmas Day as the anniversary of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth. Popular customs include exchanging gifts, decorating Christmas trees, attending church, sharing meals with family and friends and, of course, waiting for Santa Claus to arrive. December 25—Christmas Day—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1870.

The legend of Santa Claus can be traced back to a monk named St. Nicholas who was born in Turkey around 280 A.D. St. Nicholas gave away all of his inherited wealth and traveled the countryside helping the poor and sick, becoming known as the protector of children and sailors.

St. Nicholas first entered American popular culture in the late 18th century in New York, when Dutch families gathered to honor the anniversary of the death of "Sint Nikolaas" (Dutch for Saint Nicholas), or "Sinter Klaas" for short. "Santa Claus" draws his name from this abbreviation.



Merry Christmas

HOLIDAYS TO REMEMBER - CONTINUED



December 31

Every year on December 31st, people around the world celebrate New Year's Eve, the last day of the year. It's a day to say "goodbye" to the old and "hello" to the new.

Also known as Old Year's Day or Saint Sylvester's Day, New Year's Eve is one of the most exciting holidays of the year. In some countries, such as the Philippines and Latvia, New Year's Eve is a public holiday. In Japan, it's a government holiday. In other countries, many businesses let their employees off of work early so that they can take part in the many festivities.

There are many reasons this day is one of the biggest nights of the year - not just because it's a time of big parties and celebrations all around the world. New Year's Eve can be a significant turning point in your life. It's a time to reflect on the past year and all of the lessons you have learned. It can be a time you decide to start making better choices. If you have had a rough year, New Year's Eve offers a feeling of relief. You can be thankful that the year is finally over

New Year's is also a time to forgive past mistakes and form new habits. Many people make New Year's resolutions, although, only 8% of people actually accomplish them. Instead of making resolutions that you're not going to keep anyway, it's better to set three or four goals. Breaking down goals into actionable steps, and reviewing your progress daily helps to keep them. It's also a good idea to find a friend or mentor that can hold you accountable.



REMINDER FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7



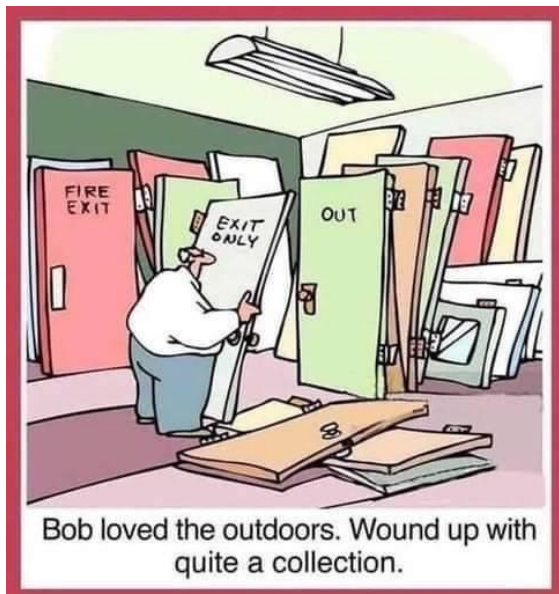
Laughter – the Best Medicine



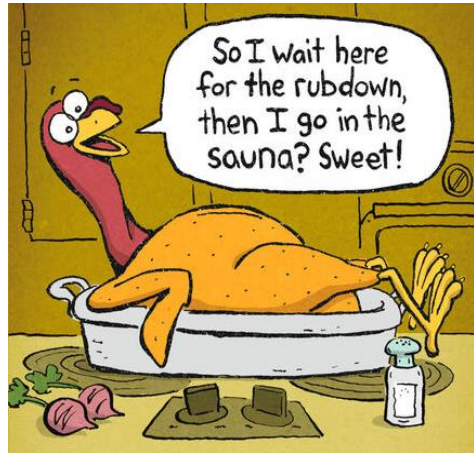
I've come to the conclusion that the bigger the cheerio the better it tastes



GRILLED CHICKEN



**Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from
your SCS/SNC Retiree Officers and Board Members**



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**Notes from our Officers, Committee
Chairs and Board Members**

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!

If you know of someone that is sick and doesn't object to their information being shared, please send an email to me at the following address so that we can send them a card and include them in our prayers.

socosncretirees@gmail.com.

Additionally, we love to hear good news!

Patsy Evans,
Member Care



We would LOVE to hear from any of our retirees wishing to share with us how they are spending their time now that they have retired (vacations, volunteer work, family time, etc.), or any other items that they would like to share.

Please send your input to us at the following e-mail address. This newsletter is **YOUR** newsletter and we truly appreciate all contributions.

Rick and Charlotte Graham
dricharlo@gmail.com

2021 Leadership

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