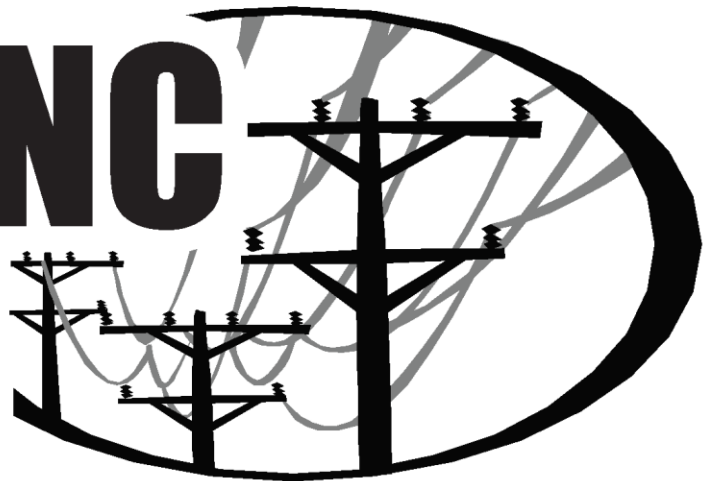


# SCS/SNC OUTSIDE



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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:

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and that you are enjoying your summer.

As you know, we were FINALLY able to have our annual luncheon at The Club on June 21, 2022. Due to Covid restrictions this meeting has been postponed the past two years. It was great to fellowship once again over a delicious meal. The turnout was great and we appreciate your attendance. We hope you enjoyed the meeting and the time together.

As most of you know, the annual luncheon is normally held in May. However, due to limited available dates at The Club coupled with conflicting schedules with the Southern Company Stockholders annual meeting our ability to get a Southern Company speaker was impacted. To resolve this issue we moved the luncheon to June. For 2023 we plan to move the annual luncheon back to May. By doing this we should be able to better schedule a Southern Company CEO as a speaker. We look forward to another great annual luncheon in May 2023.

Although we just held our luncheon meeting, we still will be having our July meeting on Monday, July 11.

This meeting will be held the Alabama Power Company Auditorium (1<sup>st</sup> floor), downtown Birmingham. Our Lifestyle speaker will be Amy Capps with Service Dogs of Alabama. This is a non-profit group that trains and provides service dogs. (SDA is a past recipient of our Charitable Contributions award.) The Keynote speaker will be Paula Marino, Executive Vice President, Southern Company's Technical and Project Solutions (T&PS). Paula will share with us what she can about the Company and her group. Both speakers will have a lot of information and will entertain any questions you may have. I hope everyone will be able to attend. **Also remember, you are welcome and encouraged to bring your spouse or guest with you.**

It continues to be an honor to serve as your President for 2022 and I will continue to work to do all I can to make it an enjoyable and exciting year for all retirees. It is also an honor to serve with the dedicated and great 2022 Leadership Team.

I also continue to ask all retirees to provide input and feedback throughout the year. We want to ensure that we have a retiree group where everyone knows they are a vital part. Complete success only occurs when everyone participates and does their part to help achieve excellence.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our meeting on July 11 (Alabama Power Auditorium).

**Dave Lisenby**

**Want to keep up with what's happening? Got a computer? Visit the SCS Retiree Website**

<http://www.scsretirees.com>

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*Celebrate*

**JULY – AUGUST SCS/SNC MEMBERS' BIRTHDAY LIST**

**July Birthdays:**

1 Janak Doshi  
2 Claude Whittle  
3 Albert Burford  
3 Kapil Desai  
5 Vicki Austin  
5 Lorain Cantrell  
5 James Dailey  
5 Donna Mueller  
6 Leanne Carter  
6 Yogendra Jani  
6 Kathleen Rickertsen  
7 Scott Clayton  
8 Robin Dyle  
9 Lee Haubein  
9 Richard Hovey  
9 Timothy Pinkston  
9 Rhonda Powell  
9 Marvin D. Salter  
10 Kathleen Lontine  
10 Terry Marcus  
11 Dennis Madison  
13 Doris Hardy  
13 Gerri Monosky  
13 Larry Posey  
14 Paul E. Baker  
14 Nancy Folk  
14 Ginny Green  
14 Jeff Hodgson  
14 John Lontine  
14 Sandra McCoy  
14 Sherry Runyans  
14 George Russell, Jr.  
15 Charles Terry Barr  
15 Peggy Brashier  
17 Jimmy Dale Merritt  
18 William Sykes  
20 Paula Hairston

**July Birthdays (Cont'd):**

20 Francis Jessup  
20 Daniel Wise  
21 Dennis Runyans  
21 Dennis Teat  
22 Mike McKelvy  
23 Loretta Adkins  
23 Judy Long  
23 Gary Ohmstede  
23 Theresa Reed  
23 Nick Santoro  
24 Sandra Morgan  
24 Kenneth Purinton  
25 Gerald Aultman  
26 Frank Brizendine  
26 Mike Green  
27 Randy Flowers  
28 Kerry Adams  
28 Teri Pickle  
29 John Aufdenkampe  
29 Ricky Cox  
29 Roy Lyon  
30 Maja Clayton  
30 Pam Ely  
30 John Garlington  
30 Mary Koski  
31 Annette Dean  
31 Brenda Kendrick  
31 Susan Lefoy

**August Birthdays:**

1 Ruth Shepherd  
2 Hubert Pair  
2 Sherry Santoro  
2 Russell Kent Vaughan  
3 Randall Kyle  
4 Willard Payne  
4 Jerry Wilson

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**August Birthdays (Cont'd):**

5 James W. Dailey  
5 Martha Pilleteri  
6 Robert Beason  
6 Judy Martin  
6 Larry Myers  
7 Katherine Hester  
8 Joyce Amick  
8 Shawn White  
9 Norman Stringfellow  
10 Jim Gordy  
10 Jean Horton  
10 Jessica McCullough  
11 Robyn Little  
11 Lee Taylor  
12 Deborah Javorka  
13 Alice Lawrence  
13 Pannalal Vimalchand  
14 Shelia Mau  
15 King Knight, Jr.  
16 Marian Brazzell  
16 Margaret Carter  
16 Mary Love Dearman  
17 John Naramore  
18 David Burford  
18 Margaret Hines  
19 Nancy Moore  
19 Sherry Morrow  
19 Debbie Pike  
20 Peggy Case  
20 Don Welliver  
21 Janet Nebrig  
22 Gina Kitchens  
23 Jon Hornbuckle  
23 Roxanne Wilke  
24 Roy Daniel Hiller  
24 Lana Thompson  
25 Lee Rayburn  
26 Carolyn Beavers  
26 Sharon Horn  
26 Rebecca McKinney  
26 Lamar Sumerlin  
27 Paul Beavers



**August Birthdays (Cont'd):**

27 Jay Dorrance  
27 James Jarrell  
28 Sherrell Brazzell  
28 Phyllis Ross  
29 Les Bailey  
29 Lisa Golden  
29 Charles David Pugh  
29 Ty Robin, Jr.  
30 Mary Romano  
31 Fran Goforth  
31 Cindi Wilson



**Obituaries**

**Joyce Ehrensperger**, age 87 of Trussville, Alabama, passed away on May 10, 2022. Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, William and Christine Payne; brother, Roy Payne; and grandson, Steven Ehrensperger. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Fred Ehrensperger (SCS), and their children, David (Cheryl) Ehrensperger and Karen (Robbie) Benton; grandchildren, Kristi Ehrensperger (David) Gellings, Ryan Benton, and Kevin (Elyse) Benton; great granddaughters, Madelyn, Ella, and Olivia Benton; sister, Jeri (Carl) Moore; sister-in-law, Ann Payne; numerous nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to either the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at UAB or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

**William "Bill" John Farrar, (Alabama Power Company and Southern Nuclear)**, age 92, of Vestavia Hills, passed away on June 21, 2022. He was preceded in death by his parents Katherine Stewart Farrar and Franklin Farrar. Bill is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Farrar Ricketts (Thomas), son, Jonathan Stewart Farrar (Jennifer), grandchildren, Connor Wells (Kaitlyn), Reid Wells (Lily), Marissa Wells, and Garrett Farrar. In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to Children's Aid Society, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Sav-A-Life-Vestavia, and Lifeline Children's Services.



### **Obituaries (Cont'd)**

**Monroe Jarman Landrum Jr., (SCS)**, age 64, passed away on June 17, 2022. He was preceded in death by his parents, Monroe Sr. and Mary, Monroe is survived by his wife, Joan, his two daughters, Elizabeth (Justin) Tillman and Rebecca (Matt) Henderson, brother, Michael, and many cousins. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Hunter Street Baptist Church to be sent to Forward in Faith Ranch.

**Eric Steven Likos (Southern Company)**, age 65, of Hoover passed away on June 16, 2022. He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Matthew William Likos. He is survived by his son, Nicholas Steven Likos (Pamela), sister Linda Lyles (Ken), brother Mark Likos (Sharon), nieces, Kelly Likos-Davis and Christie Norris, and nephew Paul Brubaker.

**Edward Moreland, (Southern Company)**, passed away in June 2022. He is survived by his wife Margaret Moreland, sister Jean Guthrie, children Richard Moreland (Heather), Susan Bria (Bruce), Kristen Fuller (Richard), grandchildren Steven (Victoria), David (Kalyn), Taylor (Caroline), and Madeleine Bria, Isobel and Zoe Moreland, Grayson, Bennett and Nora Fuller, and great grandsons Connor and Harper Bria.



### **Obituaries (Cont'd)**

**Mary Sue Maples Thornburgh**, age 82, passed away on May 25, 2022. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, John and Susie Maples. She is survived by her husband, Don Thornburg (SCS), two sons, John Winston (Joanie Connell) and James Donald Thornburgh Jr. (Chu Kim), three granddaughters, Elizabeth Thorell and Riley and Kaylee Thornburgh of California. The family requests that memorial contributions in Mary Sue's name be directed to the scholarship program at Birmingham-Southern College located at 900 Arkadelphia Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35254 or by visiting their website at <https://www.bsc.edu>.

**Sylvester S. Varagona, (SCS)**, age 90, of Homewood, passed away on May 11, 2022. He was preceded in death by his parents Michaelangelo and Theresa Acquisto Varagona and his sisters Mary Grace Varagona and Frances Mobarak. Sid is survived by his wife Mary Frances Varagona; children Michael (Janet) Varagona, Julie (Greg) Karstens, Donna (John) Lossie, and Rena Varagona; grandchildren Matt (Mary Grace) Varagona, Scott Varagona, Kyler (Gianmarco Fifi) Karstens, Kim (Chris) Washington, and Brennan Karstens; great-grandchildren Michael Varagona, Angelina Varagona, Nadia Washington, and another great grandchild on the way; and sister Martha Musso. Memorial donations may be made to your favorite charity.

**Raymond Lee Vice, (SCS)**, age 70, passed away on May 14, 2022. Raymond was preceded in death by his parents Dorothy Lee and W.M. Raymond Vice. He is survived by his wife, Janet Ducksworth Vice, and his daughter, Jennifer Vice Fricker (Colin John Fricker).

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**YOU REALLY MISSED IT.....**

.....if you weren't at our June Luncheon Meeting at The Club.

We shared a delicious meal and received some good information from our guest speaker Brandon Glover. Brandon, Public Policy Manager of Federal and Corporate Affairs at Alabama Power, presented an overview of the current status of activities at Southern Company and Alabama Power.



**Brandon Glover**



**Ken McElroy, Brandon Glover, Dave Lisenby**



**Packed House!!**

**IMPORTANT**  
**ANNOUNCEMENT**



**JULY RETIREE MEETING**

**Date:** July 11, 2022

**Location:** Alabama Power Building Auditorium  
600 18<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Birmingham, Alabama  
See Parking Lot Access Instructions  
on Page 7)

**Time:** 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

**Lifestyle Speaker:** Amy Capps,  
Service Dogs of Alabama

**Keynote Speaker:** Paula Marino  
Executive Vice President  
Southern Company's  
Technical and Project  
Solutions (T&PS)

**(Bios for Amy Capps and Paula Marino  
on Page 6)**



**SPEAKERS – JULY 11, 2022 RETIREE MEETING**

**Lifestyle:**



Our Retiree Lifestyle speaker will be Amy Capps with Service Dogs of Alabama. Service Dogs of Alabama (SDA) is dedicated to providing medical and psychiatric assistant dogs to children, adults and veterans with disabilities. SDA places dogs for diabetic and seizure alert, autism, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder and stability and wheelchair assistance.

SDA trains facility dogs for school interventions involving counseling and learning disabilities. SDA also trains dogs who can assist children when they are testifying in court.

**Keynote:**



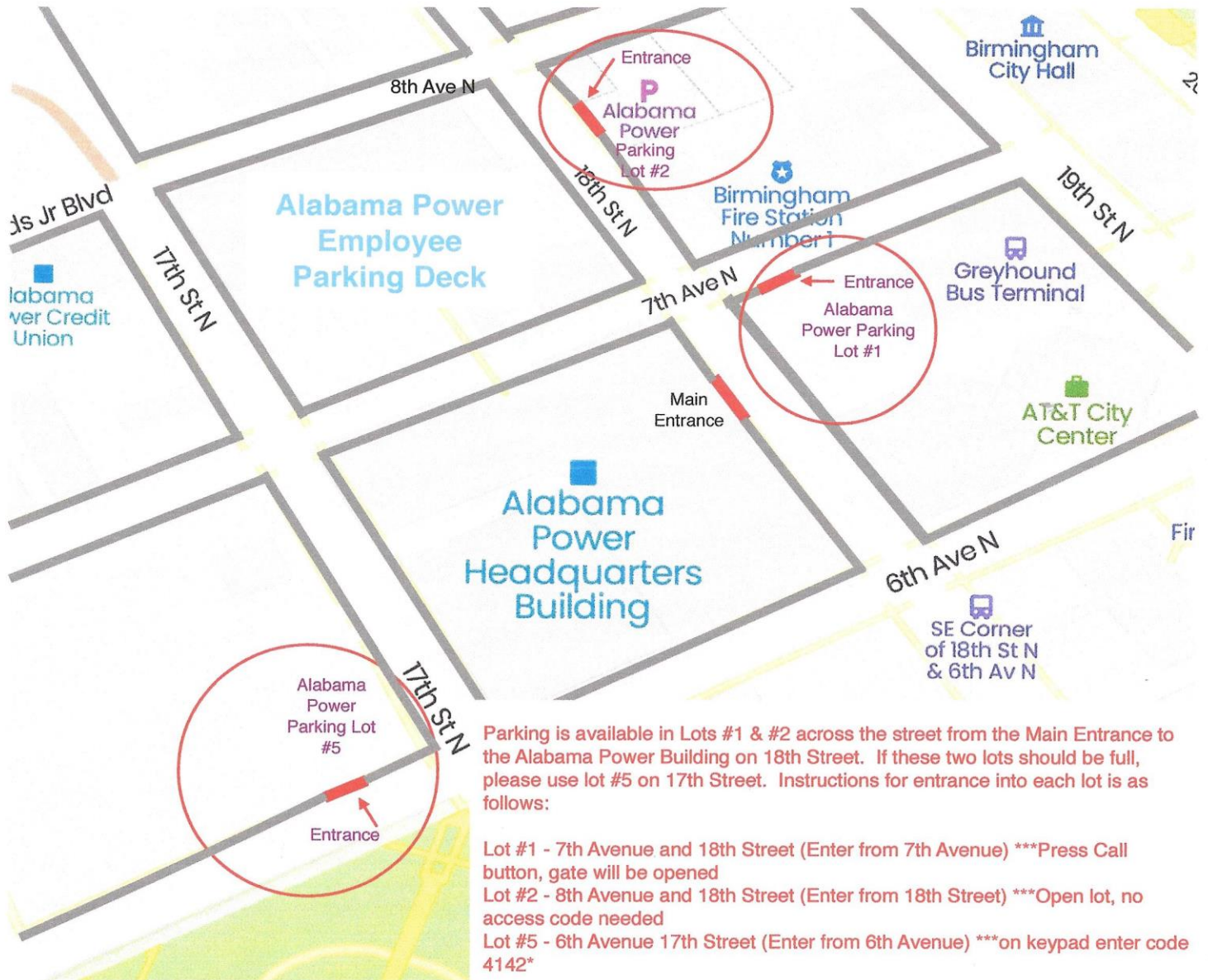
As executive vice president of Southern Company's Technical and Project Solutions (T&PS), Paula Marino leads a workforce of approximately 1,700 individuals across the areas of new generation and environmental strategy development, major project design and construction execution, technology due diligence, power delivery engineering and O&M support.

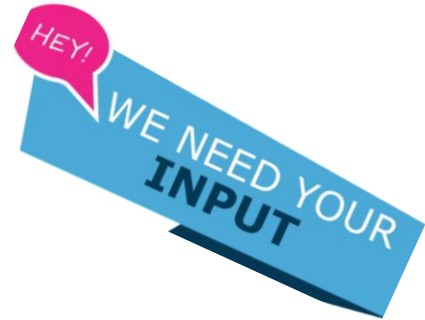
Marino began her Southern Company career in 1993 and progressed through various roles in distribution, transmission, fossil-hydro generation and nuclear generation. She served as the assistant to the president of Southern Company Generation and managed multiple departments within Engineering and Construction Services (E&CS), including environmental and retrofit projects supporting Alabama Power. Marino also served as vice president of engineering at Southern Nuclear.

Marino earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in electrical engineering from Auburn University and is a licensed professional engineer in the states of Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Maryland, Mississippi, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and Washington.

Marino cultivates advancements in engineering through several entities, serving on Auburn University's alumni engineering council and electrical engineering industrial advisory board as well as the University of Alabama at Birmingham's (UAB) civil, construction and environmental engineering advisory board; and participating as a founding member of Auburn's 100 Women Strong. Marino served as a member of the Center for Energy Workforce Development board of directors. Her contributions have been recognized throughout the industry. In addition to being named "Outstanding Alumna from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering" in the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering at Auburn University, Marino is also the recipient of the Engineering Council of Birmingham (ECOB) 2012 Engineer of the Year and the 2015 Engineering Leadership Award. In 2017, Marino was inducted into the State of Alabama Engineering Hall of Fame and named a Woman of Distinction by the Girl Scouts of North-Central Alabama. Aside from her passion for the engineering industry, Marino enjoys spending time with her family and playing an active role in her church and community.

## PARKING FOR ALABAMA POWER BUILDING MEETING





## **Call for Nominations!!!**

Each year our organization donates to three charities selected from the nominations we receive from our retirees. It's that time of year again. If you would like to submit a nomination, please complete the form on the following page (Page 9) and submit via e-mail to:

[dricharlo@gmail.com](mailto:dricharlo@gmail.com)

or by USPS to:

Charlotte Graham  
2521 Magnolia Place  
Birmingham, AL 35242

If you prefer you can go to our Retiree Website at <http://www.scsretirees.com> and click on "Operations" and then click on "Nominations for Charitable Contribution Form".

**Please submit no later than [October 1](#).**

Thank you.

FYI, last year's recipients were: Bravejoy Ministries;  
Seed, Time & Harvest Birmingham Restoration Ministries; and,  
a Team Ministries





**ARTICLES OF INTEREST FROM RETIREES:**

(This article also appeared in our last newsletter – just a reminder about this great, entertaining evening)

**Submitted by: Cary Campbell**

"The Warblers Club" is having another of its big shows this summer along with "Three On A String" at The Samford University Wright Center on July 23, 2022. The Warblers Club is a non-profit men's choral group that has its roots in the original Warblers Club of Woodlawn High School in Birmingham, Alabama, which existed from 1929 until 1977. Most of the current, active performers were members of the Woodlawn High Warblers during their high school days.

The current, active performing group numbers approximately fifty men, including former SCS engineer and our web-page editor Cary Campbell, who perform for numerous civic, religious, charitable, and commercial functions. In the upcoming July 23, 2022 performance, the Warblers will be performing several of its traditional, spiritual, religious, black-light, and popular patriotic numbers intertwined with the entertaining songs and comedy of "Three On A String".

There's not much live entertainment like this around anymore so come and join the fun! If you want tickets, please contact Cary Campbell at [ccampbell@tritonweb.net](mailto:ccampbell@tritonweb.net), (205) 641-9137, or you can order tickets on-line at [Warblersclub.org](http://Warblersclub.org). The last show in 2019 had over 1600 in attendance so get your tickets soon! (see next page for flier)



# WARBLERS

2022

We Meet Again Tonight!

Samford University  
Wright Fine Arts Center  
Saturday, July 23, 2022  
6:00 p.m.



### Special Guests



Sam Banana  
and the  
Bunch



Tickets Available From  
Any Active Warbler

Or

Order Online at:

[www.warblersclub.org](http://www.warblersclub.org)



**DATES TO REMEMBER IN MAY**



**Happy  
4<sup>th</sup> of July**



Many of us celebrate the Fourth of July every year with fireworks, barbecues, concerts and parades. Growing up, you may have heard that we celebrate Independence Day on July 4 because that's the day the Founding Fathers signed the Declaration of Independence, but that's not technically true! Although the Declaration was adopted on July 4, 1776, it wasn't signed by most people until a month later.

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of declaring independence from Great Britain. The Declaration of Independence was officially adopted two days later, marked by the ringing of the Liberty Bell at Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

At the time, John Adams believed that July 2, not July 4, would be the date remembered by history. "The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America," Adams wrote in a letter to his wife on July 3 of that year. "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival."

Early July 4 traditions have not carried through to the present day. Some colonists celebrated the day by holding mock funerals for England's King George III, as a way of reinforcing America's victory over the British monarchy, according to History.com.

The Fourth of July was celebrated annually throughout the 18th and 19th centuries, and in 1870, Congress declared the day a federal holiday. But it wasn't until 1941 that the date became a paid federal holiday for federal employees.

Today, fireworks displays around the country echo Adams' call for "bonfires and illuminations from one end of this Continent to the other."



*Interesting (but mostly useless) Facts*

- 1) Hot water will turn into ice faster than cold water
- 2) The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows.
- 3) The sentence, "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English language.
- 4) Coca-Cola was originally green.
- 5) The most common name in the world is Mohammed.
- 6) When the moon is directly overhead, you will weigh slightly less.
- 7) Camels have three eyelids to protect themselves from the blowing desert sand.
- 8) There are only two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order: "abstemious" and "facetious."
- 9) The name of all the continents end with the same letter that they start with.
- 10) There are two credit cards for every person in the United States.
- 11) Typewriter is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard
- 12) Minus 40 degrees Celsius is exactly the same as minus 40 degrees Fahrenheit,
- 13) Chocolate can kill dogs, as it contains theobromine, which affects their heart and nervous system.
- 14) Women blink nearly twice as much as men.
- 15) It is impossible to lick your elbow.
- 16) The Guinness Book of Records holds the record for being the book most often stolen.
- 17) People say "Bless you" when you sneeze because when you sneeze, your heart stops for a millisecond.
- 18) It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- 19) The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep' is sick" is said to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.
- 20) "Rhythm" is the longest English word without a vowel.
- 21) If you sneeze too hard, you can fracture a rib. If you try to suppress a sneeze, you can rupture a blood vessel in your head or neck.
- 22) Each king in a deck of playing cards represents great king from history: Spades - King David; Clubs - Alexander the Great; Hearts - Charlemagne; and Diamonds - Julius Caesar.
- 23)  $111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321$
- 24) If a statue of a person in the park on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died as a result of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

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*Interesting (but mostly useless) Facts – Cont'd*

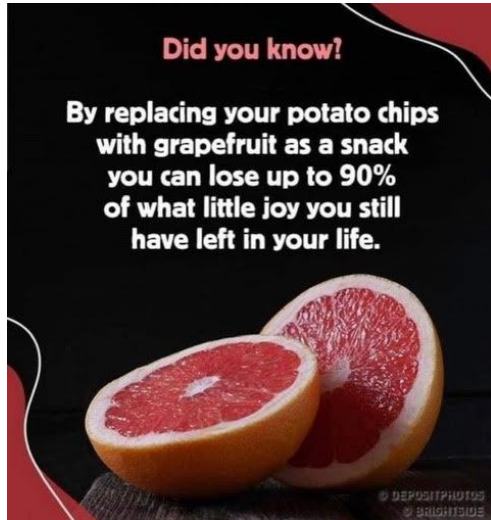
- 25) Bullet proof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers were all invented by women.
- 26) The only food that doesn't spoil is honey.
- 27) A snail can sleep for three years.
- 28) All polar bears are left-handed.
- 29) American Airlines saved \$40,000 in 1987 by eliminating one olive from each salad served in first-class.
- 30) Butterflies taste with their feet
- 31) Elephants are the only animals that can't jump.
- 32) In the last 4000 years, no new animals have been domesticated
- 33) Stewardesses is the longest word typed with only the left hand.
- 34) The electric chair was invented by a dentist.
- 35) The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps out to the body to squirt blood 30 feet.
- 36) Rats multiply so quickly that in 18 months, two rats could have over million descendants.
- 37) Wearing headphones for just an hour will increase the bacteria in your ear by 700 times
- 38) The cigarette lighter was invented before the match.
- 39) Most lipstick contains fish scales
- 40) AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST 99% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow (No. 15).



**AND some funny quotes....**

- “If you think you are too small to be effective, you have never been in the dark with a mosquito.” – Betty Reese
- “Taking naps sounds so childish. I prefer to call them horizontal life pauses.” – Unknown
- “I walk around like everything’s fine, but deep down, inside my shoe, my sock is sliding off.” – Unknown
- “If we’re not meant to have midnight snacks, why is there a light in the fridge?” – Unknown
- “The best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time.” – Abraham Lincoln
- “So it turns out that being an adult is really just Googling how to do stuff.” – Unknown

FUNNY BUSINESS



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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**

**2022 Leadership**

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