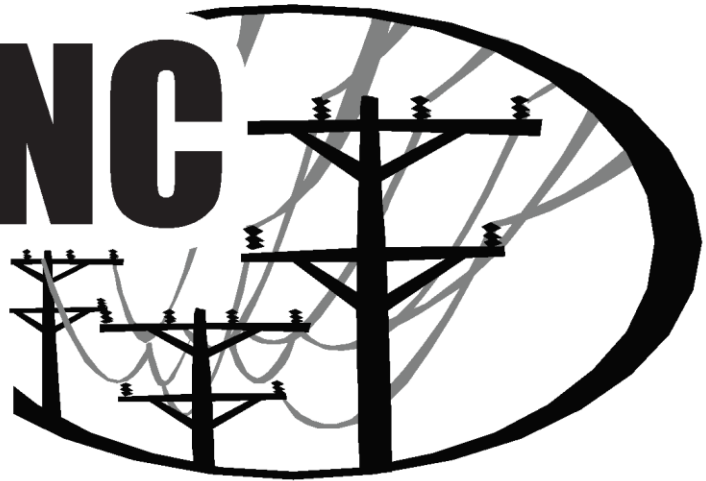


SCS/SNC OUTSIDE



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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 had a great start to your new year.

Spring has sprung and the weather outside is perfect. We hope everyone had a good Easter. Our members are likely traveling more and becoming involved in outdoor activities. Be safe, hydrate and get ready for the hot weather that is sure to come! As we all know, it's easy to get overheated if you participate in outside activities. Additionally, during the spring and summer months more people will be traveling on the highways. When you travel, please be cautious and aware of your surroundings.

We have had two retiree meetings thus far this year. The first was in January and the second in March. Both were at the APC headquarters, and both had informative speakers. In January we had an update on Vogtle 3 and 4. Vogtle 3 has since been tied to the grid and will soon be in commercial operation and Unit 4 is not far

behind. In the March meeting, attendees received an excellent update on Southern Power and their solar, wind and battery storage projects around the country.

All of you received registration information for our **May 9th** spring luncheon at **The Club**. Our keynote speaker is Paula Marino. I hope you plan to attend the luncheon, catch up with some folks, and have a good time.

On Tuesday, July 11th, we will have our meeting in the APC auditorium with Leigh Davis as our keynote speaker. Leigh is the senior VP of Marketing and Economic Development for Alabama Power.

There is nothing quite like socializing and reminiscing with friends and fellow retirees, so plan on attending all the meetings for which you are available. ***Why not phone a friend or bring a friend who might be interested to the next meeting? Membership is not required to attend.*** All you have invested is having a great conversation with an old acquaintance or a friend.

Hope to see you soon!

Ken McElroy

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

MAY – JUNE SCS/SNC MEMBERS’ BIRTHDAY LIST

May Birthdays:

2 Michael Eidson
4 William Burmeister
4 Jim Corbitt
5 Malcolm Byrd
6 Andrew Dearman, III
6 Jeffrey A. Morrow
8 Terry McAnnally
8 Rhonda McGill
9 John Adkins
9 Dale Wyatt
10 Wandra Wyatt
11 George Lacey
12 Donna Folker
12 Faye Patterson
13 Rick Graham
13 Mary Sue Ludwig
13 Jeffrey Mulvehill
14 Ricky Allen Jr.
14 Lajuana Logan
15 Douglas Farris
15 John Morrow
16 Dianne McCoy
16 Cindy Patton
18 Sohag Doshi
19 Brian Cates
19 Linda Griggs
19 Alan Whaley
21 George Hairston III
21 Debbie Rice
21 Roy Shanlever
23 Gene Byars
27 Stephen B. Smith
29 Joe Katz, Jr.
29 Walter James Riley
30 Jim Black
30 Marcia Edmundson
31 Robin Posey

June Birthdays:

1 Janice Luster
2 Jeanne Mahan
2 Kamora Savage
3 Theda Griffith
3 Joyce Hickman
3 Brenda Marlar
3 Steve Yang
6 Cary Campbell
6 Linda Shepard
7 Alvin (Joe) Connor
7 Peggy Howard
8 John Brandt
9 David Gambrell
10 Michael Nelson
10 Preston Willis
11 Jerry Smith
12 Candace Rayfield
13 Malek Barroody
13 Miriam Hollingsworth
14 Anna Garlington
14 Bill Marlar
14 John Thies
14 Bob Winter
15 Miriam Durden
15 Kelly Riley
16 Mike Burns
16 Beverly Robinson
17 Adel Alapour
17 Jeff Hester
19 Joe Mau
20 Keith Calhoun
20 Diane Cocherell
20 Mark Scott
21 John Heatherly
21 Charley Long
21 Lakshmi Reddy
21 Dan Summers
21 Ann Whitehurst



June Birthdays (Cont'd):

- 22 Pam Cobb
- 23 Randall Keith Fowler
- 25 Richard Patton
- 25 Julie Polke
- 26 Jeri Corbitt
- 26 Ruth Grissom
- 26 Don Mooney
- 28 Ron G. Cocherell
- 29 Mary Bergeron
- 29 Judy Coggin
- 29 Janet Thompson
- 30 Susan Burmeister
- 30 Gayle Busby
- 30 Marty Turnage



OBITUARIES (Cont'd)

Samuel (Sam) Edward Bowman, (Southern Company Services), age 91, passed away on April 25. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Spears, father, W.H. Bowman, step-mother Capitola Bowman, sister, Billie Jean Eberlan, wife, Pat Bowman and many other loved ones. Sam is survived by his children, Pam Hill, Eddie Bowman (Sherry), Diana Bowman; three grandchildren, Marijke, Stephen and Madesta Parry (Mike), brother, Thomas Compe (Diane), three great-grandchildren, Devin, Jazlynn and Kayley and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Oliver B. (Buddy) Coggin, (Southern Company Services), passed away on March 21, 2023.

Randall Bruce Vines, (Southern Company Services), age 76, passed away February 23, 2023. He was preceded in death by his parents, Melvin, and Audrey (Evans) Vines. Randy is survived by his wife, Judy Chamblee Vines, his daughter and son-in-law, Ashley & Justin Merritt, his sister and brother-in-law, Rebecca & Tom Booth, his uncle, Glenn Evans (Cathy), and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, church family and friends. Memorials in Randall's memory may be made to Founders Place at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 3736 Montrose Rd, Mtn Brook, AL 35213 (payable to the Church with Founders Place on the notation line); Bethel Baptist Church, 635 9th Way, Pleasant Grove, AL 35127; or The Parkinson's Foundation, PO Box 6003, Albert Lea, MN 56007-9902.



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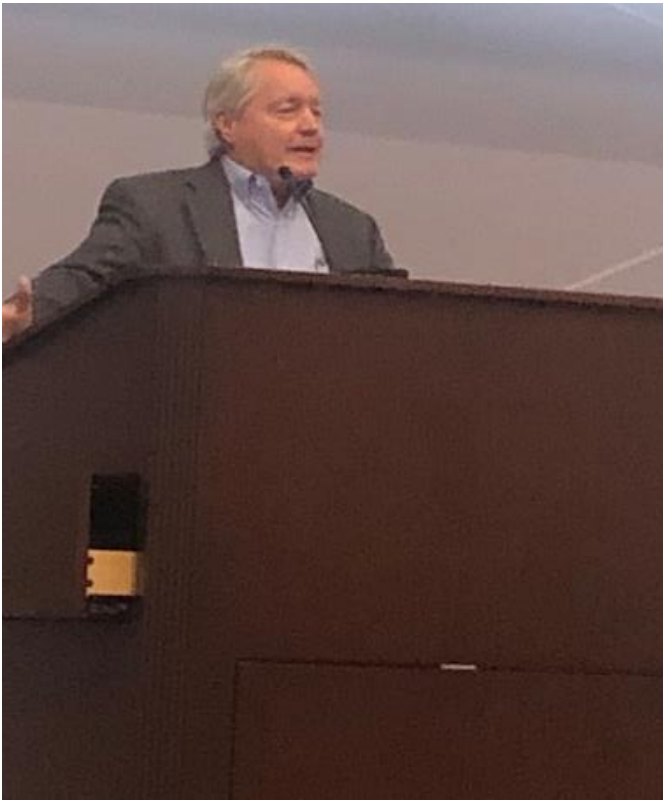
Carolyn Sue Boggs, (Southern Company Services), age 76, passed away on March 19, 2023. She was preceded in death by her father Robert William and mother Mary Katherine (Brock) Boggs. Carolyn is survived by one sister, Patricia Van Petten; nephew, Scott (Tiffany) Parker; grand-nieces Abigail and Addison Parker; her dear friend of 40 years, Deanna McCombs; and her current doggy, Bella. The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Birmingham or Lucedale Humane Societies.

If you weren't at our March Meeting.....

.....you really missed three good speakers!!!

Bill Norton, a Southern Company Retiree and author of the book "*Sojourn on the Veld*," was our Lifestyle speaker and shared his experiences as a missionary for two years in South Africa.

Jessica Metcalf and Brent Barton from Southern Power were our keynote speakers. They shared with us what Southern Power is doing regarding Wind Power, Solar and Battery Storage. It was very informative, and they answered many of the retirees' questions.



Bill Norton. Southern Company Retiree and author of the book "Sojourn on the Veld"



**Brent Barton and Jessica Metcalf
Southern Power**

MAY RETIREE LUNCHEON

Date: May 9, 2023
Location: The Club
1 Robert S. Smith Drive
Homewood, AL 35209
Time: 11:45 – 2:00 pm
Keynote Speaker: Paula Marino
Senior Vice President
Southern Company's Operations and Business Shared Services



Paula Marino

Our Keynote speaker will be Paula Marino, senior vice president of Southern Company's Operations and Business Shared Services. Paula plays a vital role in enabling the Southern Company system to build the energy network of the future. Her strategic leadership guides several shared services organizations within Southern Company Operations, including Southern Linc and Southern Telecom, Aerial Services, SCS Fleet & Facilities, Strategic Operations Technology Initiatives, Operations Safety, Continuous Improvement, Technical Training, Supplemental Staffing Support, and Operations Communications, driving collaboration and coordination throughout the system.

Paula's prior experience includes leading Southern Company's Technical and Project Solutions organization, where she managed 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.

Paula began her career at Southern Company in 1993 and has held 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, including environmental and retrofit projects supporting Alabama Power. Paula also served as vice president of Engineering at Southern Nuclear.

Schedule for the Remaining 2023 SCS/SNC Retiree Meetings with Locations

Tuesday – July 11, APC Auditorium
Tuesday – September 12, APC Auditorium (but continuing to locate a fun venue)
Tuesday – November 14, Holiday Luncheon at Vestavia Country Club

RETIREE SPOTLIGHTS



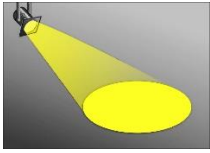
Submitted by: Shannon Sampson

Southeast Division APSO and Energizer volunteers worked together to provide volunteer services at the 10th annual Alabama Kidney Foundation kidney walk in Dothan, Al. Volunteers assisted with setup and tear down, registering walkers, serving food and beverages, and distributing t-shirts.



Pictured front: Tracey Enfinger (APSO)
Back row left to right: Sam Brannon (APSO), Shannon Sampson (Energizer President), Clint Enfinger (APSO), and Jessica Dean (APSO).

RETIREE SPOTLIGHTS (Cont'd)



Submitted by: Nick Santoro

Merritt Flynn, granddaughter of Nick and Sherry Santoro, is on the President's List for Academic Performance (all A's), Ambassador for new students who are visiting campus, and Young Life Leader for Tuscaloosa County High School students at the University of Alabama.

Way to go Merritt!!



Submitted by: Shannon Sampson

Shannon Sampson, Southern Nuclear retiree and Southeast Division Energizer President, was recently presented with a Gemmy Award from the Headland Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Sampson was awarded as the 2022 Volunteer of the Year.



HAPPENINGS AROUND BIRMINGHAM



Grab your party hats (AND your grandkids!!) and join in Vulcan's 119th birthday bash on **Sunday, June 4 from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

Enjoy a wonderful Sunday afternoon with free Blue Bell Ice Cream. 'The Big Guy' himself will be there, along with special guest appearances from Spider-Man, Tiana, and Vesta. There will be more than fifteen vendors with activities for kids of all ages to enjoy, including prize wheels, basketball, soccer games, cornhole, face painting, and much more!

Aww Shucks!, Sweet Spun, The Recipe, Who Dat Sno Cone, and other food trucks will be onsite with food for purchase. Beer and wine will also be available for purchase.

The first 500 kids that enter will receive a special Vulcan favor swag bag including Bud's Best Cookies and more.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 5-12 (free for children under 4). It includes all activities and access to Vulcan Museum, Vulcan's observation tower, and the new Linn-Henley Gallery exhibit titled *Birmingham's Early Middle Eastern Community: Celebrating Life and Liturgy since 1910*.

Vulcan's 119th Birthday Bash is sponsored by Birmingham Coca-Cola Bottling, Bradley, and Piggly Wiggly. Vulcan Park & Museum's corporate partners are Protective, Regions Bank, and Vulcan Materials Company.



VULCAN'S BIRTHDAY BASH!!



AND FOR ALL YOU FOOTBALL FANS.....

BIRMINGHAM



STALLIONS

As you know the United States Football League (USFL) is back for its second season -- four decades after its original incarnation from 1984 to 1986 -- and there will be a few changes. All the league's regular season games were held in Birmingham last year, but three new venues have been added to the mix for 2023: Memphis, Canton, and Detroit. Birmingham, home to the defending champion Stallions, will also be a host.

The 10-week regular season kicked off on April 15. The top two teams in each division will qualify for the playoffs, with semifinals on June 24-25. The USFL Championship Game will be played in Canton on July 1.

Below is the remaining schedule for 2023. Let's get out there and support our Birmingham Stallions!!

Saturday, May 6

Houston at Philadelphia (Detroit), 1 p.m. (FOX)
Memphis at Michigan (Detroit), 7:30 p.m. (NBC)

Sunday, May 7

New Orleans at New Jersey (Canton), 3 p.m. (NBC)
Birmingham at Pittsburgh (Canton), 6:30 p.m. (FS1)

Saturday, May 13

Pittsburgh at Michigan (Detroit), 12:30 p.m. (USA)
Houston at Birmingham (Birmingham), 4 p.m. (FOX)

Sunday, May 14

New Jersey at Philadelphia (Detroit), 12 p.m. (NBC)
Memphis at New Orleans (Birmingham), 3 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, May 20

Pittsburgh at Memphis (Memphis), 12:30 p.m. (USA)
Birmingham at Michigan (Detroit), 4 p.m. (FOX)

Sunday, May 21

New Orleans at Philadelphia (Detroit), 12 p.m. (FS1)
New Jersey at Houston (Memphis), 4 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, May 27

Birmingham at New Orleans (Birmingham), 4 p.m. (FOX)
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (Canton), 9 p.m. (FS1)

Sunday, May 28

Houston at Memphis (Memphis), 2:30 p.m. (USA)
Michigan at New Jersey (Canton), 5:30 p.m. (FS1)

Saturday, June 3

Houston at Pittsburgh (Canton), 12 p.m. (USA)
Philadelphia at Birmingham (Birmingham), 3 p.m. (NBC)

Sunday, June 4

Memphis at New Jersey (Canton), 1 p.m. (FOX)
Michigan at New Orleans (Birmingham), 4 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, June 10

Michigan at Pittsburgh (Canton), 12 p.m. (FOX)
New Orleans at Memphis (Memphis), 3 p.m. (NBC)

Sunday, June 11

Birmingham at Houston (Memphis), 2 p.m. (NBC)
Philadelphia at New Jersey (Canton), 7 p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, June 17

Pittsburgh at New Jersey (Canton), 1 p.m. (USA)
Birmingham at Memphis (Memphis), 4 p.m. (FOX)

Sunday, June 18

New Orleans at Houston (Memphis), 4 p.m. (FS1)
Philadelphia at Michigan (Detroit), 7 p.m. (FOX)

Semi-Finals: June 24 – 25

Championship Game: July 1

HOLIDAYS TO REMEMBER IN MAY

The origin of Mother's Day goes back to the era of ancient Greek and Romans. But the roots of Mother's Day history can also be traced in the UK where a Mothering Sunday was celebrated much before the festival saw the light of the day in US. However, the celebration of the festival as it is seen today is a recent phenomenon and not even a hundred years old.



We can thank the hard work of the pioneering women of their times - Julia Ward Howe and Anna Jarvis - that the day came into existence. Today the festival of Mother's Day is celebrated across forty-six countries (though on different dates) and is a hugely popular affair. Millions of people across the globe take the day as an opportunity to honor their mothers, thank them for their efforts in giving them life, raising them and being their constant support and well wisher. Mother's Day 2023 will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 14.**



Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2023 will occur on **Monday, May 29.** Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings, and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.

HOLIDAYS TO REMEMBER IN JUNE



Since 1916, when President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing a national Flag Day on **June 14**, Americans have commemorated the adoption of the Stars and Stripes in many ways—displaying the flag in the front of their homes, parades, and other patriotic observances. Prior to 1916, many localities and a few states had been celebrating the day for years. Congressional legislation designating that date as the national Flag Day was signed into law by President Harry Truman in 1949; the legislation also called upon the president to issue a flag day proclamation every year.

Father's Day is celebrated worldwide to recognize the contribution that fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children. This day celebrates fatherhood and male parenting. Although it is celebrated on a variety of dates worldwide, Father's Day is observed in the United States on the third Sunday in June. This year it will be observed on **Sunday, June 18.**





Bet you didn't know - (and probably don't care).....

- It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is believed to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.
- If you sneeze too hard, you could fracture a rib.
- Wearing headphones for just an hour could increase the bacteria in your ear by 700 times.
- In the course of an average lifetime, while sleeping you might eat around seventy assorted insects and ten spiders, or more. (UGH!!!)
- Some lipsticks contain fish scales.
- Cat urine glows under a black-light.
- Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.
- Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
- The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing (when using the proper position of the hands on the keyboard; Hunting and pecking doesn't count!).
- A shark is the only known fish that can blink with both eyes.
- "Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".
- Almonds are a member of the peach family.
- Maine is the only state that has a one-syllable name.
- There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.
- Los Angeles' full name is "El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora la Reina de los Angeles de Porciuncula"
- A cat has thirty-two muscles in each ear.
- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.
- In many advertisements, the time displayed on a watch is 10:10.
- The characters Bert and Ernie on Sesame Street were named after Bert the cop and Ernie the taxi driver in Frank Capra's "It's a Wonderful Life."
- A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
- The giant squid has the largest eyes in the world.
- Most people fall asleep in seven minutes.
- "Stewardesses" is the longest word that is typed with only the left hand.

Laughter – the BEST Medicine!!!

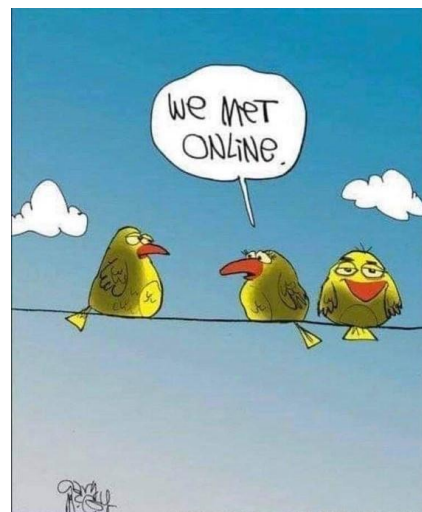


THINGS THAT TELL
THE TRUTH:
SMALL CHILDREN
DRUNK PEOPLE
YOGA PANTS

I'M GLAD I LEARNED
ABOUT PARALLELOGRAMS IN
HIGH SCHOOL MATH INSTEAD
OF HOW TO DO MY TAXES.
IT COMES IN SO HANDY DURING
PARALLELOGRAM SEASON.



I SCREAM
YOU SCREAM
THE POLICE COME
IT'S AWKWARD



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.bcbosal.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.southerncompanympd.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

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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

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