

Janet Tidwell Bio

Hello! I am your MAAC secretary and have been in this job for 1 ½ years. I am a former Motorola employee who retired after 26 years. I started out my career in the Mesa, Az plant in 1972 working in the TTL Final Test Area and have traveled back in production areas from the Final Test, Marking/Packaging area to the Wafer Fab Area in Mesa to the Mask Shop at Ed Bluestein Austin, TX in 1982. I was with the Mask Shop producing the layers of the circuits onto blank silicon masks until the Mask Shop was sold to Dupont Photomasks. At that time I began writing the Contract Releases for the various Engineers who were producing magnetic tapes of their designs for photomask production. When the Mask Shop disappeared, we were absorbed into Supply Management and eventually moved to the Parmer Facility where I retired in 2001 with a combined total of 26 years. I did get caught in a 4year layoff from 74 to 78 and a 4month downtime from September 81 till January 82 when I moved from Mesa, AZ. to Austin, TX.



After leaving Motorola I returned to school at Austin Community College and completed my studies to become a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) and worked for Seton Hospital and later with the Seton Family of Doctors till retiring in 2012. I am married to my wonderful husband Michael and living in the Austin area for 39years and loving it.

I enjoy the Motorola Austin Alumni Club and have seen many changes over the years. It is my hope to see it continue and maybe even grow a little before we see it fade away as the Motorola company has over the last few years. I look forward to seeing you all again in person as soon as the Pandemic is wiped out.