

**MOTOROLA/FREESCALE* LONE STAR RETIREES
CLUB**

LONE STAR NEWS

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Reminder -- The next Regular Club Meeting is **Tuesday, February 9, 2016**

Meeting will be at 10:00 A.M., at the Senior Activity Center on Shoalcrest Ave
(29th and Lamar)

Coffee and Lunch will be provided

The following meeting is Tuesday, May 10, 2016 – also at the SAC

Speaker: **Jane F. Tillman of the Travis County Audubon Society
President, Native Plant Society of Texas, Austin Chapter
Capital Area Master Naturalist**

Topic: **The Joys of Backyard Birding**

Discover the fun of armchair birding and get acquainted with common backyard birds
that may be found in central Texas year round as well as the seasonal visitors.

Remember **spouses of club members are always welcome** at any of our meetings.

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Minutes of the General Meeting, November 10, 2015

We are saddened to report that our president, Al Scholin, passed away recently, and therefore, the meeting was called to order by Mike Coley at 10:15 A.M. at the North Lamar Senior Center.

Programs: To accommodate the speaker's schedule Gary Daniels introduced our speaker, Robert Youens, of "Camera Wings" aerial photography, before the remainder of the business meeting. Robert gave an extensive and interesting talk on miniature, multi-rotor helicopters, aka "drones", and some of their useful applications such as precision mapping of topography, simulated views from buildings to be constructed, volumetric measuring of piles of material or quarry holes, etc. Typical flight times are 10-20 minutes, and he demonstrated a unit with GPS that will "return home" to its launch site, before losing battery power. Many units (over \$1K) have 4K High Def Video cameras, with real time display on the flight controller, via Wi-Fi.

He also discussed licensing and legal issues that were pending. (Note: during the holidays, the FAA required all units, regardless of size, to be registered, free through January, and \$5 thereafter.) Each drone will be assigned a unique VIN number which will be tied to the owner. Interested parties should consider joining a club to learn more.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the August 11th General Meeting and October 13th Board Meeting were published in the newsletter and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report: Obie Hasty reported that we had \$800.27 in expenses, received \$100 from members, and a deposit would be made to Freda's for Christmas Party.

Membership Report: Loy Buley reported that 2015 membership is currently 103. Thirty four were in attendance at this meeting. Dues (\$10) for 2016 should be paid as soon as possible.

Activities: Wayne Harned announced that the Christmas Lunch will be at Freda's Seafood, from 11am-2pm, on Tuesday, December 8, 2015. Menu request and payment is due by December 3, 2015. Unlike past years, the cost for vegetarian, chicken or seafood is \$25 for both members and non-members, and NY Strip Steak is \$35 for everyone.

Elections: The proposed slate of officers was elected by acclamation:

President	Jim Binneboese
Vice President #1	Mike Coley
Secretary	Jules Campbell
Treasurer	Obie Hasty

Information: Mike Coley discussed our health insurance changes and recommended that everyone on Medicare A & B complete the application for replacement insurance with Aon before the end of 2015. He also mentioned that USAA will offer health insurance to people without a military background. Some plans do not cover Part D, medication, but separate plans are available for that.

The Freescale's 3rd quarter results were reported 10/2/2015. The Net sales were about \$1.2B, cost was \$651M, R&D \$213M, General Admin. \$122M, and other expenses, giving an operating earnings of \$215M. The current markets served are: Automotive and other microcontrollers, Digital Networking, Analog/Sensors, RF, and other. The current employment worldwide is about

17,000 employees. Freescale is planning to merge with NXP (formerly Philips Semiconductor, Holland), later in 2015. NXP has an annual revenue of about \$5.65B, which is roughly equivalent to Freescale's.

The meeting was adjourned around 12:15 P.M., for lunch and bingo.

2016/ 2017 Dates to Remember

General Membership Meetings (10 A.M., the 2nd Tuesday of the 2nd month of the quarter)

May 10 August 9 November 8 February 14, 2017

Board Meetings (10 A.M., the 2nd Tuesday of 1st month of the quarter)

April 12 July 12 October 11 January 10, 2017

Annual Picnic for 2016: April 19, 2016 - Place TBD

Christmas Party: December 13, 2016 - Place TBD

Newsletter Article Deadlines: April 29 July 29 October 28

Submit articles to any Board member – see Newsletter for addresses

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting, January 12, 2016

(Note: all members are welcome to attend: 2nd Tuesday of Jan, Apr, July, Oct., at the Senior Center, 29th & Lamar)

President Jim Binneboese called the meeting to order at 10:10AM

In Attendance: Jim Binneboese, Mike Coley, Obie Hasty, Danna Redford, Wayne Harned, Loy Buley, and Jules Campbell

Secretaries Report: Minutes from the November General Meeting were emailed to the board and will be published in the February newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Obie Hasty reported our income as \$160, from membership and donations.

Membership Report: Loy Buley will send email reminders to those members that have yet to renew. We have about 66 Life Members who aren't required to pay dues. Jim Binneboese suggested we talk to NXP to introduce ourselves and see where we stand with them.

Programs Report: Mike will investigate various potential speakers for the February General Meeting, e.g. 1) a speaker from the Medical Society on issues for 55+; 2) a city council member; 3) a state legislator; 4) Travis Co Sheriff or Austin Police Dept.; 5) Travis Co. Audubon Society; 6) Lady Bird Wildflower Center; 7) UT professor on new Gel Healing; 8) Freescale Financial Results for 2015.

Jim Binneboese will give a brief report on changes at Motorola Chicago/Schaumburg.

Newsletter: Danna mentioned that the deadline for input is 1/29/2016.

Website: If we change the name of the club Pat Haner will have to update the website banner. The presentation on Drones (Nov 2015) was too large to put on the website.

Events Report: Wayne Harned will check on the Parmer Pavilion. (Later he found out that we can no longer use it). The Picnic will be Tuesday, April 19th at a location yet to be determined. If we don't have the Marguerita Machine, we can save \$270. We need 50 attendees for a free delivery from Rudy's BBQ. Otherwise we must pick up the food ourselves. It was also suggested to check Poke-E-Joe's (Parmer Lane) if we're at the Parmer Pavilion.

Old Business: Mike C. will talk to Mr. Gatti's Pizza about the price increase at the November General Meeting.

It was difficult to "mingle" before dinner at Frieda's at the Christmas Party, and not all expenses were met by the fees. We discussed whether to have only one door prize, drop the expensive steaks from the menu, and use the meeting room to mingle before dinner. It was also felt that the round tables (e.g., Maggiano's) are better for conversations than the long tables and booths at Freda's. We would like to know why more members didn't attend the Christmas Party.

The costs for events (meetings free, Picnic and Christmas Party) are not being met by dues and activity fees. The club is subsidizing activities at about \$1000-2000 per year, and we are beginning to exhaust our reserves. We need to consider whether to charge for lunch at the general meetings, and make the Picnic and Christmas Party self-funding. Otherwise we will run out of money in about 5-7 years. It would also help to recruit other new members from former employees we know.

New Business: Due to the fact that the Freescale name has become NXP, and no members retired from NXP, the board discussed whether we should change the name of the club to "Motorola Austin Retirees Club". We will ask Jim Remedi what the Phoenix club has considered. This topic will be discussed at the General Meeting.

General Information: The letter from Freescale about the Health Saving Account was confusing. It was suggested that everyone contact the Aon person who helped them obtain insurance, to learn how to make an auto-debit, to pay the insurance premiums.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Jules Campbell, Secretary, MFLSRC

In Memoriam

John Tysall

Jose Castillo

Martha Jo Mays

Claudia Wiemann

Motorola/Freescale Lone Star Retirees Club 2014 Officers and Board Members

Elected Officers:

President Jim Binneboese, 14306 Terisu Lane, Austin, 78728, jklbinn@gmail.com, 251-8622
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Legend Oaks (6001 W. William Cannon Dr., Ste 100)

**Return Requested
P.O. Box 10252
Austin, TX 78766**

**MOTOROLA/FREESCALE LONE STAR RETIREES CLUB
Application for membership**

NAME: _____ YEARS OF SERVICE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
(Please note if you do NOT have computer access or email)

SPOUSE'S NAME (If applicable): _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE CLUB? _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MFLSRC

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MEMBERSHIP: \$10.00 per year, due by February's meeting. NOTE: The dues are no longer pro-rated.
LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP: \$100

Don't forget that Spouses need to be members also. We need your other half as part of our club, so sign them up!

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