

October Speaker to Discuss Wills and Trusts 101

Our speaker for the October meeting will be **Dr. Robert Judd**, senior attorney at Judd & Associates. Dr. Judd has been helping Texans with their estates for 27 years. The **Essential Will Package**SM was created by Dr. Judd to ensure peace of mind for the moments in life that require difficult decisions. The **Essential Will Package**SM combines essential legal instruments for complete Will and Healthcare planning. Dr. Judd will also examine the pros and cons of trusts in estate planning.

Dr. Judd became an RCRA sponsor early this year when he purchased an ad in our April Newsletter. He also joined us at the April meeting where he provided handouts describing his services. He provided a highlight at the conclusion of that meeting by offering three door prizes to our members.

Some of our members have attended the consultation and **Essential Will Package**SM workshop offered by Judd and Associates. RCRA officers made the decision to invite Dr. Judd as the featured speaker at the upcoming meeting based upon the report that Dr. Judd's presentation was interesting, informative and useful.

President's Ponderings

The fall meeting is quickly approaching and I am looking forward to visiting with all of you again. There has been ongoing activity with your Association officers these past few months related to planning upcoming meetings and related matters.

A nominating committee was formed to identify candidates for the election that will be held at the meeting in April 2008. Fritz Weigl and Dave Jaksa agreed to serve on this committee. They did a fine job of talking to candidates and identifying a nominee for each of the three offices, as you will see elsewhere in this newsletter.

October 18, 2007 Meeting

9:00 Social Hour

10:00 Business Meeting

Richardson Civic Center

411 W. Arapaho Road

President's Ponderings *(continued)*

Website Changes -The website made available to us for several years by Dave and Judi Jaksa has been downsized due to business constraints and will soon be discontinued. If you have the facilities and desire to provide a replacement website for the Rockwell Collins Retirees Association, please contact one of the officers to work out the details.

RCRA Roster Information - Are you interested in obtaining a Compact Disk that includes the name and addresses for our more than 2200 members? If you request copies during September you can pick up the CD at our next meeting at the Richardson Civic Center. Also the cost will be only \$2.00 a copy. This medium allows more information (like email addresses) to be included without increasing the production cost. When we print hard copies more information means more pages; that leads to higher reproduction costs. Don't forget to order in advance and pay on pickup.

Member Contributions -Contributions received at the meetings continues to play a major role in offsetting the expenses of this organization. When the baskets are passed please be generous. Another way to help RCRA is to purchase an ad in this newsletter. Any officer can help you with the details.

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April 17, 2008 Meeting

9:00 Social Hour

10:00 Business Meeting

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Introduction to Our Election Slate

The RCRA Nominating Committee, consisting of Fritz Weigl and Dave Jaksa, has identified a candidate for each of the three offices. Each candidate was requested to provide biographical information for this newsletter. The following are excerpts from their submissions.

Thomas Schultz: *Candidate for President*

Thomas (Tomm) Schultz joined Rockwell Collins in Newport Beach, California in 1973 before transferring to Dallas in 1975. During his 33+ year career he held positions in Operations and Finance and was in Program Management from 1977 until he retired in Jan 2007. Tomm managed many programs including AFSATCOM, Milstar LRIP, Navy WSC-6 and MMRT. He has also managed several international programs including Peace Shield for Saudi Arabia and other programs in Europe and the Middle East.

Tomm is a past president of the Rockwell Collins Chapter of the National Management Association, now named Rockwell Collins Leadership Association, and served on its Board of Directors.

Tomm and his wife, Sue, are residents of Richardson. They have two grown children and two grandsons. Currently they are raising their first Guide Dog puppy for the Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind. Tomm continues to play golf and follow the Drum and Bugle Corps competitions across the country.

Grady Fairbairn: *Candidate for Vice Pres.*

Grady started with Collins Radio in 1967 in Richardson, Texas as a component buyer in Purchasing. Later he worked at various positions in Personnel, Marketing, Sub Contract Purchasing, Contract Management and Program Planning and Control in the Finance Department. Grady worked on large U. S. government and international programs with many program managers, engineering, manufacturing, and management personnel, as well as, many people at the subsidiaries in Canada, Germany, France, England and the Middle East. Grady retired from the U. S. Army Reserve in 1989 with 28 years of service, prior to retiring from Rockwell in
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Election Slate *(continued)*

December 1994. More recently Grady was employed by Electro Space Systems/Chrysler Technologies where Grady was a Program Manager of a secure communications system. He completed his third retirement from this company in 2002 and now enjoys traveling and working jobs with various military related volunteer organizations. Grady and his wife Mary currently live in the city of North Richland Hills, Texas.

Joanne Patrick: *Candidate for Treasurer*

Joanne (Anderson) Patrick worked as a Secretary/Administrative Assistant at Rockwell for 29 years, retiring in 2005. After a short two-year stint in the Contracts area, all of her employment has been in the Engineering Department. Her last assignment was as the Administrative Assistant to various Engineering Directors. Joanne is enjoying retirement – volunteering as a Stephens Minister and for the Visiting Nurse Association. She is also involved in book clubs, square dancing, and traveling in her RV. Joanne and her husband Mike, a software engineer at Rockwell Collins, currently reside in Allen, Texas.

Updated Rosters Available

Updated Rosters will be available at the October meeting for a cost of \$3.00.

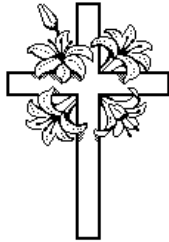
Or send an email to mrlintx@1scom.net to order the roster on a CD that you will pickup at the next meeting on October 18, 2007 for the reduced cost of only \$2.00.

To obtain a roster by mail, send your request including your address along with a check for \$4.00 to:

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Welcome New Members

LeEarl Bryant recently joined this association; welcome her to RCRA.

When we asked the company for a list of recent retirees, we were told that they would no longer provide that information because of privacy concerns. However, we were told that the eBenefits website, identified in the next column, would post a notice to retirees about this Rockwell Collins Retiree Association and who to contact. We must rely on new retirees to make contact with us.

So if you encounter new retirees, tell them about RCRA and invite them to the meetings.

Dell to offer Rockwell Collins Discount

Details are now being finalized on an agreement that will allow Rockwell Collins employees (and retirees) to receive a discount when purchasing a Dell computer. We will forward the details when they are available.

Important Phone Number

As a retiree you might wonder who to contact when you have a benefits related question. We recently confirmed you should place a call to 1(800)236-3071, and ask for a "Retirement Specialist." This will put you in contact with Shared Services employees located in Seal Beach, California. This is the location that administers pension and insurance matters for all retirees who previously worked for Collins Radio Company, Rockwell International, or the current Rockwell Collins organization.

You can also find the above telephone number by using the "eBenefits and Pay Portal" online at www.benefits.rockwellcollins.com. This website includes lots of information which is organized under the following tabs and is useful to a retiree.

Health and welfare - includes individualized information applicable to life and medical insurance and your medical benefits.

Retirement - includes pension information with historical pay stub records.

Self Service - allows the user:

- to report a change of address,
- to request a change to a direct deposit
- or to revise tax withholding.

I was very pleased when I used this website to report changes in conjunction with my last move.

It would be a good idea to tell your spouse how to access this resource when you are not available.

Mike Lauterbach

Red and White Roses

Wilma Huber, a member of RCRA, is the author of a new book entitled, *Red and White Roses*. An Editorial review describes this book, published in July 2007, as "more than a memoir of courage and resolve; it is an uplifting reminder that love generated throughout a family can sustain us through the most tragic events."

More information about the book and its availability can be found on Wilma's website

www.wilmasandershuber.com

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