



## EXTRA ! EXTRA !

READ ALL ABOUT IT

Good things come in small packages. Some things take longer than expected. The important thing is –

### **The NEW Crescent Society is Alive and Kicking.**

Whereas the original started with an idea and it evolved into a successful organization and began slowly and gained momentum over time.

From reaching a low in April with the threat of disbanding, it was re-energized in May of 2010 by the enormous member support to continue. So to honor that support, we are continuing.

Until other members step in to fill the open positions, a nucleus will strive to turn baby-steps into giant steps and keep your Crescent Society on a forward move. Let your conscience guide you to assist in this endeavor. We are looking for help on a limited basis, no long-term commitment, more like rotating assignments for shorter limits. Sign up and use your abilities as a guest editor or secretary. You'd be keeping the group with no permanent position, but helping it along.

Contrary to the present economy, we are solvent although additional dues will bolster our reserves. New members are always welcomed. When in OKC, join our events.

This year we will continue with the usual quarterly meetings as luncheons, not dinners. They are scheduled for November, February and May. The May get-together is a picnic.

While specific dates haven't been set for locations, please make note of the months. Brunches will continue as usual, too, at Woodbridge Restaurant on 39<sup>th</sup> St. A schedule of events, places and meeting times will be posted on the website [www.crescentsociety.com](http://www.crescentsociety.com) and in future issues of the News.

Please give us your attention in our new publication due for next time. It will be a drastic change to this issue and previous issues. There will be an opportunity for you to make comments, add remarks and be a part of the content. You will be able to submit articles or stories. More on that project shortly. We decided to print this interim edition until we felt comfortable with our own abilities on such a move.

If you haven't been to Oklahoma City for a while, the place is really changing. More will be covered in the future issues. Buildings, old landmarks going and gone, major highway construction and street maintenance. Lots of the same old places are still where they've always

been. Did you know we have an Oklahoma River now? OKC Thunder is our entry into the NBA. An AHL hockey team begins its inaugural season. Goodbye Blazers, hello Barons.

Let us know what you would like to read about in the future issues. We can fill the pages, but is it the news you want to hear about?

As our past publisher pointed out that if you do value the newsletters, we must share our news with The Crescent News Letter staff, so .... send items that might be of interest to other member readers. Send them along even if you aren't sure others would be interested. Let the readers decide. Good advice and we should abide by it. It's your newsletter; get involved with it.

Submitted by: Marty Blazy  
Historian and Secretary

Edith Hughes            Caring Chairperson

Bob Hickey             Treasurer

Dick Weathers         President and Membership

## **More News about Oklahoma City....**

Oklahoma City was named one of the nation's 100 Best Communities for Young People from America's Promise Alliance in September thanks to a renewed focus on high-quality mentoring and fitness initiative programs for inner-city youth.

## **General Electric Pension Summary is going paperless...**

You can access your Pension Pay Summary online at [www.benefits.ge.com](http://www.benefits.ge.com). Beginning this quarter, you will no longer receive a mailed paper statement.

Online pay summaries are secure, easy to access, environmentally friendly, and help you cut clutter. This printable online summary is identical to the mailed summary, and at least three years of pay summaries are available on line in one convenient location.

For more information , contact the GE Pension Benefits Inquiry Center a 1-800-432-3450.

## **From the Archives... January 1976.. Magnetic Peripherals, Inc.. The Peripheral...**

Assembly operations began this week in Building 1 on the Flexible Disk Drive (FDD). The second new product introduced to MPI Oklahoma City Operations from Hawthorne, CA.

Assembly will be under the direction of John Cahill, Supervisor, Shop Operations, and it is estimated that approximately 50 units of the FDD will be built per day with around 30 people, including assemblers, inspectors and audit technicians working on the new product. Of course there was the ever present Bernie Hood, Quality Engineer for the FDD production line.

## Important Dates and Places....

November 20<sup>th</sup> ... Brunch (9:30 AM .. or about that time) at the Woodbridge Restaurant on NW 39<sup>th</sup> Street .. across from the "Old" Building 1.

December 9<sup>th</sup> .... Lunch at the Western Heritage Museum (Cowboy Hall of Fame) Restaurant.. the reservations need to be mailed to Bob Hickey with your check for \$8.00 per person (members) and \$12 per person (non-members) not later than December 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Membership Desk....

If you haven't paid your dues for this 2010-2011 year, now is the time. Then will get you (1) membership, (2) newsletter (website or hard copy), (3) password for website directory, news about former co-workers and announcements of brunches, luncheons and other events. Dues are \$5/ea per former employee/spouse/partner. Try and find that anywhere for just 5 bucks each! Join the Crescent Society today. **Send dues to Bob Hickey, 1900 N.W. 160<sup>th</sup> Pl., Edmond, OK, 73013-1434.** Include your mailing address, phone, and e-mail address, to add to the directory.

The membership count of current supporters is 261, with 167 local members... not bad for a reorganization effort. That is more than halfway to last year's total. As the word gets out, our membership will grow. Please spread the word that the Crescent Society has NOT disbanded.

## Red Hat .. Red Hot Mammamas....

The Red Hat Ladies will be forgoing their regular first Thursday meeting in December to attend the Crescent Lunch at the Cowboy Hall on the second Thursday of December (December 9<sup>th</sup>) .. and of course all the Red Hat Ladies will be in full red hat regalia. Also, recruiting for the Red Hats will be allowed on this special day.

## About our Members ...

Barbara J. Smith.. "I am now a Realtor with Prudential Towne Realty now for 6 years. I live in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia, actually the P-Town or Portsmouth. I have earned three national designations.. ABR,GRI,SFR and some local credentials too. I have sold 28 homes since going into the business and have worked with rental placements too and have lost track of how many. I have a granddaughter and 2 eight year old great-granddaughters."

"I volunteer at the Friends of the Library, treasurer for the local business group MidTowne Portsmouth Business Association, docent for the Naval Shipyard Museum, chairperson for the community local food pantry collections. Serve with the bank of people who man the phones for donations to public radio and television. Both hubby, Everett and I are active members of the Iris Society of America thru the Hampton Roads chapter."

"I still belong to Women of the Moose.... And I like to roller skate, sew, make dolls and paint every chance I get... "

Barbara asks if any one remembers John Guthrie or Patty Johnson and the computer room Barbara?

Apparently, Patty, who worked in the clean room now runs her own daycare, The SugarBearDayCare in OKC...

## **And the Questions for this edition ... are?**

Who in their well-spent youth was a helper on a bread truck delivery route?

...and, who is really a clown (see photo)?

