

Tributes

Vern E. Archer

1/29/2014; Active
General Construction Gas;
Area 5

Steven G. Borges

7/31/13
Electric Operations; Salinas

Howard P. Braun

1/15/2014; Ret. 4/1/1983
Electric Operations;
General Office

Alen P. Cook

12/14/2013; Ret. 10/1/1993
Customer Services; Sierra

Miguel R. Cortinas

1/9/2014; Ret. 1/1/1994
Gas and Electric Operations;
San Jose

Harold R. Gordon

1/20/2014; Ret. 1/1/2012
Grass Valley Service Center;
Area 6

Joseph R. Gordon

1/31/2014; Ret. 8/1/2010
Gas Field Services; Area 1

James M. Hafner

1/28/2014; Ret. 7/1/1999
Sacramento

Everett A. Harriman

12/12/2013; Ret. 1/1/1995
General Construction Gas;
North Valley

Burcis E. Henderson

2/14/2014; Ret. 4/1/1984
Electric Transmission and
Distribution; Shasta

June E. Hendrix

1/22/2014; Ret. 5/1/1981
Division General Services;
San Jose

Robert E. Hill

2/2/2014; Ret. 7/1/1983
Land; Colgate

Eloise E. Hillmon

12/17/2013; Ret. 9/1/2011
Customer Operations; Area 2

Jay C. Hoag

2/3/2014; Active
EDSO; Area 5

Donald W. Holcombe

2/14/2014; Ret. 1/1/1995
Gas; Distribution Construction

Ronald P. Keltner

1/23/2014; Ret. 10/1/1993
Morro Bay Power Plant;
Steam Generation

Harland P. Kenyon

1/16/2014; Ret. 2/1/2005
Electric; Sacramento

Donald E. King

1/26/2014; Ret. 7/1/1999
Electric; Operations
Maintenance and
Construction Area 2

Justin D. Lemons

2/16/2014; Ret. 9/1/2011
Transportation Services;
Area 4

Jimmy R. Lynn

1/14/2014; Ret. 11/1/2013
Transmission and
Distribution Operations;
Maintenance and
Construction

Fredericka B. MacKenzie

1/7/2014; Ret. 1/1/1991
Human Resources;
Corporate Services

Michael F. Maughan

2/1/2014; Ret. 2/1/1996
Division Manager; East Bay

Wayne B. Neyens

2/10/2014; Ret. 9/1/2002
Credit and Records Center;
Vice President Customer
Revenue Transactions

Betty L. Olden

2/14/2014; Ret. 1/1/1995
Support Services; Sierra

Robert Pedersen

1/17/2014; Ret. 5/1/1998
Gas T and R; Operations
Maintenance and
Construction; Area 6

Jack Prosser

1/22/2014; Ret. 2/1/1990
Gas and Electric
Construction; East Bay

Bernard Riley

2/19/2014; Ret. 1/1/1995
Hydro Engineering; ESBU

James Rippee

10/7/2013; Ret. 5/1/1988
Oakhurst; Yosemite

Beatrice Robinson

12/31/2013; Ret. 6/1/1978
Personnel; General Office

Raymond Rossi

2/6/2014; Ret. 2/1/1978
Computer Operations;
General Office

Avley Runnels

2/5/2014; Ret. 1/1/1980
Meter Reading; San Jose

Donald F. Sawyer

1/7/2014; Ret. 9/1/1984
Milpitas; Pipeline Operations

Cynthia Shumway-Lipps

1/31/2014; Active
Customer Services;
San Jose

Clifford J. Smith

2/8/2014; Ret. 1/1/1995
Sales; Los Padres

Elmer Smith

1/14/2014
Stockton

Jess Snodgrass

1/25/2014; Ret. 12/1/1981
Electric; North Bay

Bernard Stedman

12/27/2013; Ret. 3/1/1975
Station; General Construction

Richard Swett

12/31/2013
Stockton

Bennie Vinciguerra

1/13/2014; Ret. 5/1/1987
General Construction

Sharon Whitman

2/4/2014; Ret. 4/1/2012
Call Center San Jose

Gerald M. Whorton

1/10/2014
General Construction

Clifford Williams Jr.

1/1/2014; Ret. 4/1/1988
Gas and Electric Operations;
East Bay

Jack E. Williams

1/22/2014; Ret. 11/1/1993
Electric Construction; Sierra

Brian Wing

1/13/2014; Ret. 10/1/2011
PIO Industrial Power;
Technical Services

Stanley Woolley

1/29/2014; Ret. 5/1/2007
ISTS

Edward Wright

1/22/2014; Ret. 7/1/1994
Division Manager; Sierra

Retiree Club Activities

April 2: Coast Valleys Chapter

Lunch: Spreckles Memorial Building, Spreckles
Joanie Lozano: 831-663-4608

April 3: Fresno Chapter

Lunch: Pardini's Restaurant, Fresno
Anivea Beshears: 559-435-8207

April 9: Stockton/Stanslaus Chapter

Lunch: Italian Athletic Club, Stockton
Carol Mitchell: 209-456-9667

April 10: Kern Chapter

Lunch: Hodel's Country Dining, Bakersfield
Del Sands: 661-664-9151 or 661-332-5833

April 17: Kern Chapter

Lunch: Club Pheasant, West Sacramento
Arlene Cook: 916-988-8905

April 18: Shasta Chapter

Lunch: Country Waffles, Redding
Don Mason: 530-527-1027 or
donmason1934@gmail.com

April 24: Los Padres Chapter

Lunch: Catered Mexican Food
Kindred Spirits performing
Reon Munson: 805-460-9757

April 29–May 3: Solano-Yolo Chapter

Outing: Pomo RV Park, Fort Bragg
Frank Moreda: 707-544-1054

Follow Our Progress

We have good news to tell about our progress, about the pride our employees and retirees have for PG&E, and the work we're doing to provide our customers with affordable, reliable and, above all, safe gas and electric service.

Currents (pgecurrents.com) is a great source of PG&E news and perspectives, and our new See Our Progress website—pge.com/SeeOurProgress—is helping customers and the public see the work we're doing to create the nation's safest and most reliable gas system.

PG&E has more than 14 social media properties, including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn and Instagram. If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to like us, follow us and join the conversation!

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 www.facebook.com/pacificgasandelectric

 twitter.com/pge4me

 www.linkedin.com/company/pacific-gas-and-electric-company

 instagram.com/pacificgasandelectric#

 www.youtube.com/user/pgevideo



Retiree News

April 2014

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In 1940, PG&E workers (including Elmer Isaac) installed footings south of the San Mateo Bridge to support tower lines for the 230,000 kV power line to serve the peninsula.

Centenarians Offer a Glimpse of PG&E's Past

Two PG&E centenarians, Elmer Isaac and Ed Elmore, are living proof that age is just a number, and their hard work in the field might have something to do with that. The company benefitted from their combined 78 years of service. Both men turn 100 years old this year and through them we catch a glimpse of the company's history and gain their insight on longevity.



PG&E retiree and centenarian Elmer Isaac (photo taken in 2000)

Elmer Isaac was raised on a ranch in rural Nevada and came to California during the Depression. He laughs easily, believes in moderation, and describes himself as a "good ol' hardworking man."

Elmer remembers manually digging holes (8 feet deep by 2 feet in diameter) for power poles on his first job for PG&E in 1939, long before there were trucks with built-in power diggers. "They have mechanical diggers nowadays, but back in those days, it was all shovel work," he said. In addition to digging holes, the "hard work" he did during 40 years in General Construction for PG&E included climbing power poles, and building power lines, tunnels and power houses. He retired as a superintendent of construction.

For Elmer, working hard in the field still left him with energy to build his own house, in 1987, in Rocklin, California—about 20 miles northeast of Sacramento—where he lives alone (he has outlived two wives). He uses a wheelchair to get around and a nurse comes by daily to check on him.

There's no doubt he has lived a physically demanding life. His one hip and two knee replacements confirm this, but he missed only two days of work in his entire career—both times due to food poisoning. He says he has only been to the hospital five times in his life. He is proud of his abilities. He still has a strong grip: "I can break your hand when I shake it," he says with a chuckle.

"Enjoy life. Do everything you like to do, and do it in moderation."

Elmer Isaac
PG&E retiree and centenarian

Retiree Contacts

PG&E Outage Hotline: 1-800-743-5002

PG&E Customer Service: 1-800-743-5000

PG&E Pension Payroll: 415-973-3767

Pacific Service Credit Union: 1-888-858-6878

Pacific Service Employees Association: 1-800-272-7732

PG&E Retirement Award Customer Service: 1-800-385-3139

San Joaquin Power Employees Credit Union:
1-800-637-5993

Web: <https://myportal.pge.com>

HR and Benefits questions:

phone: 1-800-700-0057

email: hrbenefitsquestions@exchange.pge.com

mail: 1850 Gateway Blvd., 7th floor, Concord, CA 94520

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Centenarians Offer a Glimpse of PG&E's Past

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Does he have any advice after living so long? "Enjoy life. Do everything you like to do, and do it in moderation," he said, citing himself as an example. "I like Jack Daniels and 7-Up, but I know when to quit...I've learned a little bit. I still have a couple of marbles left."



PG&E retiree and centenarian Ed Elmore

Ed Elmore has a sense of humor we can all relate to. He jokes that the hardest part of his job was "getting up and going to work." One thing is certain: He knows who he is. "I would much rather do something with my hands than sit at a desk and do it," he said.

As a steady presence at PG&E from 1947 to 1977, Ed also spent eight years before that in the railroad department out of

Sacramento, back in the day when PG&E ran the streetcar franchise and powered it via the hydroelectric plant in Folsom. He counts 38 years with the company, most of it working as a mechanic in General Construction. The job took him from Mountain View to San Jose, and San Mateo to Solvang.

PG&E roots run deep in his family: His father worked at PG&E from 1917 to 1944, during a time of considerable expansion for the company. He retired as a superintendent of construction.

Ed has enjoyed mostly good health, except for a bout of viral meningitis when he was 15 that left him with some hearing loss. He had a heart attack nine years ago, and watches his diet "a little bit now, but not as much as I should."

"If my legs were good, I would still be bowling," he said, noting that he had to give up the sport in 1997. "I'm afraid to bowl now because I would fall down." His independence, however, continues. Ed lives by himself in a double-wide trailer on his daughter Pat King's property in Tomball, Texas (about 20 miles northwest of Houston). He spends time with his "lady friend" who lives in another town and enjoys travel—he went to Alaska last year—but mostly takes short trips to places such as Branson, Missouri.

He had three children with his late wife, who died in 1994, and counts 49 people in his family, including children, grandchildren and in-laws.

Having lived this long, does he have advice to offer? "Be good and have fun, and if you can't be good, have fun anyway," Ed said.

New Local TV Ad Campaign Shares PG&E's Progress with Customers

By Libby O'Connell

PG&E's 2014 local advertising campaign launched to the public in March, starring employees from Eureka to Bakersfield. PG&E's new television advertising features more than a dozen frontline PG&E employees. The campaign's focus is simple: Portray a company that customers trust, like and want to do business with by emphasizing PG&E's partnership with its customers and the communities it serves.

Each of the TV spots appear in the area specific to that employee's community, so that customers may even recognize employees from their own neighborhood, their children's school, the softball team or the supermarket. Plans also are in the work for radio and online versions.



"I definitely take pride in the job that I do. When the lights go out, I know there's somebody out there that doesn't have power, especially when it's cold."

Anthony Ponnay
Eureka electric lineman

In his 1-minute spot, Eureka lineman **Anthony Ponnay** talks about the sense of urgency he has to restore power after a weather-related outage. He describes PG&E's commitment to "fix the job as fast as we can in the safest manner possible."

An added bonus, he says, is getting to work outdoors high up in a bucket truck.

"You get up in the bucket truck and you have some views that you never knew were there," he says. "Some of the best views. I don't think I could imagine doing anything else."



"I love the people that work with me—in and out of Kern Division. To say it's like family is really an understatement."

Shonda Abercrombie
Bakersfield gas damage prevention supervisor

Shonda Abercrombie, a Bakersfield-based gas damage prevention supervisor, says she really meant it in the ad when she calls PG&E an extended family of the community.

"I've watched the video a couple of times and actually caught myself getting a little choked up," says Shonda, an 18-year PG&E employee. "I love the people that work with me, in and out of Kern Division. To say it's like family is really an understatement. I'm glad to have had the opportunity to give that sentiment—which is shared by many—a voice."

As retired employees and members of the communities we serve, you all are important ambassadors of the company. Please help spread the word about our new local ad campaign with your family, friends and neighbors. The commercials can be viewed at www.youtube.com/user/pgveideo; share links to the ads with your own social networks.

About the campaign

- The first set of ads includes gas and electric employees from Bakersfield, Monterey, San Carlos, Eureka, Fresno and Vacaville/Sacramento.
- Each ad ends with the tagline "See our progress in your town" and a link to www.pge.com/SeeOurProgress.

Retirements

RECENT RETIREES

Raymond Anderson 41 years of service	Kenneth Goody 35 years of service	Mario Martinez 42 years of service	Steven Sciamanna 34 years of service
David Baer 10 years of service	Lorraine Guzman-Chatham 9 years of service	Ingrid Mejia 40 years of service	Henry Silva 33 years of service
Thomas Bitting 41 years of service	Deanna Helm 32 years of service	Lori Mijs 36 years of service	Louis Silva 27 years of service
William Black 37 years of service	Juliet Helmstreit 34 years of service	Marcellus Mitchell 41 years of service	Sheri Silva 34 years of service
Richard Boyen 41 years of service	Gerald Hernandez 30 years of service	Frank Monti 30 years of service	William Skoonberg 38 years of service
Marlene Brock 22 years of service	Rex Hocking 40 years of service	Paul Neufeld 35 years of service	Harvey Smith 31 years of service
Charles Browne 10 years of service	Janet Huffman 41 years of service	Robert Nimrod 30 years of service	Gary Sorensen 35 years of service
Elena Campbell 34 years of service	David Jensen 40 years of service	Christopher Ohlson 41 years of service	Michael Sparks 29 years of service
Kenneth Cooper 39 years of service	Kenneth Kendrick 36 years of service	Oakley Olson 44 years of service	Richard Takahashi 5 years of service
Melvin Craig 35 years of service	Eric Kenzler 33 years of service	William O'Neil 42 years of service	Luke Tamaki 42 years of service
Jerry Davis 36 years of service	Melody Kercheval 36 years of service	Cecilia Orais 36 years of service	William Tating 40 years of service
Joseph Dicus 41 years of service	Stanley Lacey 26 years of service	Rita Orr 35 years of service	Elenita Te 41 years of service
Richard Echols 42 years of service	Sylvia Leon 39 years of service	Gary Overman 35 years of service	Pamela Thornton 34 years of service
Joe Erickson 7 years of service	Mike Livingstone 36 years of service	Donald Pate 40 years of service	Jeffrey Troub 36 years of service
Louie Escalante 34 years of service	Paul Logan 35 years of service	James Petersen 37 years of service	Shuen-Wei Tu 29 years of service
Jim Fortes 36 years of service	Jose Lopez 42 years of service	Gregory Quitarano 16 years of service	Steven Walsh 42 years of service
Lydia Galvan 40 years of service	Richard Lujan 39 years of service	Charles Sardoch 28 years of service	Alan Warren 37 years of service
Robert Garcia 35 years of service	Felicia Mack 33 years of service	Theresa Sartor 36 years of service	Lemma Wendim-Agegnehu 29 years of service
Dolores Gaudet 34 years of service	Joyce Macrea 33 years of service		Robert Whittington 30 years of service
	William Manegold 35 years of service		Thomas Wright 26 years of service
	Gary Marley 37 years of service		