
GREATER ATLANTA CHAPTER
IBM QUARTER CENTURY CLUB
Newsletter – October 1, 2002

Margaret Betz, Editor

Presidents' Message

By Dave Zilles & Tryon Earl

As we enter the autumn season, we bring to a close the 2002 IBM Quarter Century year. We thank all of you for your support for our events during the past year. The club can be only as active as the membership allows!

Our membership continues to grow. We would like to thank those of you who have mentioned the QCC to your friends. Our biggest problem with membership growth continues to be reaching prospective members. Tell a friend about the QCC and help the club gain new members.

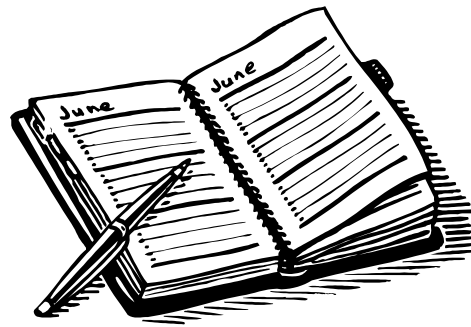
Our financial position is good as we enter 2003. We have the financial resources we need to continue to give back to the community.

Please check your newsletter and the QCC Web page (www.atlqcc.org) for the remaining activities for 2002. The Quarter Century Club Dinner is the final event of the year. We encourage you to attend. It's a great place to renew friendships and to enjoy an evening of fun and food.

We hope you had a great summer. Thanks again for supporting the QCC. As we turn to fall activities – football, tennis, and leaf tours -- think about joining the QCC for 2003. Our membership drive starts shortly.

Let's make the QCC everything we know it can be!

2002 Calendar of Events



October

Fourth Annual Dinner/Dance
Make your reservations now!
Thursday, October 24 6:30 to 11:00 p.m.
Holiday Inn Roswell

November

Open Door Charity Drive
An opportunity to "give back."
Saturday, November 2 (see article)

Events Since the Last Newsletter

Annual Picnic

The Second Annual Oldies but Goodies Car Show and Picnic was a great success!

Despite overcast skies and the threat of rain, our turnout of about 75 members, families, and friends made the day simply wonderful.

“Supersized” hotdogs were the hit of the day, masterfully grilled by Bill Branson and Sandy Rattray.

The water level at Lake Allatoona was low, but our spirits were high as we welcomed a few new members and met long-time friends.

Ron Floyd coordinated the car show and stated, “While sparse on classic car attendance at this year’s picnic, there could be little doubt that Glen Michalski’s 1956 Jaguar XK140 would have been a winner no matter how many classics had shown up. Decked out in what is believed to be traditional British “racing green,” this beauty would stand out anywhere. And, give Glen a lot of credit for bringing it to the picnic despite the threatening skies!”

With only two classics shown, Ron made an “executive decision” to skip the balloting and award top honors to the Jaguar. All present agreed heartily. Ron’s 1964 Corvette Roadster took second place by default.

Watch for photos on our Web site. We look forward to seeing you next year!

Fox Summer Series

A handful of members ventured into downtown Atlanta to the Fabulous Fox in August to enjoy the movie, “The Rookie.”

Most received a pleasant surprise when, before show time, the Mighty Mo rose from below the stage to accompany an old-fashioned sing-along. We did our choral best with “Let Me Call You Sweetheart” and “By the Light of the Silvery Moon” (following the bouncing ball on the projected words) and then watched a great cartoon.

Look for more activities in Atlanta in 2003!

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!

Please join us for the Fourth Annual IBM Quarter Century Club Dinner

Thursday, October 24
Holiday Inn
1075 Holcomb Bridge Rd. Roswell, GA
(770-992-9600)
6:30 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.
Cash bar opens at 6:30 p.m.
Dinner is served at 7:30 p.m.

Menu includes:
Prime Rib of Beef (or) Chicken Cordon Bleu
Garden Green Salad
Potato & Fresh Seasoned Vegetable Medley
Warm Rolls with Butter
Chocolate Carmel Pecan Pie
Coffee & Iced Tea

Listen and dance to the sounds of “Northside”

Please *return the following information* to Bill Branson, 3649 Lone Indian Trail, Marietta, GA 30066 by Thursday, October 10.

Make check payable to IBM Quarter Century Club.

If you have questions, please call Bill at 770-977-4663.

Cost: \$35 per person

Names of attendees:

Address:

Phone number:

Please choose an entrée for each attendee (indicate #):

Chicken Cordon Bleu _____
Prime Rib _____

Collection for Open Door Homeless Shelter November 9, 2002

Clean out those closets and overflowing drawers!
Many items that merely clutter our lives can be
put to wonderful use by the Open Door.

The Open Door has served the homeless for over
20 years.

Open Door Shelter
910 Ponce de Leon
Atlanta, GA 30306
404-874-9652
www.opendoorcommunity.org

What is needed?

Greatest

Need: Blankets, soap, shampoo
(travel size), lotion, combs,
disposable razors, feminine
products, toothbrushes

Jeans, t-shirts, women's
underwear, socks, eye glasses

Ham and turkey for the Soup
Kitchen

Also Needed: Medicines for free medical clinic
(e.g., Ibuprofen, Tylenol, aspirin,
cough drops, antifungal cream,
cold medicine (alcohol free),
medicated foot powder, antibiotic
ointment, multivitamins

Men's work shirts, men's
underwear, alarm clocks, men's
belts, towels, washcloths,
deodorant, Vaseline

MARTA tokens, postage stamps

Sandwiches, quick grits, cheese,
coffee

Always

Appreciated: Monetary donations (make checks
payable to Open Door) or
volunteers to
assist on-site. Call Phil Leonard
at 404-874-4906 or e-mail for
information:
Pleon2000@mindspring.com

How to

Donate: The QCC board members have
offered to use their homes as
collection sites. Check the Web
site for addresses and phone
numbers. While drop-off sites
won't be "staffed," signs will
indicate where to leave your
donations.

Please ensure your items are clean
and in good repair. If it's raining,
it's a good idea to use plastic
trash bags.

When: Saturday, November 9

If you have any questions, contact Jean Ellis at
770-973-2927, or ellisj@attglobal.net or
contact John Hedrick at 770-394-5683 or
jthedrick@aol.com. Remember, more information
is available on our Web site: www.atlqcc.org.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee

Tom Satterlee, Tim Murphy

**We now stand at about 350 members. If you
know eligible folks who aren't members, please
encourage them to send in the annual dues.**

**If you have any suggestions on how we can
improve the club or how to encourage new
members and renewals, please write to
satterleet@mindspring.com.**

Community Programs

John Hedrick

GPTV

A big thank you to Janie Braswell for coordinating this very successful fund-raising event. QCC members helped answer telephones one evening and wrote up more than \$13,000 in pledges to Georgia Public TV.

Want to have some fun?

Work with a committee of the IBM QCC. There are openings for assistance in every area. You can help make valuable projects and activities happen...AND, you can see if QCC leadership is for you. It is a small investment of your time with a compound dividend of fun and accomplishment. Call me.

Mike McGuire (770) 394-5690

ATLQCC Website

Tom Neidhardt

The new and improved Web site (<http://www.atlqcc.org>) is one year old. Thanks for the good feedback.

Note the frequently called phone numbers and some IBM forms in electronic format (Adobe PDF).

We plan to make the Web site more interactive to allow you to maintain your QCC profile information online. This will key off of your IBM serial number (which will become your userID). When the interactive feature is implemented, you will be asked to create a password to give you secure access to your profile information.

We also hope to make the QCC Newsletter and Member Directory available on the Internet as an option to hardcopy. The savings can be substantial. Let us know if you have ideas for the Web site. Write to webmaster@atlqcc.org.

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