

Get Your Riyals Ready

Diane Knipfel-Adams AB'75 - Reunion Oversight Director

The 2005 reunion is shaping up to be a wonderful mix of reunion favorites as well as some fun surprises, so read on for further information about hotel, travel, and registration information.

Reunion registration time is here again, and it is easier than ever before. We hope you will appreciate the changes we have made to the process.

For the first time ever, you can register for the reunion by visiting the ABI website (Aramco-Brats.com). Just fill in the web form blanks, and the info will be automatically added to the reunion committee's registrant database. Due to the automation with this method, the committee urges Brats to utilize the on-line registration process. While we wish we could also offer the ease of credit card payments, we decided that that option added too much expense to the reunion and ABI budgets. Thus, you will have to mail your registration fees to Penny, of the Houston Reunion Committee.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If you have not yet paid your administrative baksheesh (Ad-Bak) for this term, be sure to include it with your registration fees.

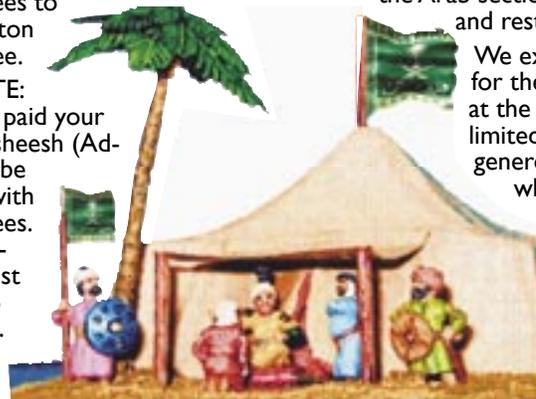
This monetary support of the ABI must be paid in order to attend the reunion. If you are unsure whether you've paid for this term,

contact Cathie McCoy, ABI Treasurer, at cathie@aramco-brats.com. For those more comfortable with regular mail, fill out the forms on pages 5 and 6, and send them with the appropriate fees to the address given.

By reunion time, the Doubletree (soon to be Hilton) Houston Post Oak will have completed a \$20 million renovation. The layout of the public areas is perfect for a Brat reunion, with a lobby and lounge made for watching the Brats arrive and reunite. The pool area is the best we've ever seen in a downtown hotel. It's no El Conquistador, but there is plenty of room for Brats to float, lounge, and visit. Should you desire to venture from reunion headquarters, the famous Galleria Mall is right across the street, and the Arab section of town, with its shops and restaurants, isn't much further.

We expect record attendance for the Houston reunion. Space at the Sunday night banquet is limited, as is Aramco Services' generous subsidy. Plus, those who dally will have to pay late fees and risk not getting the official reunion shirt and other registration freebies. Register NOW, so you don't miss out!

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CLASS REPRESENTATIVES WANTED

Gretchen Connally DH'91 - Class Representative Coordinator

One of the keys to helping Brats stay in touch with one another is the assistance provided by ABI Class Representatives. This position is enjoyable because, as a class representative, you will ferret out lost classmates, connect old friends, and organize get-togethers in which you and your peers can rediscover old times. If you have ever asked friends to meet you somewhere for dinner, you have the organizational skills needed to help the Brats in your ninth grade graduation class keep in touch. Becoming an ABI Class Representative is particularly rewarding at this time because 2005 is a reunion year which means that special venues for class meetings have been located and much of the work has been done for you. We still have a number of vacant class rep positions. Wouldn't you love to reconnect with old friends? Wouldn't it be great to know that you are the glue that helps your class stay connected? All of our current openings are posted on the BratBoard (Yet another reason to stop by and take a look!) and on the main ABI website or on the BratBoard. If you're interested in becoming or finding out more about being an ABI Class Representative, please contact Gretchen Connally DH'91, Class Rep Coordinator, at gretchen@aramco-brats.com.

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Nominations

Gary Barnes DH'70 - Director at Large- Nominations

The biennial reunions are an opportunity to see old friends, reminisce about growing up in Arabia, and have a weekend of fun. They are also your opportunity to ensure that the guidance of AramcoBrats Inc. is in good hands, because this is when all Brats are asked to elect the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary of the ABI board.

In addition to these four positions, there are seven positions appointed by the elected officials. These positions are Webmaster, Email Director, Database Director, Reunion Oversight Director, Publications Director, Class Representative Coordinator and Director at Large. The terms of all officers end on November 1, 2005. Any Brat is eligible to be a candidate for a board position; current officers may choose to run for re-election. Appointed positions typically are filled as vacancies become available. Descriptions of board positions are available on the ABI website and in the Annual Report (www.aramco-brats.com/2003_annual_report.pdf). If you're interested in knowing more about serving on the ABI board, we would encourage you to contact us so that we can answer any questions you may have. Any Brat wishing to put his or her name into nomination for a Board position should contact Gary Barnes (gbarnes@aramco-brats.org). Nominations for elected offices will close on February 1, 2005.

Participation on the ABI board requires dedication and a significant investment of time. You will need access to email and time to respond to almost daily correspondence from other board members. Some positions require specific skills, such as familiarity with certain software, or publishing skills. Although not required, we encourage all board members to attend the reunions. The biennial reunions are an opportunity for board members to connect directly with the Brat community, and this is the time when we introduce the newly elected ABI board.

Ballots with the names of all candidates for the elected positions will be mailed to all Brats for whom we have a current address by Spring, 2005 and will also be available at the Houston reunion. All ballots will be counted at the reunion and the winners announced at the Business Meeting and the Sunday Banquet.

Everything the ABI has accomplished, from reunions to the websites and the online store, is made possible through the dedication and commitment of a small group of volunteers. Please consider becoming a candidate and help keep the dream alive.

BRAT COMMUNICATION

Michael McCoy RT'72 - Webmaster

You have several channels for obtaining or receiving information about AramcoBrat events and news. The best place to start is the ABI home page (<http://www.aramco-brats.com/>), which highlights late-breaking Brat news and coming events. If you're interested specifically in reunion information, go to the ABI home page and click the Reunion button in the toolbar: that will display the 2005 reunion home page, which will provide news and links about the upcoming reunion in Houston.

The ABI BratBoard (<http://www.aramco-brats.com/BratBoard/>) is another good way to send and receive information. The ABI has separate forums for general announcements, ABI news, and reunion news. You will need to register for a free membership if you want to post messages, but you can read messages even if you're not yet a member.

If we have a current mailing address for you, we will send you a printed newsletter every six months and an election ballot about a month before the election. If we have a current email address for you, we will email a brief summary of late-breaking news to you every month or two.

If you want to ask a question or share information, you can use email or the website to let us know what's going on with you:

- To send a message or a question to the ABI Board, send an email to board@aramco-brats.com. Someone on the ABI Board will respond to you within a day or two. (If you want to contact a specific Board member, open the ABI home page and choose ABI > ABI Board, then click the email address of the person you want to contact.)
- To let us know about a change to your mailing address or email address, fill out the webform at http://www.aramco-brats.com/address_change_form.htm or send an email to address_change@aramco-brats.com.
- To contact the 2005 reunion committee, send an email to reunion2005@aramco-brats.com.
- To pay your Administrative Baksheesh, print the webpage found at <http://www.aramco-brats.com/AdBak2.htm> and mail it with your payment to Cathie McCoy, ABI Treasurer.



We're looking for a few organized Brats for the 2007 reunion

Over the years, we have come to the conclusion that it is just never too early to begin planning a party. If you think you have what it takes – a great team and a great location – to host the 2007 AramcoBrat Reunion, please contact Diane Knipfel-Adams at diane@aramco-brats.com.

Editor's Note

Dean L. Barnes DH'67 - Publications Director

Earlier this year, my father asked me to write about what it was like to grow up in Saudi Arabia. I've often thought that our shared upbringing was somewhat of a mixed blessing. This is a short version of this theme. In the better part of our growing up, the world and its diverse people and in particular the Arab world was spread before us. To our discredit, at times, we clung to the mundane and the familiar, but somehow managed to acquire a wealth of interesting experiences. That global attention is so intensely focused on the Middle East highlights the images of our upbringing. Today, even as we have managed to put down roots in our new homes, we question how shallow the roots of our youth were, particularly when we remember that night we spent in camp before taking that last plane out. What is it which causes us to so fiercely cling to our past and seek to recapture those stages of our lives? The individual elements that constituted life in the Aramco camps were, for the most part, not dissimilar from those experienced by many of our stateside peers. Yet, taken in its entirety, growing up as an AramcoBrat was an extraordinary experience. That experience is alive today in the gathering of Bratdom that is an AramcoBrat reunion. I'll be at the AramcoBrat Reunion in Houston looking for old friends and older memories. So come and look me up at the reunion. I look forward to talking with you.



President's Message

By Diana Ryrholm-Geerdes RT'62 - President

We are all excited about the 10th Biennial AramcoBrat Reunion. I recently returned from attending our annual ABI board meeting at the reunion hotel, the Doubletree Post Oak in Houston, Texas. I'm pleased to report that the hotel seems to be a perfect fit for our group and the location is excellent. Over the weekend, the ABI Board met several times, both formally and socially, with the Houston Reunion Committee, and we were pleased to see that the myriad details which contribute to a great reunion are falling into place.

Reunions don't "just happen," they are the result of careful planning and effort to execute that planning in a timely fashion. Hotels must be contacted and assessed, a reunion site must be selected, and the contract for that hotel negotiated. An alternate hotel must be located for those who register after the main hotel has filled up. Golf and tennis facilities must be secured. Activities must be planned and space for those reunion activities must be secured. During all this planning, ABI Board, particularly the ABI Reunion Oversight Committee has kept in close contact with the Houston Reunion Committee, ensuring progress, accountability, frugality, and the high standards which make our reunions so enjoyable.

Houston is a Brat town. With its international flair and its connection to oil, most AramcoBrats will feel right at home in this modern, prosperous city. Houston is home to the Aramco Services Company, another link to our heritage. While in Houston earlier this month, several of us were able to tour ASC offices. Our very knowledgeable and wonderfully pleasant guide was Alma Kombargi, who works in Public Affairs. Did you know that they have a complete medical facility for all employees on the premises? Did you know that they sponsor hundreds of Saudi nationals, enabling them to get an education in the United States and Great Britain? I did not. Their facilities were impressive (especially security) – they provide a fully equipped exercise gym for the employees and a cafeteria with a variety of food. I was in awe of their printing room and was impressed with the various kinds of materials they produce throughout the year.

Aramco Services very generously donated money to the ABI for the 2003 reunion in Tucson. That money was spent on extra items that the registration fee did not cover (live band, door prizes, table gifts.....). Aramco Services has outdone themselves by offered us a very generous financial gift for the upcoming reunion. The money they are donating will be used to subsidize the banquet. Because of this magnificent contribution you will notice that the registration fee for this reunion is significantly less than in previous years. Our heartfelt thanks to ASC for their support of the Brat family.



Although we have tried to make this newsletter as up-to-date as possible, for the latest reunion information, look to the reunion section of the ABI website. If you have any questions, use the Ask the Board form on the website and a board member will quickly get back to you.. We would prefer to respond to postings on BratBoard where Brats with similar questions can participate.

While in Houston last month, I was reminded by just how much fun it was to be with other Brats. After the board meeting, a number of us stayed up until after midnight telling stories, catching up on personal news, discussing recent events, and suggesting ways in which the reunion could be made even better. If just a handful of Brats could be so much fun, imagine an entire hotel with its common rooms, the suq, lounges, banquet halls, pool, and the surrounding areas, golf and tennis courses, stores, and attractions, all filled with fellow AramcoBrats.

As I think about the upcoming reunion, I can see that we are missing just one thing...you. So make your plans and reservations. Dig out that photo album of old pictures. Dust off your best stories, and get ready for what should be the best reunion yet, the 2005 AramcoBrat Reunion.

On behalf of the ABI board and the Houston Reunion Committee, I wish you and your family a warm and memorable Holiday Season and a new year filled with plans to see your old and new friends at the AramcoBrat 10th Biennial Reunion in Houston.

Diana Ryrholm-Geerdes



Aramco Services Company Wants You!

Aramco Services Company is looking for AramcoBrats who wish to be included in their mailing list for upcoming events. If you wish to be notified about company events happening in your area, you should send your contact information (name, district/ year, address, city, state, zip, country, telephone, email, fax) to Alma Kombargi at alma@aramco-brats.com or via regular mail to Alma at Aramco Services Company, 9009 West Loop South, Houston, Texas 77096.

You can also contact ASC through the ABI website (<http://www.aramco-brats.com>) by clicking on the Contact Us button on the home page and clicking 'Aramco Services Company' from the menu on the left. Fill in your name and address information and click Send.

We continue to receive incredible donated items for the always-anticipated Raffle/Auction held at each reunion. If you would like to donate Middle Eastern items (or items that would be meaningful to AramcoBrats) - please contact Diana Ryrholm-Geerdes at diana@aramco-brats.com.

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The hotel is already half full, so do not delay in making your reservations. You do not want to risk having to stay off property and miss any of the fun. Even local Brats prefer to stay at the reunion hotel to maximize their enjoyment of the 24/7 party. More importantly, no one should be driving after Brat-level enjoyment at the reunion. Texas DWI laws are strictly enforced. Be forewarned that we did not include your bail in the reunion budget!

Houston has two major airports, Hobby and Intercontinental (Bush). They are essentially equidistant from the hotel, so if you're making airline reservations, either one is fine. Watch the ABI website, the threads on the BratBoard and the spring newsletter for further info on local transportation. Texas' south central location will make driving to the reunion the transportation of choice for many Brats. Hotel valet parking is quite expensive, but there is free parking immediately adjacent to the hotel's lot.

Here are a few miscellaneous reminders for you: The garage bands will be jamming again, so if you are a musician, be sure to bring your axe, horn, fiddle, or kazoo with you so you can join in the fun. If you are an artist, crafter, t-shirt entrepreneur, author, or anyone else interested in setting up shop in the suq, please contact the committee at reunion2005@aramco-brats.com. Class reps and other interested Brats should contact the reunion committee for info and ideas regarding the class parties on Saturday night.

So, in a nutshell, here's what you need to do:

1. Register for the reunion, via the website (preferred method), or by submitting the forms found in this newsletter.
2. Pay your registration fees, including the AdBak if not yet paid.
3. Make your hotel reservation. Call the Doubletree Post Oak at (713) 961-9300 and be sure to tell them you're an AramcoBrat so you get the special \$79+tax room rate. The special rate of \$79+ per night is available to attendees three days prior and three days after the reunion. You can also make your reservations on line via the link provided on the ABI reunion website. Anyone interested in registering for a suite should Contact Diana Ryrholm-Geerdes at diana@aramco-brats.com to be put on the waiting list.
4. Make travel reservations.
5. Call a friend or two or twelve. One of the best way to ensure that a lot of your friends attend the reunion is to call them and let them know you'll be there.
6. Attend the reunion! Thursday, May 26 through Monday, May 30. Don't forget that Monday is Memorial Day holiday, and the closing event of the reunion is held on Sunday evening. Visit the ABI website for reunion information and updates. Speak with us on the BratBoard for the quickest replies to your questions. If you have any specific concerns, please contact us at reunion2005@aramco-brats.com. See you in Houston!!



Class Parties

Here's another message from your 2005 Houston Reunion Committee. We would like for class reps to know that there are a lot of restaurants near the hotel that would be suitable for hosting your class party. If you are a class rep or someone interested in coordinating your class party, please consider one of the following restaurants. If you have something different in mind, just ask. You can contact me at penny@aramco-brats.com, or at reunion2005@aramco-brats.com Penny Dougharty-Maher DH '72, Houston, TX. Houston Middle Eastern Restaurants

Abdallah's Restaurant and Bakery	3939 Hillcroft St #100	(713) 952 4747
Darband Shish Kabob	5670 Hillcroft St	(713) 975 8350
Dimassi's Middle Eastern Cafe	2401 Times Blvd 5064 Richmond Ave	(713) 526 5111 (713) 439 7481
Droubi Bros.	648 Polk St	(713) 651 9377
Droubi Bros. Mediterranean Grill	910 Travis St Tunnel - McKinney Pl Garage MetroRail Line: Main Street Square	(713) 571 6800
Droubi's Bakery & Delicatessen	7333 Hillcroft St	(713) 988 5897
Droubi's Imports	7807 Kirby Dr 3223 Hillcroft St 3163 Hwy 6 S	(713) 790 0101 (713) 782 6160 (281) 494 2800
Droubi's International Imports & Cafe	2721 Hillcroft St	(713) 334 1829
Fadi's Mediterranean Grill	8383 Westheimer Rd Suite 112 @ Dunvale 4738 Beechnut St	(713) 532 0666 (713) 666 4644
Istanbul Grill & Deli Turkish Cuisine	5613 Morningside Dr	(713) 526 2800
Kabab Express	620 S. Highway 6	(281) 584 9700
Marrakesh Restaurant	500 Westheimer Rd.	(713) 942 0800
Ranosh Authentic Middle Eastern Cuisine	3402 Fondren Rd	(832) 242 5200
Saffron Moroccan Cuisine	2006 Lexington St.	(713) 522 3562
Skewers Cafe & Grill	3991 Richmond Ave 1640 Lake Woodlands Dr	(713) 599 1444 (281) 363 0200
Super Kabob & Burger	24 FM 1960 Rd West	(281) 893 8377
Yildizlar	3419 Kirby Dr @ Richmond	(713) 524 7735

What Kind of Things Can We Do in Houston?

Wondering what there is to do in Houston? Here are some of our favorites:

Take a stroll down Post Oak to the Williams Tower fountain. Shop and enjoy the nostalgic aromas at Phoenicia Specialty Foods. Sip some kawa and puff on a hookah with fellow Brats at one of the local spots.

Catch a baseball game at Minute Maid Park downtown (go Stros!). Catch a college baseball game at Rice University (go Owls!). See the de Menil Contemporary Museum and Collection along with Rothko Chapel and Bizantine frescoes, the Arboretum near Memorial Park, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Natural Science Museum, and IMAX, and the Children's Museum of Houston. Don't miss the Galleria, the Aquarium downtown, Bayou Bend, the Brazos Bend State Park, and the George Historical Ranch.

Be sure to catch the Reliant Astrodome, and further afield, the Johnson Space Center, Kemah Boardwalk, Galveston Island with its beaches, historic Strand District, Moody Gardens, Railroad museum, and Lone Star Flight Museum.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cathie McCoy RT'74 - Treasurer

One of the challenges of running an organization like the ABI on donations only, is that we are faced with trying to guess how much money will come in, when it will come in, and how much money we can afford to spend in case it doesn't come in. The first month I was officially the Treasurer, I was faced with creating a budget for the year: "We don't know what the income will be, and we don't know what the expenses will be, but please make a budget!" (It's a good thing we have some veterans on the Board who had a good handle on what we can expect.) So... a budget I created... and then held my breath to see if the money we were counting on came in. As always, you can see the Budget & Quarterly Financial Report in this newsletter and on the ABI website at <http://www.aramco-brats.com/income2005.htm>.

I'm happy to report that the Brats continue to be

generous. We have had 188 pay AdBak this term to date for a total of \$3,404.00. In addition, we have had 88 Brats donate beyond the suggested AdBak amount for a total of \$2,912.00. (Wajid shukran!!!!) In addition, we have sold 46 2003 Directories, and one <yourname>@aramco-brats.com account. (There have been many more people who have requested an @aramco-brats.com mailbox, but they haven't sent their \$10 check to activate the account yet.)

I get a number of questions frequently, so I've written up a ABI Finance FAQ on page 4 in this newsletter.

If you have any questions that aren't covered in the FAQ, feel free to contact me at cathie@aramco-brats.com or through the "Ask the Board" under the "Contact Us" page on the website.

<i>Quarterly Report 2004 - 2005</i>	BUDGET FOR 2004-2005	TERM TO DATE TOTAL	Q1 2004	Q2 2004	Q3 2004
INCOME					
4100 Contributions	\$13,500.00	\$4,416.00	\$982.00	\$252.00	\$3,182.00
4200 Special Events	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4300 Website Revenue	\$100.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
4400 Donated Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4500 Corporate Grants	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4600 Directory Revenues	\$8,300.00	\$2,370.00	\$525.00	\$160.00	\$1,685.00
4700 ABI Sales Revenue	\$7,250.00	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
4800 Investment Revenue	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4900 Reunion Revenue	\$49,150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$87,300.00	\$6,798.50	\$1,509.50	\$412.00	\$4,877.00
EXPENSES					
5100 Bank & Audit Fees	\$200.00	\$ (44.05)	\$(34.05)	\$0.00	\$ (10.00)
5200 Office Expenses	\$450.00	\$75.04	\$40.13	\$25.38	\$9.53
5300 Publication Expenses	\$26,125.00	\$3,854.00	\$0.00	\$997.6	\$2,856.47
5400 Website Expenses	\$550.00	\$192.90	\$117.90	\$0.00	\$75.00
5500 Travel & Entertainment Expenses	\$3,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5600 Insurance Expenses	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5700 Professional Expenses	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5800 ABI Sales Expenses	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5900 Future Reunion Site Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
6100 Special Expenses	\$1,320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
7100 Reunion Expenses	\$49,150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$86,095.00	\$4,077.96	\$123.98	\$1,022.98	\$2,931.00
PROFIT/(LOSS)	\$1,205.00	\$2,720.54	\$1,385.52	\$ (610.98)	\$1,946.00
Cash Balance from Previous Term	\$38,811.06				
Cash Balance - End of Quarter			\$40,196.58	\$39,585.60	\$41,531.60
Anticipated Cash Balance - End of Term	\$40,016.06				

ABI Finance and AdBak FAQ

Q: What is AdBak?

A: Administrative Baksheesh, or AdBak, is the contribution we request Brats pay every two years to support ABI operations. The AdBak term matches the ABI Board term – this term is from November 1, 2003 to October 31, 2005. AdBak, is currently set at \$18 for those in the US or \$23 for those who live overseas. AdBak pays for the printing and mailing of ABI newsletters; website costs; printing and distribution of the AramcoBrat Directory; and administrative costs, such as corporate registration and legal fees, mailings between Board members, bank charges, and other costs of running an organization.

Q: Why should I pay my AdBak if I don't plan on going to the reunion?

A: AdBak doesn't pay for reunions – it pays for the operation of the ABI. Reunions are budgeted to pay for themselves. (NOTE: While AdBak and reunion registration fees are separate, you must pay the AdBak in order to register for the reunion.)

Q: I can't remember if I paid AdBak or not – how do I find out?

A: Just send an email to Cathie@aramco-brats.com! I'd be happy to look at my records and let you know.

Q: Why is there a separate section for the directory on the AdBak form?

A: If you pay your 2003-2005 AdBak, you will automatically receive the 2005 Directory, which will not be published until just before the 2005 Houston Reunion. If you attend the reunion, you will receive your directory there, if you do not attend, it will be mailed to you during the summer of 2005. The separate section on the AdBak form is for purchasing the directory that **has already been published** – in this case the 2003 Directory, which was handed out initially at the 2003 Tucson Reunion.

Q: How do I pay AdBak?

A: Obtain an AdBak form from the newsletter or from the website (<http://www.aramco-brats.com/AdBak2.htm>), fill out the requested information, and mail a check made payable to: **AramcoBrats, Inc./PO Box 141/Hatfield, MA 01038/USA**

Q: Can I pay my AdBak or reunion fees via credit card? I live overseas and I don't want to deal with a US check.

A: Unfortunately, not at this time – we are reviewing options to accept credit cards, but have not been able to find an option that isn't prohibitively expensive or has requirements we are not able to satisfy. We are continuing to investigate, however and will make sure to announce if/when this becomes an option.

Q: What do you spend money on?

A: The budget and record of income and expenses are available on the website at <http://www.aramco-brats.com/income2005.htm>.

Q: Frank is eight years older than his sister. In three years he will be twice as old as she is. How old are they now?

A: I don't know. My brother Michael is in charge of this kind of stuff. It gives me a headache. (If you really want to know the answer, see www.aramco-brats.com/faq.htm.)

Q: I requested an Aramco-Brats.com email but it never got activated... why not?

A: The account will be reserved as soon as you request it, but it is not activated until you make payment in the amount of \$10.00 for a year. Once your payment is received, our Webmaster activates the account as of the date your check is deposited.

Q: Do ABI Board members get paid?

A: No – all Board members, Reunion Committee members and Class Representatives work on a volunteer basis. Expenses incurred on behalf of the ABI may be reimbursed, pending approval of the Board. Note that some non-Brat workers at a reunion may be contracted to run the registration desk or perform a professional service (such as photography, entertainers, DJ, etc.) at the reunion. These payments are part of the reunion budget and are paid for by reunion registration fees.

DONOR THANK YOU'S – We would like to thank the following for donating beyond the suggested AdBak amount since the last newsletter was published. Your generosity helps keep the ABI going!

Anonymous
 Mary Barger DH'66
 Pam Branch AB'79
 Paula A Bright-Zimmerman RT'72
 Eugene Colgan DH'55
 Laura Compton DH'73
 Barbara Ann Deines-Martin AB'68
 Debbi Dirr DH'65
 Hillary Dowling-Baker RT'72
 Kellie Eastham DH'77
 Mariellen Echezuria-Jungers RT'73
 Pamela Ehgott-McLemore DH'59
 Rob Ellison DH'85
 Randy Erickson RT'77
 Sandra Fleharty-Brudin DH'56
 Karen Fogle-Smith AB'75
 Rayne Gulovsen-Litera RT'62
 Barbara Harrington-Pew DH'66

Joyce Hilsz-Barton DH'60
 Cathryn Hockett-Smyth DH'67
 Caroline Homolka-Masters RT'84
 Cameron Ross-Johnston DH'76
 Myles Jones DH'52
 Gary Jungers AB'68
 John Kessinger DH'55
 Stephanie Knott DH'71
 Emily Knowles-Newman AB'70
 David McClaine DH'63
 Michael McCoy RT'72
 Margaret McDonald RT'67
 Sharon McQuade DH'65
 Terry Meier DH'75
 James Mileham DH'58
 Scott Downing Miller DH'62
 Kathy Montgomery AB'64
 Theresa Mortensen-Chatfield DH'85

Brian Mulligan DH'76
 Patrick Norrgran RT'67
 Robin Payne-White DH'59
 Jeanette Rebold-Rost DH'65
 Patricia Robles AB'86
 Diana Ryrholm-Geerdes RT'62
 Jean P. Schenewark-Eckstein DH'71
 Michael Singelyn DH'51
 Danae Sullivan-Hubbs DH'60
 Amy Thompson-Steindorff DH'79
 Julee Tindall-Scanlon AB'57
 Christal Townsend-Waite DH'66
 Marilyn Townsend-Maas DH'62
 Elizabeth Ullmann DH'74
 Robin VanDerzee-Sego DH'79
 Harlene C. Wilson-Morrow DH'48
 Janice Wohlgethan-Hawwa DH'66

Address Change Form

PLEASE WRITE ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

Name: _____
 First Middle Maiden Last

District/Year*: _____
 District (DH, RT, aB, or UD) Year of 9th Grade Graduation

Address: _____
 Street/Post Office Box

 City State/Country Zip +4

Telephone: _____
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Good Morning, here is your gahwa. I'm not surprised you are up so early with all the noise as we break camp. You must be as excited about the reunion as we are. Excuse me, La! La! the tents go on the khamiir camel, not the ajadh' which hasn't been well watered. Where was I...Ah Houston. Yes we are looking forward to good trading, a pleasant place to camp and most of all to gaze once again on the faces of our friends who have been traveling in distant lands. Another cup for you? Here look, I have my documents here. Here is my change of address, we fill one in whenever we move the herd near a new town, and here is my AdBak. We are waiting for the reunion registration form to arrive. I have reserved a spot for the camp and we will be changing some of our bangles for cash. Have a third cup, the hail is particularly fragrant. What! You haven't filled out your forms? What are you waiting for? Yellah, t'ruh.



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