

## 1940s

**JAMES E. TOMKINS** (M.S.'73 ME) of San Luis Obispo, California, is an engineering consultant on new nuclear power plants in Texas and Maryland.

## 1960s

**JOHN C. EAST** (B.S.'66 EECS) is chairman, president



and CEO of Actel, a field programmable gate array company in Mountain View, California, that provides system and power management solutions.

**KOHEI HONDE** (M.S.'67 ME) is now living in Japan. He writes, "I'm restoring my dad's old French sports car (rally, 1931). Finding parts is very hard. I got a street use license plate but still need lots of hours to make it dependable."

**STEPHEN KLINGER** (B.S.'63 ME) of Manhattan Beach, California, retired in 2004. He writes, "My wife, Mickey, and I have traveled in most of Eastern and Western Europe, Finland and Russia. We now get in about 25 days a year snow skiing in the western United States and I'm still an active beach volleyball player."

**BALRAJ SEHGAL** (M.S.'57, Ph.D.'61 NE) writes, "I have retired and am currently emeritus professor of nuclear power safety at the

Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden."

**M. VALI SIADAT** (B.S.'67 EECS) of Chicago, professor



of mathematics at Richard J. Daley College, won the Mathematical Association of America's Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award for Distinguished Teaching of Mathematics. Siadat has secured grants from NASA for mathematics-based summer enrichment programs for high school and middle school students and arranged for students to obtain summer research internships at Argonne National Laboratory.

**VITALY B. TROYAN** (B.S.'66 CEE) of San Rafael, California, recently retired for the third time, after managing the engineering departments for the cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles and Oakland. He writes, "I'm looking forward to traveling to faraway places."

**MARTIN D. VAN ZANDT** (B.S.'69 CEE) of Eureka, California, is enjoying retirement after 37 years of working as a civil engineer for the state.

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**PETER GEORGE ANGELES** (B.A.'52 Spanish, B.S.'59 Metallurgy) of Fremont, California,

writes, "I'm still engaged in materials science by cross-sectioning electronic components for microscopic analysis in Silicon Valley." He is also attending Ohlone Community College, taking piano and trumpet.

**ALLAN WAYNE COLLINS** (B.S.'56 CEE) received the Arizona Society of Professional Engineers' Lifetime Achievement Award and the John C. Parks Award from the Arizona Section of the ASCE, both in 2008. After retiring from the U.S. Navy Civil Engineer Corps in 1982, he served as public works director and county engineer for Maricopa County in Arizona and head of highway design for the Arizona Department of Transportation. Since 2000, he's been vice president of Huitt-Zollars, Inc., a Dallas-based engineering and architectural firm. He is active in U.S. Tennis Association tournaments and is ranked in Arizona's 70s age division.

**CHARLES K. FELLOWS** (B.S.'50 CEE) of Sacramento retired in 1986 from the California Department of Water Resources.

**CHARLES J. HAYER** (B.S.'50 CEE) writes, "I had a great career as a consulting engineer, and now we are enjoying retirement in Palm Desert. My chance to learn at Berkeley has been a great benefit year after year."

**JAMES D. MCLAIN** (B.S.'59 CEE) of San Mateo, California, retired after

44 years with Bechtel Corporation and is still a consultant with the company. He spent a major part of his career in international project management of mining and metals projects.

**JOHN F. STEWART** (B.S.'59 ME) of San Jose, California, writes, "I love mechanically synchronized machines, especially designing machines for paper products for schools. During my retirement, I've taken many cheap trips on the Green Tortoise bus."

**CHARLES B. WHARTON** (B.S.'50, M.S.'52 EECS) of Ithaca, New York, professor emeritus of electrical and computer engineering at Cornell University, writes "Gloria and I celebrated our 55th wedding anniversary in August. The whole family came together at our cottage on Cayuga Lake for the first time in five years."

**JOHN T.R. WILSON** (B.S.'50 EECS) of La Canada Flintridge, California, retired 11 years ago from NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory. He writes, "We are planning to move to Chico and/or Seattle in 2009."



John Wilson and his wife, Jean

**JOHN C. ALRICH** (B.S.'48 EECS) of Santa Barbara, California, writes, "I still remember the great two years I spent getting my bachelor's and the wonderful friends I met there. I wonder if my old haunts are still in operation, like Termite Terrace, where we always had a full breakfast to get us started for a solid day of learning."

**LEONARD C. BEANLAND** (B.S.'49 ME) of Castro Valley, California, writes, "I retired from PG&E after 35 years. I'm enjoying retirement with my wife of 61 years."

**JAMSHED KHODADAD FOZDAR** (B.S.'48 EECS) celebrated his 60th wedding anniversary in South Africa. He was involved in the design of 150-megahertz amplifiers for detecting stellar radio static and worked part-time in electron microscopy. He writes, "Nowadays my wife, Parvati, and I travel a fair bit. We know many of the chiefs of states and are occasionally received by them."

**MYRON JACOBS** (B.S.'44 EECS) retired after 41 years as a bridge construction engineer with Caltrans. He lives in Sacramento.

## in memoriam

**EDWARD M. "MO" BENSON JR.** (B.S.'44 Metallurgy) died in January at his home in Sunset Beach, California. He was 90. Born in Kansas City, Missouri, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II and retired in 1985, after 38 years with Atlantic Richfield Company. He was also director of UC Berkeley's Engineering Advisory Board.

**TOR L. BREKKE**, professor emeritus of geological engineering in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and scholar in tunneling, died in March at his home in Berkeley. He was 75. The Norwegian scientist authored more than 85 publications and consulted on power



plants, dams, highways, railroads and mines around the world. His achievements include serving as chair of the U.S. National Committee on Tunneling Technology, member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and honorary fellow of the Geological Society of America.

**ALFRED S. GRUNDY** (B.S.'43 ME) died in Houston, Texas, last September at age 93. Born in San Bruno, California, he worked for Shell Oil for 37 years and Fluor Corporation before retiring to Nassau Bay, Texas. During World War II he designed a valve for a backpack-mounted flamethrower for the U.S. Army. He was a lifelong Eagle Scout and served as a mentor and tutor to at-risk youth.



Professor emeritus of aeronautical sciences in mechanical engineering **MAURICE HOLT** died last November in Berkeley. He was 90. Born in Wildboardclough, Cheshire, England, Holt was a renowned scholar and educator in fluid dynamics and served as consultant to NASA and the Office of Naval Research. He cofounded the International Conference on Numerical Methods in Fluid Dynamics. An avid traveler, he toured Europe and Russia with his family in a Volkswagen camper.

**JENGYEE LIANG** (B.S.'05 IEOR) died at age 25 last November of complications from lupus. An honor student, she still found time for numerous extracurricular activities, including serving as senator in