



IBM Alumni Club Newsletter



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President's Chat

Name Change

At the Annual Meeting it was voted that effective with the new year, our club will be known as the

IBM Alumni Club.

The goals of our club will not change. It is our hope that individuals who have worked for IBM in the past will join us and revive old friendships. Remember, any person who worked for IBM can become a member of our Club. There is no minimum length of service.

Volunteers Needed

Our club is dedicated to provide Community Service, but our highway clean up, for many years led by Doug and Evie Dean, has disbanded. The club needs to select a new community service. We are open to suggestions. Can you help? If so, contact me at georgewalker@yahoo.com. You can help to chart a new direction for the club.

A word of thanks to all the members who participated in the highway cleanup project but a really loud cheer for Doug and Evie who provided organization to the project with great humor and much panache. Thank you again.

Happy Holidays,
George Walker

Sixteen Local Organizations Supported by IBM Volunteers Receive IVOC Grants in 2015

Hundreds of local IBM employees and alumni give back to the Silicon Valley community by volunteering in schools and community support groups of all sorts. IBM assists these efforts by providing grants to the organizations supported by IBM volunteers. In our community, the IBM Volunteer Outreach Council provides modest (up to \$1500) grants to these organizations, giving more than 130 grants and over \$185,000 since its inception in 2006. Nearly seventy percent of the grants have helped fund programs in K-12 education and human services.

In 2015, IVOC augmented the efforts of more than 50 local IBM volunteers by providing grants totaling \$20,700 to help 16 local organizations. These organizations received grants to support STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics) programs and to provide needed social services. In keeping with our goal to grow the reach of IVOC funds, three of the 16 programs were first-time recipients of IVOC grants. They are listed below.

Good Karma Bikes. They provide vocational training, practical experience, college and career mentoring for emancipated foster children. The organization also provides free and low-cost bicycles and repair services for low-income people. An IVOC grant funded a workstation which supports more than 400 repairs a year.

United Way Silicon Valley. VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance), one of many United Way programs, helps low income citizens to file their tax returns and identify the deductions and credits they are due. An IVOC grant provided additional laptop computers which are used by the volunteers and clients to prepare tax returns.

Santa Clara Valley Science and Engineering Fair Association (SCVSEFA). The IVOC grant covered the cost of training materials that assisted the judges in the performance of their tasks.

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sjqcc.com

IBM Alumni Club Board Meeting

Thursday, December 17, 2015, 10:00 AM
LDS Church
150 Bernal Road
San Jose, CA 95119

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2015, 5:00 pm

2015 Photo Sharing

Contact: Walt Cole, 408-972-1178

This newsletter is intended for use by members of the Club and their families. Contributions are the sole responsibility of the authors and should not be construed to represent an official position of the Club or the IBM Corporation.

Membership Report

Bev Baker

November 19, 2015

Active Members: 1662
Newsletters mailed: 64
Members who read online: 1441

Change of Address

Please send in your new mailing address, your new e-mail address, your new phone number, or a request for on-line newsletters.

By e-mail: membership@ibmsjrc.org

By U. S. Mail: Walt Cole
5868 Pentz Way
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New Members

**Maggie & John Best
Bob Binder
Jerry Marr
Patsy & George Houston
Charles Howard**

In Memoriam

**William Glover
Bill Herrington
Harwood Kolsky
Edwin Lassetre
Robert R. Martin**

To report life-changing events,
and to find answers to benefit
questions, contact:
IBM Employee Services Center

800-796-9876

Sunshine

There is not much to report this month.

If you know of anyone who is under the weather or is facing medical problems and could use a greeting card from the Club, please call me.

Newsletter publication only occurs if the person named agrees to share.

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IBM Club Discounts

Movie passes & See's Candy Discounts

The above items are available at the ticket office at SVL. Everything else the IBM Club offers is available only online.

AMC: gold \$8.25

Regal/United Artists: \$7.00; Cinelux: \$7.25

Century/Cinemark: \$8.00

Payment by check or money order only, made payable to **IBM Club**. No cash. No credit cards.

Ticket Hours:

Wednesdays, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

SVL Lobby (old STL) on Bailey Road

IBM Club Office Contact:

Frank Vitale - 408-927-2106

e-mail: tcsports@us.ibm.com

See other ticket discounts at
www.ibmsjrc.org

Click **IBM CLUB ANYDAY TICKETS**

Discount tickets to many places are online at the IBM Club website:

California Academy of Sciences

Six Flags Discovery Kingdom

Monterey Bay Aquarium

Legoland, Universal Studios

SeaWorld, Disneyland

There is a link on the club web site, "Bay Area IBM Club Discounts," that will get you more directly to the discounts in the above list.

Unfortunately, this link does not currently work, but will soon.



TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Dec 1, 2015	Annual Club Holiday Party		—	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Dec 3, 2015	Christmas at Filoli Home and Gardens		—	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
Dec 8, 2015	PC Club - 2015 Photo Sharing		2	Walt Cole	408-972-1178
Jan 5, 2016	Casino: Thunder Valley	2	6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Feb 4, 2016	Murder Mystery Luncheon Show		6	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
Mar 7-9, 2016	Snow Train to Reno		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Apr 2-14, 2016	Eastern Europe to the Black Sea, <i>cancelled</i>		—	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Apr 29-May 13, 2016	England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales		4	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
May 3, 2016	Casino: Colusa		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
May 12-27, 2016	Sicily, Heart of the Mediterranean		4	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978
May 26, 2016	A Day With Doug McConnell		6	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
July 12, 2016	Casino: Feather Falls		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
July 24-29, 2016	Big Hike: Mammoth Lakes area		8	Bill Desler	408-268-3025
Aug 2-4, 2016	Reno: Hot August Nights		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Aug 28-Sep 4, 2016	Best of Eastern Canada		5	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978
Sep 25-Oct 3, 2016	Mississippi River Cruise		4	Christina Anhorn	831-438-3437
Oct 11, 2016	Casino: Cache Creek		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314

Krazy Kampers

We are a group of retired IBMers belonging to the IBM Camping Club, the Krazy Kampers. The club has been around for over 20 years and we would like to invite other IBM retirees who like camping to learn about and perhaps join us on our fun campouts. There is a campout almost every month in the area.

January 21-24, 2016	Cal Expo RV Park	Rich Haggerty	408-227-4087
Feb 18-21, 2016	Pismo Coast Village	Bruce Reed	408-268-5393
March 17-20, 2016	Marina Dunes	Joe Barcellos	408-776-1533
April 7 - 9, 2016	Paso Robles	Gil Hernandez	408-315-8183
May 12 - 14, 2016	Smithwoods, Felton	Larry Turley	408-629-5371
June 22 - 25, 2016	Jackson Rancheria RV Park	Les Greatbanks	510-234-9271

TAR: Trip Activity Rating

- 1 Limited walking & activity
- 2 Walking limited to facilities within approximately 1 block of the bus or hotel
- 3 Average walking (3 blocks or more) sightseeing in museums and attractions
- 4 Very active walking, may include airport departures, climbing on and off trains and attractions, may involve high altitudes (9000+) and possible weather extremes

Travel Adventures

The Great American Steamboat September 25 - October 3, 2016

The American Queen will bring us down the Mississippi from St. Paul, MN, to St. Louis, MO, during the most beautiful time of the year. Autumn should be ready to show off its vibrant colors and the many shades of foliage.

From Hop-On Hop-Off buses we can comfortably walk right into the different towns to explore their histories, discover interesting places and do some shopping. Great care has been taken to restore beautiful and important buildings—the 1930's Art Deco Theater, the Dubuque Grand Opera House, the Smithsonian-affiliated National Mississippi River Museum and of course, the Dubuque County Jail, where Butch Cassidy once resided. View antique cars at the Dahl Auto Museum, see the friendship and botanical gardens, heritage centers, Native American stores and Historic Nauvoo's Family Living Center and board the Twainland Express for a journey in the spirit of Samuel Clemens. In St. Luke's church, the light is filtered through over 100 Tiffany stained glass windows and in Quad Cities we will be treated to American Roots, music at the River Music Experience.

On our trip from St. Paul, going south to St. Louis, we'll visit Red Wing, La Crosse, Dubuque, Burlington and Hannibal.

This 9-day tour starts at **\$3800** and includes air, transfers to and from airports, luggage handling, hotel in St. Paul, travel insurance, all meals and entertainment aboard ship, free Hop-On Hop-Off bus, complimentary beer and wine for dinner, port taxes, gratuities for dining and cabin steward and more...

For a brochure or for more information, contact **Christina Anhorn**. email: leswede@aol.com; home phone: **831-438-3437**; cell phone: **831-818- 4313**

Exploring England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

April 29 – May 13, 2016

Discover the cultural treasures of Britain and Ireland on this comprehensive journey through England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland. Includes a city tour of London, dining in a British pub, a tour of Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and the changing of the guard. On to Stonehenge with its mysterious formations that date back to the Stone Age. See the elegant city of Bath and visit the 2000 year old Roman Bath Museum. Off across the beautiful Welsh countryside and on to the coastal town of Fishguard, where we'll board a ferry crossing the Irish Sea and arrive in Ireland. Travel to historic Blarney Castle and then on to the Ring of Kerry with its magical scenery. Marvel at the vista of windswept cliffs, rugged mountains, lakes and picturesque villages. We'll venture through the "Golden Vale" en route to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. We ferry back to Holyhead, Wales. We will stop at majestic Caernarfon Castle where The Prince of Wales was crowned. Journey on to Lake Windermere, Ambleside, and Grasmere, crossing into Scotland. Stop at Gretna Green and a guided tour of Edinburgh, Scotland's majestic capital city and Castle (home to the Scottish crown jewels). Take a guided tour of Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence and former home to Mary, Queen of Scots. Back en route to England visit Hadrian's Wall. In York walk the famous "Shambles" and see the magnificent 13th century Minster. On to Coventry and charming Stratford-upon-Avon as we visit Shakespeare's birthplace, and Anne Hathaway's thatched-roofed cottage.

Deposit to hold your seats is \$250 per person. Included -- 20 meals (13 breakfasts, 7 dinners), round trip air from SFO, air taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers, hometown pickup/return, free parking at the secured IBM site on Bailey Road. After October 30, the regular base per person rates are Double \$4949. Single \$5849. Triple \$4899.

Contact: **Sharry and Art Dill** email: arthdill@comcast.net for bro-

Sicily, Heart of the Mediterranean with 2 nights in Rome

May 12 - 27, 2016

Visit the beautiful island of Sicily. We will stay in the lovely cities Taormina, Syracuse, Agrigento, Palermo and Rome. Stroll the markets, visit medieval seaside towns, and take a walk through Corleone, the city made famous in the Godfather novel. We will take an excursion to the Valley of the Temples, see some ancient Greek ruins and the Temple of Concordia, and have lunch with a Sicilian family at their country house. We will have a guided tour of Ortygia, the historical gem of Siracusa where we experience medieval streets, and Baroque structures. In our stay in Taormina, we will visit the city's greatest landmark, the Greco-Roman amphitheater, built in the third century BC. Our tour will take us to towering Mount Etna, Europe's largest active volcano. In Mitogio, we will experience a traditional home-hosted lunch by another Sicilian family. In Rome, after breakfast, we will have a panoramic tour of the city and see a number of landmarks and monuments that depict the history of this beautiful city.

This amazing 15-day tour is priced at **\$4,345** (air Included) per person, double occupancy or single occupancy (yes, no single supplement charge), also includes transportation from San Jose to SFO, air taxes and fees, hotels and 26 meals: 14 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 7 dinners. Brochure available upon request.

Contact: **Bob Martinez 408-778-2978 cell 408-835-3393**, e-mail: bobloves2travel@yahoo.com

Travel Adventures

Tropical Costa Rica

November 7-15, 2015

Exotic wildlife, lush forests, stunning waterfalls, and miles of sandy beaches. Enjoy an all-inclusive beachfront resort, walk the sandy beaches and relax as you watch the sunset. We will visit the Doka coffee estate, travel into the Monteverde Cloud Forest with its 100-foot trees, and take a nature walk. We will visit a vast butterfly garden that has more than 30 species of tropical butterflies. There will be amazing views of a volcano and then we take a cruise on Lake Arenal, Costa Rica's largest and most important lake. We will then check into a typical lodge overlooking the majestic Arenal Volcano. Now on to the remote 20,000 acre nature preserve of Cano Negro, to view its vast indigenous wildlife. There will be small towns for shopping, a visit to a local market and beautiful parks to stroll through.

The cost of this 9-day tour, including air, is only **\$2,399** per person, double occupancy.

This includes round trip air from SFO, hotels, included excursions, transfers, and motor coach transportation from the IBM SVL plant to SFO and back. Also included are 14 meals: 8 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 5 dinners.

The trip brochure is available upon request, hard copy or via email. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or email me.

Bob Martinez, 408-778-2978 home, 408-835-3393 cell, or bobloves2travel@yahoo.com

*The Best of
Eastern Canada*

Niagara Falls and Toronto, Montreal, Quebec City, Ottawa

1000 Lakes region, Niagara-On-The-Lake

August 28 - September 4, 2016

This tour begins in the largest French-speaking city in the world, Montreal. Our city tour takes in Jacques Cartier Square, McGill University, views of Notre Dame and St. Joseph's Oratory, and concludes high atop Mount Royal, with some breathtaking views of the scenery below. Later you can explore the city's famous underground shopping. We now move on to the fabulous Quebec City where we have a sightseeing tour, and that evening enjoy dinner at one of Quebec's fine restaurants. The next day we have breakfast at a local sugar shack in the Quebec countryside. Learn about the traditions of maple syrup making and sample some delicious traditional foods made with maple syrup. We now head for Ottawa, the capital city of Canada. We will visit Byward Market known for fruits, vegetables, flowers, and arts and crafts. While in Ottawa don't forget to try the local specialty pastry, Beavertail, a must. On our way to Toronto, we stop in Rockport to enjoy a memorable cruise of the 1000 Islands region. We end our tour in Toronto, capital of Ontario, where we visit the amazing Niagara Falls and board a ship for an incredible journey under the falls. We will also have some time to visit and shop in the charming town of Niagara-On-The-Lake, a beautiful place to stroll or to take a carriage ride.

This exciting 8 day tour is priced at **\$2,999** per person, double occupancy. Included: hotel, roundtrip airfare, air taxes, hotel transfers and 11 meals: 7 breakfasts and 4 dinners. Brochures available upon request.

Contact me, **Bob Martinez, bobloves2travel@yahoo.com, or phone: 408-778-2978 home, 408-835-3393 cell**



Day Trips

A Day With Doug McConnell

Thursday, May 26, 2016

Don't miss this special opportunity to spend a day with Doug McConnell from Bay Area Backroads and Open Road. Doug will be your guide as you visit Bear Valley at Pt. Reyes. Spend some time at the visitors center and then take an easy walk along what's called the Earthquake Trail that interprets the huge 1906 quake and how it affected that area. For those who can manage a short, paved, uphill stroll, you'll also visit the Morgan Horse barns and interpretive center. Doug will travel aboard the coach sharing facts and personal stories along the way. A picnic lunch from Whole Foods is included.

Escorted tour includes: roundtrip transportation, guided tour, hosted lunch and driver gratuity. All this for **\$86** per person.

These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact

**Bill Souza at (408) 335-9263 (Cell) or
bsouza6280@aol.com**

Murder Mystery Luncheon Show

Thursday, February 4, 2016

Witness a murder by Gibson House Mystery Performers, the most popular mystery theatre troupe in the San Francisco, North Bay, South Bay and East Bay Area. You will laugh, witness a crime, and help solve the mystery... while enjoying a delicious lunch at the Sunol Valley Country Club, Sunol. The fun begins the moment you step into the dining area. You become part of the scene, as colorful characters surround your every move. You are encouraged to play along, as the professional actors are well skilled in using your clue-hunting questions as springboards to present the mystery plot. Be prepared, as a three-course lunch is served between scenes of the mystery, giving you ample opportunity to ask questions and try to solve the crime.

Escorted tour includes: roundtrip transportation via deluxe motor coach, luncheon, show, door prizes and driver gratuity. All this for **\$89** per person.

These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact:

**Bill Souza at (408) 335-9263 (Cell) or
bsouza6280@aol.com**

Bowling

One More Time League

Now at Cambrian Lanes (Camden & Union)

We are getting back a few bowlers who were off recovering from surgeries and we are glad to see them.

We can use a few more bowlers if you want to join us.

First Place Team - *Team 3* - Helen Nakamoto,
Olga Walters, Sam Walters, and Dick Nakamoto.

Second Place Team - *Give Us A Break* - Betty Cobarrubias,
Nancy Barone, Fred Mitchell, and Dan They.

HIGH SCORES

WOMEN

MEN

SCRATCH GAME

236—Faye Fritz

268—Kelley Wood

SCRATCH SERIES

539—Marilyn Bianco

660—Fred Mitchell

HANDICAP GAME

266—Faye Fritz

279—Jim Porter

HANDICAP SERIES

713—Marilyn Bianco

700—Eddie Fahrner

Carol Hughes - secretary 408-224-1739

Casino Trips

All the day trips will be at least a 5 hour stay.

Parking: Capitol Expressway & Hwy 87 Park-n-Ride, South Lot, Section G.

Depart: 7:30 am. Openings exist for all trips. Call today!

January 5, 2016, Thunder Valley Casino

March 7-9, 2016, Snow Train to Reno, the bus takes us to the train, baggage goes by bus, 2 nights at El Dorado hotel in Reno with breakfast buffet each morning.

May 3, 2016, Colusa Casino

July 12, 2016, Feather Falls Casino

August 2-4, 2016, Hot August Nights, Reno

October 11, 2016, Cache Creek Casino

Contact: **Topsy Thompson, 408-377-4314,
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Tee-2-Tee Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

November 5, 2015: Due to some course repair work, we played the same 9 holes twice, for the third time. Here are the results for November:

Low Net:

1 st	Ray Jelesky	51
2 nd	Darrel Jensen	52
3 rd	Don Streicher	54

Closest-to-Pin #8:

Rich Campbell 40' 1"

The next golf dates are Thursdays, December 3 and January 7. Play starts at **10:00 am** sharp. Please be there by **9:30 am** to sign in and get your lunch ticket.

If you wish to play, call or email Bill Bartz or Darrel Jensen and bring your check to the golf course on the day of the tournament.

Make checks payable for **\$26.00** to "Tee-2-Tee Golf."

You will receive a round of golf, a sandwich, a soft drink and maybe prize money!

If it rains, call the Deep Cliff Golf Course to find out if we have canceled, 408-253-5357, extension 5.

More Golfers Needed!

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Darrel Jensen, 408-371-6652, dj-special.use@att.net

Par Tee Golf

Contact: Andy La Scola @ (408) 371-3329 or lascolandy@comcast.net

Spring Valley, November 2 and November 9, 2015. There were no Shots-of-the-Day. There were no good scores. There were no bad scores. There were no scores at all. On November 2, the rains came and the tournament was postponed to November 9, when it rained again. So there are no results to report.

Looking ahead at our schedule:

Date	Course	Cost/Due	Notes
December 7	Los Lagos	\$48.00/November 18	Includes Prize Fund & Cart - 2 Best Ball Foursome
January 4	Coyote Creek-Valley	\$60.00/December 16	Includes Prize Fund & Cart - 2 Best Ball Foursome

Notes:

1. Prices and dates are subject to change. Be sure to check the IBM Alumni Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org for latest "Par Tee Golf" information or call Andy.
2. RENEWALS FOR YOUR 2016 NCGA DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED. The cost to renew is \$42.00 from October 1st to December 25th. After that, the cost is \$52.00.
3. To get an "NCGA" Membership Card" through the Par Tee Golf Club, contact Terry Gray @ (408) 629-8893, or send an email to: tgolf18@aol.com. The cost is \$52.00.
4. Make all checks payable to "Par Tee Golf". Please make your checks for only one tournament at a time. (If you are signing up for two tournaments, send two checks). The mailing address for signups is:

Par Tee Golf P. O. Box 53535 San Jose, CA 95153-0535

Include your GHIN number, and your e-mail address, (if I don't have already have them on file). Indicate which four-some you wish to play with, or I will assign you to one. (Note: If you do not sign up as a foursome, your group may be split up).



Hikes

Big Hike: Mammoth Lakes Area

July 24-29, 2016

The 2016 IBM San Jose Alumni Club Big Hike will be in Mammoth Lakes next year. The Big Hike is 4 days of day hikes, Monday through Thursday, while we stay in a nice motel from Sunday through Thursday nights. There are usually 3 to 4 hike options each day ranging from 1-2 miles up to 8 or 10 miles.

We have reserved 21 rooms at the Best Western High Sierra in Mammoth for July 24 thru 29, 2016. 17 of the rooms have been spoken for. If you would like to join us and reserve a room please let me know ASAP as the rooms are on a first come first served basis. The estimated cost for each hotel room for 5 nights is \$826. Several hikers bring their motor homes and stay at a nearby parking facility. We usually have a wind-up banquet and social gathering on Thursday night.

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Sixteen Local Organizations Supported by IBM Volunteers Receive IVOC Grants in 2015

Programs that have previously received IVOC grants were funded again in 2015. They are:

--Robotics programs at Leland High School and Monte Vista High School that engaged youth in the building and application of robotics. At Aromas Elementary School the IVOC grant was used to purchase printers and tablets to assist teachers in preparing grades and assignments. IVOC supported the YES program of the International Association for Human Values, which focuses on anger management for high school students.

--Project Linus, which provides materials used by IBM volunteers to make blankets for ill or traumatized children in need of the warmth and sense of security that a blanket can provide.

-- South Valley Family YMCA's Y Splash program, which teaches children from low income families basics of water safety.

--San Jose Youth Chamber Orchestra, which offers "side-by-side" concerts featuring professional orchestra players playing with the young musicians of the SJYCO as a learning experience for young musicians.

--IVOC also provided human-services and children's-services assistance through grants to four organizations. Center for Farm Worker Families provides essential clothing and school supplies for the children of Oaxacan farm workers living in Watsonville. Sacred Heart Community Service and Sunnyvale Community Services support students going back to school with backpack programs that provide needed school supplies and new shoes. Center for Employment Training (CET) used their IVOC grant to provide lunch vouchers for people enrolled in their training programs.

--One World Montessori school built a garden for their children to experience growing healthy produce for themselves and their neighbors, and Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society (SCVAS) showed children how to encourage the growth of bird populations by building appropriate houses – both projects supported by IVOC funds.

The IVOC is comprised of 11 current and former IBM employees who review and approve grant requests submitted by IBMers who volunteer at schools and nonprofit organizations (NPO). Each year, volunteers receive the President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) in recognition of their community service. Are you a current or former IBM employee who volunteers for a school or NPO that could benefit from receiving a grant from IVOC? Any volunteer who is registered with the IBM On Demand Community is eligible to apply. Learn more about IVOC and how you can request a grant for your organization. For a complete list of organizations that have received grants, visit the Grants page on the IVOC web site.

IVOC is always interested in welcoming new members to the Council. If you are interested in joining us to further our mission of supporting local schools and NPOs and increasing volunteerism in our community, please contact Doug DeFrees or Barry Eberly for more information.

On the IBM Alumni Club web site in the yellow list at the left of the page there is a link to the (IBM Volunteer Outreach Council), **IVOC** .

There is also a link to the **On Demand Community** where you can log your volunteer hours to become eligible to request an IVOC grant.

Contact: **Bev Baker, 408-354-4850, membership@ibmsjrc.org**