



San Jose IBM Retirement Club Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

Save These Dates

Get your calendar out and mark it for the Holiday Party on **Tuesday, December 8**, 6 PM. The IBM Retirement Club will meet at a new and exciting venue, Mariani's Inn and Restaurant, to bring in the Holiday Season. Chairmen Art and Sharry Dill are hard at work to make this a wonderful evening of great food, music and fun. So mark that date now!

While you have your calendar out, make sure that you have marked the 2009 Annual Meeting, Tuesday, October 13, at 2 PM at the Old Almaden Winery Community Center, 5730 Chambertin Drive, 95118. Carl Guardino, the CEO of Silicon Valley Leadership Group, will speak and take your questions. It will be an interesting meeting.

See you there.

George Walker, President

Adopt-A-Highway

Mad dogs and Englishmen don't go out in the midday sun, but ten really cool litter warriors did on Wednesday, July 15. We were armed with plenty of water and good cheer.

Money was the big news. \$24.46 was found! The tailgate melon cost \$7.00, so we netted \$17.46! If this stimulus package continues we might be able to afford lunch! The dollar bill had the serial numbers 37775 underlined in red and VEGAS written in red under the numerals. The back of the bill had printed in red "Corvette Mike of Texas." Was Mike lucky in Vegas or unlucky in San Jose when he lost the bill on Hwy. 85N?

If your concrete water meter cover ran away from home, it made it to the Blossom Hill VTA parking lot and has been dispatched to litter heaven.

Chuck Jackson adopted a 10mm socket; Caroline Houston found a golf ball for Marge Condensa to take home. Hazardous litter adoption: Doug Dean took a found hypodermic syringe to a Safeway drugstore and they disposed of it.

CSI (crime scene investigation): Caroline came upon an accident scene. The evidence: tire marks off the freeway into a grassy gore, leading to a downed tree and broken water sprinkler, tire tracks leading back on to Hwy. 85N. Sounds like an unplanned detour!

Stats: 7 bags (2,441 to date). Upon returning from the 85N battlefield, our heroes were treated to ice cold melon purchased with our "road kill" money fund.

Schedule: Meet in the VTA parking lot at 8:45 AM on Thursday, August 13, and Wednesday, September 9.

Caller: **Barbara Pugh 265-2466**

Contact: **Doug & Evelyn Dean 264-9502** dougnevie@comcast.net

Wilder Ranch State Park Hike

Friday, August 21, 2009, 10:00 AM

This month we have planned a longer hike (just under 8 miles.) For those of you who would like to visit the park and hike a shorter route, there is an optional "out-and-back" shorter hike that you can do. We will be leading the longer hike.

The longer hike is a loop that takes us over hills and valleys on the park's inland side. You can find a detailed write-up for the hike at the following link: <http://www.bahiker.com/southbayhikes/wilder.html>

The shorter hike will be on the coast side, and is about 2 miles round trip, but according to the park web site you can go farther if you like. The destination for this hike is Old Landing Cove. You can read further about the hike at http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=25126

Directions to the trailhead: From Santa Cruz, head north on the Coast Highway (Highway 1) four miles to the signed turnoff for Wilder Ranch State Park on the ocean side of the highway. Follow the park road to its end at the large parking lot. There you will find restrooms and water. (There may be a fee for parking). We'll meet at the parking lot at 10 AM. Bring lunch and water. The long hikers will eat lunch on the trail.

Contact: **Gil & Julie Feller 247-6769**, jfeller1@ix.netcom.com

September hike: San Francisco Area Hike, Friday, September 11, 2009, 10:00AM. Details to follow in the next newsletter.

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Art Dill

Membership Report

Ed Mueller
July 16, 2009

History

July, 1999: 1701

July, 2008: 2148

July, 2009: 2161 (+3)

Currently reading online: 1329 (+4)

Currently receiving paper copy: 329 (+3)

Currently not doing either: 517 (-4)

Numbers in (); changes since last month

Change of Address

Send new addresses, phone numbers
and requests for on-line newsletters or
requests for mailed paper newsletters
to Ed Mueller:

By e-mail: membership@ibmsjrc.org

By U. S. Mail:

Ed Mueller
1269 Peralta Dr.
San Jose, CA 95120

In Memoriam

James Richard Duley

John M. Godwin

Hiroshi Ito

Linda Legregni

James Byron Muller

William Thomas Prewett

Fred L. Sullivan

Stewart Wellington

To report life-changing events,
and to find answers to benefit
questions, contact:

IBM Employee Services Center

1-800-796-9876

New Members

Dennis Bosworth

Terrance Gray

Paul Heaney

Lori Baker Jones

Mary Ann Jones

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IBM Club Discounts

Movie passes

AMC: silver \$6.25; gold \$7.75

Regal/United Artists: \$6.25

Cinelux: \$6.25 - no restrictions

Century/Cinemark: \$7.25 - no restrictions

See's Candy

Regular price: \$15.60 - IBM Club price:
\$12.25 1 pound gift certificate

Sea World

Gate price: \$65.00 3-9 years: \$55.00

IBM Club price: \$51.00 2-day ticket!

\$45.50 3-9 years

Universal Studios

Gate price: \$69.00, 3 years & up

IBM Club price: \$57.00, 2-day ticket!

Legoland

Gate price: \$77.00, 3-9 years: \$54.00

IBM Club price: \$45.00, 2-day ticket

Discount tickets to other places are avail-
able online at the IBM Club web site:
**Great America, Gilroy Gardens, Raging
Waters, Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk,
6 Flags Discovery Kingdom.** See page 8.

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

IBM Club Office Main Contact:

Frank Vitale - (408) 927-2106

e-mail: tcsports@us.ibm.com

IBM Club Office Alternate Contact:

Valerie Cowing - (408) 927-3059

Ticket Hours: Wednesday:

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SVL Lobby (old STL) on Bailey Road

Sunshine Report

Two of our retirees are recuperating
from falls in their homes. **Pat Baio**
and **Betty Bottoni** are responding to
therapy and hope to leave rehab
soon.

Bill Parry is doing well after recent
health problems.

Sally Nicholls is home recuperating
from surgery.

Rich Mayeda is undergoing medical
treatment and Diane reports he is
doing well.

On behalf of the board, I wish our
retirees complete and quick recover-
ies. Again, please call or e-mail me if
you know of a retiree who is ill.

Terry Milinic'

theresano1@yahoo.com

265-5908

San Jose IBM Retirement Club
web site:

ibmsjrc.org

Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, August 19, 2009, 10:00 AM

Meriwest Credit Union

Chesbro and Blossom Hill Road

IBM PC Club

August 11 General Meeting

Canceled

www.sjpc.org

Contact: Walt Cole, 972-1178

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

| Date | Event | TAR | Page | Contact | Phone |
|--------------------|--|-----|------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Aug 11, 2009 | California Magic Theatre & Luncheon | 2 | – | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| Aug 11, 2009 | PC Club: Meeting, Canceled | | 2 | Walt Cole | 972-1178 |
| Aug 13, 2009 | Adopt-A-Highway | | 1 | Evelyn & Doug Dean | 264-9502 |
| Aug 20, 2009 | IBM Retirement Club Board Meeting | | 2 | George Walker | 268-7623 |
| Aug 21, 2009 | Hike: Wilder Ranch | | 1 | Gil & Julie Feller | 247-6769 |
| Aug 22-Sep 1, 2009 | Ultimate Alaska Cruise | | 4 | Art & Sharry Dill | 831 338-3069 |
| Sep 9, 2009 | Adopt-A-Highway | | 1 | Evelyn & Doug Dean | 264-9502 |
| Sep 10-19, 2009 | France & Bavaria in the Fall | | 4 | Bob Martinez, RonHarlan | 927-1307 |
| Sep 11, 2009 | Hike: San Francisco | | 1 | Gil & Julie Feller | 247-6769 |
| Sep 17, 2009 | Santa Cruz Follies | | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Sep 20-23, 2009 | Golden Nugget, Las Vegas | | 5 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Oct 4-9, 2009 | Monterey Big Hike | | – | Jim & Dottie Riley | 268-5482 |
| Oct 5-6, 2009 | Indian Casino: Red Hawk/Gold Country Sold out | | 5 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Oct 12, 2009 | Bees, Trees and Wine Tasting | 2 | 5 | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| Oct 13, 2009 | IBM Retirement Club Annual Meeting | | 1 | George Walker | 268-7623 |
| Nov 10, 2009 | de Young Museum - Tutankhamun | 2 | 6 | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| Nov 14, 2009 | Golden Gate Fields Horse Racing | | 5 | George Nale | 779 4275 |
| Dec 6, 2009 | Christmas My Way - Sinatra | 2 | – | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| Dec 8, 2009 | Holiday Dinner/Dance | | 1,3 | Art Dill | 831 338-3069 |
| Jan 12, 2010 | Indian Casino: Cache Creek | | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Feb 14, 2010 | Special Valentine's Day Event | | 8 | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| Feb 19-Mar 5, 2010 | India | | 5 | Art & Sharry Dill | 831 338-3069 |
| Mar 7-9, 2010 | Silver Legacy, Reno | | – | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Apr 13, 2010 | Indian Casino: Black Oak | | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| Apr 23, 2010 | Asparagus Festival | | 8 | Bill Souza | 356-6280 |
| May 6-22, 2010 | Panama Canal Cruise | | 4 | Bill Bartz | 971-8928 |
| May 10, 2010 | Into the Wild, Vision Quest Ranch, Salinas | | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |
| May 20-29, 2010 | Oberammergau | | 4 | George & Carole Walker | 268-7623 |
| June 8-14, 2010 | Branson in Springtime | | 5 | Ron & Heidi Harlan Bob Martinez | 266-7639 927-1307 |
| June 15, 2010 | Old Sacramento River Cruise | | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 377-4314 |

*Most sold-out trips have wait lists. Call the trip host to add your name.

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 Trips

France and Bavaria in the Fall September 10-19, 2009

Enjoy three days with us in Paris with dinner in the Eiffel Tower, a romantic Seine River cruise, the Champs-Elysees and Notre Dame. Take the TGV high speed train to Strasbourg in eastern France. We will tour the charming villages on the Alsace wine route.

We will visit Wurzburg, Germany, and the Franconia wine region with its medieval villages, homes and castles. Then on to the Romantic Road and the charming town of Rothenburg. Travel the winding cobblestone streets of the old town and feel history come alive. Next visit the World Heritage city of Bamberg with waterways reminiscent of Venice.

Price per person is ~~\$3899~~, now only **\$3809**, double occupancy. Included:

- Round trip airfare from SFO
- Transfers to and from airports and hotels
- Air taxes, fees, surcharges
- All gratuities and free parking at IBM facility
- Travel insurance plan
- Tour Director
- Eight breakfasts and four dinners

For more information and a brochure, contact:
Ron Harlan, Bob Martinez, (408) 927-1307 or by
e-mail: harry2po@yahoo.com

Limited Tour Space Available! Salzburg Now Included! Oberammergau

May 20 - 29, 2010

The details of the **Imperial Cities Tour**, which includes the famous **Passion Play of Oberammergau**, have been released. The cost is now \$5159, including air. We will tour Budapest, Hungary, enjoy a Hungarian horse show, visit a lovely wine town and enjoy a Renaissance-style dinner. Next stop is beautiful Vienna, Austria, where we tour the lovely city of Gothic spires, quiet parks and memorable music. The evening will be in Grinzing enjoying the wine and music. The next day we will board a river boat for a tour of the Danube and return to Vienna through the Vienna Woods immortalized by Strauss. Our next stop is Prague, Czech Republic, the "Golden City." We will have a city tour and have free time to shop. Salzburg, backdrop for "The Sound of Music," is the last stop before the highlight of the trip, the Passion Play, one of the most powerful shows on earth.

We know that May, 2010, seems long way off, but as we get older it seems time goes faster and who knows who will be around the next time Oberammergau presents the "Passion Play"? Interested? Call George or Carole for a mailed brochure or e-mail them for a soft copy.

Information meeting
Fresh Choice, Almaden and Blossom Hill
Tuesday, August 25, at 10:00 AM. Please join us.

Contact: **George and Carole Walker,**
(408) 268-7623 or e-mail gcwalker95120@yahoo.com

Ultimate Alaska Cruise

August 22 – September 1, 2009

11-day Round Trip from San Francisco

Thrill to awe-inspiring glaciers and snowcapped mountains along Alaska's Inside Passage aboard the luxurious 5-star Sea Princess. Visit five ports including Icy Strait Point (Alaska), Vancouver Island, and Victoria (British Columbia). All meals, entertainment and activities on the ship are included, as well as gratuities for drivers and stevedores, and round trip transfers from San Jose to San Francisco. Dining hours are traditional, or anytime. You'll be picked up at SVL (old STL) on Bailey Road, and driven to San Francisco harbor. You are allowed one suitcase, which will be placed in your stateroom before your arrival.

Inside stateroom: **\$1699** per person, double occupancy. Upgrades are available.

For those who have already signed up, there will be a document party at the

Fresh Choice Restaurant
Almaden Expressway and Blossom Hill Road
August 5, 2009, at 10:00 AM.

Contact: **Art or Sharry Dill** at
ArtHDill@comcast.net or **(831) 338-3069**

Cruise The Panama Canal

May 6-22, 2010

Fly from the Bay Area to Ft Lauderdale, spend the night there, and then board the Sea Princess for the cruise through the Panama Canal and back to San Francisco.

First we'll stop in Aruba and Cartagena (Colombia). Then we'll transit the canal, and stop at Puntarenas (Costa Rica), and Huatul and Acapulco (Mexico) before returning to San Francisco.

The trip includes all bus transfers, air fare and gratuities.

The price of all this is only \$2695 for inside cabins. The next best price for inside cabins is \$2890. A deposit of \$400 will hold a spot. There is an optional insurance premium of \$239. A second payment of \$1000 is due by October 1, 2009, with the balance due by February 1, 2010. Credit cards are accepted! Any reservation made 6 months or more before departure receives a \$25 discount, or \$50 per couple.

For more information and/or forms, call **Bill Bartz,**
(408) 971-8928, or e-mail bartz.bill@yahoo.com

Travel Trips

India - Land of Enchantment Including 3½ Days in Katmandu, the capital of Nepal February 19 - March 5, 2010

Magical, mysterious, fabulous -- all have been said of this fascinating country. Join us as we travel through a blend of the ancient and modern wonders of India. Visit medieval bazaars that exist beside modern cities such as Delhi. We will see the famous Red Fort, the largest monument in India, as well as the Raj Ghat, the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi on the banks of the river Yamuna. Fly from Delhi to Katmandu to explore this famous city, visiting the royal residence and the Temple House of Kumari, which is the house of the living Goddess. We will take excursions to Patan and Swayambhunath. Visit nearby cities of Pashyatinath, Boudnath and Bhadgaon, with the magnificent Himalayas in the background. Fly back to India to continue our exploration of this complex country via boat cruise, train, rickshaw, motor coach and, if you so desire, on elephant back. Thrill to the magnificent Taj Mahal, "a teardrop on the cheek of time." Set butter lamps afloat on the water of the Ganges as evening falls. Thrill to a sound-and-light show set against the backdrop of the famous Khajuraho Temples. We will visit archaeological museums, ancient temples and the colossal Stupa, plus so much more.

INCLUDED: Roundtrip airfare San Francisco to Delhi, airport transfers, all internal flights within India and Nepal. 13 nights at first class hotels, 16 meals including daily breakfast, local guides in each city, all entrances and tours as listed in the brochure, all baggage handling. 15 days for \$3988 per person, double. Single supplement is \$1050.

**TRIP PRESENTATION: Wednesday, August 5, 11:30 AM at Fresh Choice Restaurant,
Almaden Expressway and Blossom Hill Road, San Jose.**

Call or e-mail for brochure:

Art and Sharry Dill, (831) 338-3069, e-mail: arthdill@comcast.net

Red Hawk/Gold Country October 5-6, 2009

The brand new Red Hawk Indian Casino is in the beautiful hills of El Dorado County. After four hours there, we'll move on to Gold Country casino, where we will stay overnight. Price for both casinos and the hotel is only **\$88.00** per person, double occupancy; \$108.00 per person, single occupancy.

Bonuses from both casinos: \$25.00, plus coupons. We leave the next day for home, with a stop in Clements at the Chocoholics Store.

Contact: **Topsy Thompson, (408) 377-4314**
or e-mail: topray4314@att.net

Las Vegas - Fun Tour September 20-23, 2009

We will stay in the downtown Golden Nugget hotel for 3 nights. Day 2 is a free day: gamble, shop or take in some live entertainment. Day 3 we will visit the Ethel M. Chocolate factory for a tour with tasting, tour the Botanical Cactus Garden and finally stop at the Cannery Casino.

Cost: \$275 per person, double occupancy, singles add \$80.

Contact: Topsy Thompson
(408) 377-4314 or e-mail: topray4314@att.net

Branson in Springtime June 8-14, 2010

A seven-day springtime tour to America's entertainment capital. If you enjoy a variety of music....country, pop, R&B, Broadway style revues, comedy and dazzling acrobats....Branson is the place. Springtime in the Ozarks will include a two hour tram ride through Dogwood Canyon Nature Park, a lunch cruise on Lake Taneycomo aboard the new Landing Princess yacht and the gourmet Sunday Brunch at the beautiful Big Cedar Lodge.

Included features: trip insurance, round trip air (San Jose to Kansas City), deluxe motorcoach, six nights accommodations, thirteen hosted meals, admission to eight shows, baggage handling, airport transfers and all gratuities.

Shows include: Twelve Irish Tenors, Broadway/Osmonds, "Noah The Musical," The Platters, Acrobats of China, Jim Stafford and more.

Price per person: \$2195. For more information and a brochure contact **Ron or Heidi Harlan at (408) 266-7639** or **Bob Martinez at (408) 927-1307.**

Day Trip

Horse Racing at Golden Gate Fields November 14, 2009

Are you looking for a day filled with excitement, good food and great thoroughbred racing? All this and more is available from your club house seat at Golden Gate Fields on the edge of San Francisco Bay.

Pick your horse from the tout sheets, or visit the paddock to size them up, place your bet and cheer them home. Win or lose—it is a great day.

The bus leaves for the track at 10:00 AM so that we can catch all the action, including video of races at other tracks. The cost is very reasonable at \$55 per person, a bargain in today's economy.

Call **George or Isobel Nale at (408) 779-4275** for reservations.

Day Trips

There is one new day trip on page 5, and two more on page 8.

2009 Santa Cruz Follies Show & Lunch

Thursday, September 17, 2009

Don't miss this outstanding day trip. Many who went last year have already signed up.

We will have an ocean-front luncheon at the historic Cocoanut Grove and see the 2009 Santa Cruz Follies production, "That's Entertainment."

Price: \$69.00 per person

9:30 AM pick-up: Hwy. 87 & Capitol Expressway Park-N-Ride Sec. G

Arrive at the historic Cocoanut Grove for an 11:00 AM luncheon. Then on to the show!

Contact:

Topsy Thompson

(408) 377-4314 or e-mail: topray4314@att.net

Indian Casino Trips

Cache Creek Indian Casino
Tuesday, January 12, 2010

Price: \$30.00, Bonus: \$10 cash
\$5 food credit

Black Oak Indian Casino
Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Price: \$21, Bonus: \$10 cash

Chukchansi Indian Casino
Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Price: \$27, Bonus: \$20 cash
\$5 food credit

All single-day Indian casino trips will be at least a 5 hour stay.

Parking:

Capitol Expressway and Hwy 87
Park-n-Ride, South Lot, Section G
Depart: 8:00 AM

Contact: **Topsy Thompson**
(408) 377-4314

or e-mail: topray4314@att.net

2009 Holiday Dinner Dance Tuesday, December 8, 6:00 PM Save the Date!

To be held at Mariani's Inn and Restaurant. Watch future newsletters for more information and a sign-up sheet.

Old Town Sacramento Paddlewheeler Luncheon Cruise

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Please join us for a hosted lunch and cruise aboard the **Spirit of Sacramento**.

We will have time to enjoy the historic Old Town Sacramento area.

This wonderful day costs only \$77.00

Call Topsy for a flyer. (408) 377-4314, or topray4314@att.net

Bees, Trees and Wine Tasting Monday, October 12, 2009

Trip Activity Rating - 2

Taking reservations for a second bus.

Travel to **Marshall's Honey Bee Farm**, American Canyon, for a guided tour and honey tasting. The beekeeper, Spencer Marshall, will be your guide. You'll learn about his hand-crafted approach to traditional honey production, and you'll visit the charming country store on the site. Then you'll be treated to a private gourmet picnic in the beautiful tree-covered picnic area on the estate grounds of the **V. Sattui** winery. A winery tour and tasting are included. The marketplace at V. Sattui is not to be missed with a gourmet cheese shop offering over 200 types of cheeses, and wine/cooking gift items. The day will continue with the breathtaking drive to the **Petrified Forest** in Calistoga. Upon arrival enjoy a docent-led meadow walk which will include the history of the Petrified Forest.

Tour includes all gratuities, hosted lunch, & docent tour.

All this for **\$80.00** per person.

These trips fill up fast so don't wait.

For reservation information, contact:

Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or
bsouza6280@aol.com

Vision Quest Ranch

Monday, May 10, 2010

See wild animals now retired from Hollywood— birds, large cats, bears, elephants, alligators and more. Next, enjoy a hosted lunch at Haute Enchilada Art Cafe. Then onto Gizdich Ranch, for hosted pie a la mode.

For this wonderful day, the price is only \$73.00 per person. Won't you join us?

Call Topsy for a flyer: (408) 377-4314

de Young Museum - Tutankhamun Exhibit

Tuesday, November 10, 2009, Trip Activity Rating-2

We are now taking reservations for a second bus

The "Boy King" returns to the de Young Museum. *Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs* is a glorious exhibit of over 130 outstanding works from the tomb of Tutankhamun. You'll also find many new and exciting elements not seen in previous versions of the exhibit. We've arranged for a private docent led tour of this fabulous exhibit! Our visit will also allow for time on your own to explore the museum.

Enjoy a hosted 3-course luncheon at The Van's on the Hill restaurant in Belmont. After lunch we'll visit the San Mateo County Historical Museum, housed within the restored San Mateo County Courthouse, and considered to be one of the best museums in California.

Tour Includes: Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities, Hosted Lunch

All this for \$89.00 per person

For reservation information, contact Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or
bsouza6280@aol.com

Bowling

One More Time League at Club 300, San Jose (behind Oakridge) 2009 Summer League, July 8, 2009

1st Place: Team #1: "Just 4 Fun," Carl & Marian Wisbar,
Sally & Diego Nicholls
2nd Place: Team #11: "Ten + One = Us," Barbara Pugh,
Jim O'Neill, Eddie Fahrner, Faye Fritz

Women

HIGH SERIES SCRATCH
537-Kris Denholm
520-Shirley Beyler
HIGH SERIES HANDICAP
706-Barbara Pugh
702-Beverly Higa
690-Mitzi Stewart
HIGH GAME SCRATCH
213-Kris Denholm
209-Shirley Veal
205-Maria Stout
HIGH GAME HANDICAP
270-Shirley Veal
263-Kris Denholm
262-Marian Wisbar
257-Maria Stout
HIGH AVERAGE
163-Ruth Furlong
161-Kris Denholm
157-Shirley Beyler

Men

630-George Zagelow
622-Bill Jeung
no iBMers
258-George Zagelow
235-Bill Jeung
271-George Zagelow
270-Ernie Veal
197-George Zagelow
182-Bill Jeung

These IBM bowlers are really good! There are some who are not retired IBMers that bowl with us as well. All of us have fun trying to bowl well, whether we succeed or not! Come join us. We bowl every Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM.

Topsy Thompson: 377-4314

Sue Ehrlich: 578-8500 (at the bowling center)

Short 18-Hole Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

July 2, 2009: It was a great day on the golf course. 19 played a round of Individual Golf. Winners were:

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|------------------------|-------------------|----|--|
| Men | Woman | | |
| 1st Dick Gehner- 49 | 1st Clara DePaul- | 67 | |
| 2nd Jim Stonehouse- 50 | 2nd Chris Oba- | 70 | |
| 3rd Ray Jelesky- 56 | | | |
| 4th Neil Keever- 57 | | | |
| Leroy Wallace- 57 | | | |
| Bill Kurtz- 57 | | | |

Closest to Pin #10: Nobody

Congratulations to the men for their low scores. The next golf dates are Thursdays, August 6 and September 3, the Rusty Campbell Tournament. Let's have a good showing for this one.

Play starts **at 10:00 AM, sharp. Please be there by 9:30 AM to sign in and to pick up your lunch coupon from Helen.** Please send your check for \$25 **15 days in advance** of our golf date (or sooner) to:

Helen Wehner
1561 Park Crest Ct.
San Jose, CA 95118

Or call Helen to let her know you'd like to play that day. Sign ups will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. Make your check to the "IBM Retirement Club" and on the memo line write Short 18 Hole Golf. If it rains, call the golf course to find out if we have canceled. Phone 253-5357, extension 5.

Happy golfing, Clara DePaul (294-7041)
DeDe Corral (378-6470) & Helen Wehner (264-6296)

Par Tee Golf - To see the full report, go online and look for "Par Tee Golf"

Boulder Creek, July 13, 2009: This is the third year that we have played the "Scramble" format, and all of the teams were within ten strokes of each other. If it wasn't for the "Runaway" score of Lou, Graham and Patrick, the teams would have been within 4 strokes! There were four teams tied for 2nd place. Using the "Wilson Handicap System" with the Scramble format makes it a very close match! We had 11 teams competing, which consisted of 43 golfers. Here are the results:

Place/Score

| | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1/59 | Lou Tolbert | Graham Kelly | Patrick Arnett | |
| 2/65* | Bill Avery | Mike Kuhn | Gene Levitre | Gil Feller |
| 3/65* | Scott Peterson | Terry Gray | Dennis Niemeyer | Mike Henson |

Team

Closest-To-Pin #5

#7

#11

#14

#18

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| Men | Patrick Arnett 4' 0" | Sam Walters 9' 7" | Dennis Niemeyer 2' 2" | Eric Schrader 8' 11" | Lou Tolbert 1' 0" |
| | John Grewohl 8' 10" | Bob Graves 11' 3" | Al Carlson 13' 9" | Terry Gray 11' 7" | Dick Liu 9' 7" |
| | Mac Mclrvin 13' 2" | Tom Siljander 25' 3" | Len Procker 26' 2" | Mike Henson 21' 6" | Scott Peterson 22' 7" |

Congratulations to all the winners!

Future:
Aug 24 Poppy Hills (Sold Out) \$85.00/July 1 Includes cart-Bob Slater Memorial - Format = individual play
Sep 21 Aptos Seascape \$55.00/Sep 2 Includes cart - Format = 2 best ball foursome
Oct 5 Pajaro Valley \$40.00/Sep 16 Cart optional - Format = 2 best ball foursome
Nov 9 Spring Valley \$65.00/Oct 21 Includes cart - Format = individual play, Salami Shoot
Dec 7 Los Lagos \$48.00/Nov 16 Includes cart - Format = 2 best ball foursome

Notes:
Annual Par Tee membership cost is \$50.00. Contact Don Johnson (408) 997-9452, or maxdonmar@comcast.net, about joining. 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
Contact: Andy La Scola @ (408) 371-3329 or alascola@earthlink.net

More Day Trips

Asparagus Festival

Friday, April 23, 2010

Trip Activity Rating-2

The Stockton Asparagus Festival is a 25-year tradition that is held at the downtown Stockton waterfront. Please join us for this multi-event, food and entertainment festival, which celebrates asparagus. The festival features two performing stages, an Asparagus Alley with the best deep-fried asparagus found anywhere, one of the finest celebrity chef cooking demonstration kitchens, a fabulous "Spear-lts of the Valley" wine and beer pavilion, a craft show, 600 booths, displays and exhibits. A return trip goodie stop will be made at Knudsen's Creamery, Castro Valley.

Includes deluxe motorcoach and all gratuities.

All this for **\$45.00** per person. These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or bsouza6280@aol.com

A Very Special Valentine's Day Event

Sunday, February 14, 2010

Trip Activity Rating-2

J'LaChic Theatre39, conveniently situated at the entrance to Pier 39 on San Francisco's historic Fisherman's Wharf, is presenting a special performance by Pete Escovedo and his orchestra. He is an Emmy-nominated musical director/producer of the four-time Emmy-winning "Wayne Brady Show" and has earned recognition not only as a percussionist, but also as a singer, songwriter, and television personality.

He has been a major force in Latin music since the late 1960's. Prior to the show we will enjoy a hosted group luncheon at Castagnola's, the oldest continuously operating restaurant on Fisherman's Wharf.

Included are a deluxe motorcoach, all gratuities, hosted lunch, and the show.

All this for **\$90.00** per person. These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or bsouza6280@aol.com

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