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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

General Meeting: Thanks to Pat Motta and her team for a very successful meeting. Many thanks to Retirement Club member Charlotte Wilhelm, our guest speaker, who gave us a very interesting and enlightening presentation regarding her experiences and surprises found while searching her family genealogy. She also gave us an appreciation of different cultural activities associated with working with Native Americans. Great job!

Holiday Party: Final Call—Now is the time to get in your reservation if you haven't already done so. Mariani's is the place. Tuesday, December 6, is the date. There will be an additional bartender to reduce the wait time for drinks experienced last year. Send your reservations in now. Use the registration form below on this page

Have a happy and healthy Thanksgiving Holiday!
Bill Souza—President

December IBM Retirement Club Newsletter

To all those who receive a paper copy of this newsletter via the US Mail: Next month's newsletter, the December issue, will not be printed and mailed. If you know members who view the newsletter online, you might ask one of them to print a copy for you.

Adopt-A-Highway

There was no clean up in October and there will be no clean up in November.

Schedule: Meet in the VTA Parking Lot 8:45 AM, Second Thursday, December 8, 2011

Caller: **Barbara Pugh 265-2466, kenosha@juno.com**

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

2011 Holiday Party Dinner Dance

Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Mariani's Inn & Restaurant, 2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

5:00 PM: No host bar serving cocktails, beer and wine – Dinner served at **6:00 PM**

Cost: **\$30.00** per person

Raffle tickets sold at the event - great prizes!

Tables seat 10. If you would like to sit with friends, all parties must list ALL the names. Singles will be seated with other singles if requested. Handicapped facilities are available.

Seating is limited. Get your reservation in soon! First come, first served. No tickets sold at the door.

Reservation Form

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Phone: _____ Singles Table _____

Dinner Selections: ___ Half a Roasted Garlic Herb Chicken ___ Poached Salmon with Lobster Sauce
 ___ Roast Marinade of Tri Tip ___ Vegetarian Choice

Included: French Rolls and Butter, Garden Salad, Chef's Choice of Dessert, Coffee or Tea. Wine available for purchase.

We would like to sit with the following people:

**Make checks payable to the IBM Retirement Club. Mail this form and check to:
Bill Souza, 2251 Coronet Dr., San Jose, CA 95124. (408) 356-6280**

San Jose IBM Retirement Club

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Veal, Ina Havens, Art Dill, George Walker

Membership Report

Ed Mueller

October 20, 2011

History

October, 2001: 1837

October, 2010: 2157

October, 2011: 2151 (+4)

Currently reading online: 1360 (+1)

Currently receiving paper copy: 336 (-5)

Currently not doing either: 501 (+2)

Change of Address

Send your new mailing address, your new e-mail address, your new phone number, or a request for on-line newsletters or a request 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

New Members

None this month

In Memoriam

Beverly Cross
Tsuneo "Sam" Horiguchi
Bill Hotaling
Robert Reif
Marshelle Syverson
Noreen Tighe

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

1-800-796-9876

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IBM Club Discounts

Movie passes

AMC: silver \$6.25; gold \$7.75*

Regal/United Artists: \$6.75

Cinelux: \$6.25*

Century/Cinemark: \$7.50*

Camera Cinemas \$6.30*

* no restrictions

See's Candy

Regular price: \$16.10 - IBM Club price:
\$13.25 1 pound gift certificate

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

IBM Club Office Contact:

Frank Vitale - (408) 927-2106

e-mail: tcsports@us.ibm.com

Ticket Hours:

Wednesdays, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
SVL Lobby (old STL) on Bailey Road

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

Great America

Gilroy Gardens

Raging Waters

California Academy of Sciences

6 Flags Discovery Kingdom

Monterey Bay Aquarium

Computer History Museum

Universal Studios

SeaWorld

Knotts Berry Farm

Disneyland

*There is a new link on
the club web site,
"Bay Area IBM Club Discounts,"
that will get you more directly to the
discounts in the above list.
It is on left side of home page just
above the "After IBM" link*

San Jose IBM Retirement Club
web site:

ibmsjrc.org

Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, November 17, 2011, 10:00 AM
Meriwest Credit Union
Chesbro and Blossom Hill Road

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 2011, 5:00 PM

OpenOffice vs MS Office

New location, see web site!

www.sjpc.org

Contact: Walt Cole, 972-1178

Sunshine Report

I am happy to report **Pete Joachim** is recovering from receiving a pace maker. It's also good news that **Christine Franks'** treatments are going well. She now resides in New Mexico. Two other retirees are also recuperating from surgeries.

Thanks for the calls and e-mails.

On behalf of the board, I send best wishes to all retirees for an enjoyable and healthy retirement.

Terry Milinic'
(408) 265-5908

theresano1@yahoo.com

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Nov 1, 2011	Indian Casino: Chukchansi	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Nov 8, 2011	PC Club – OpenOffice vs MS Office		2	Walt Cole	972-1178
Nov 11, 2011	Hike: Sanborn Park	3	8	Bill or Linda Desler	268-3025
Nov 17, 2011	IBM Retirement Club Board Meeting		2	Bill Souza	356-6280
Dec 4, 2011	Beach Blanket Babylon Holiday Show & Luncheon		–	Bill Souza	356-6280
Dec 4-12, 2011	European Christmas Markets		4	Bob Martinez	778-2978
Dec 6, 2011	Annual Holiday Party		1	Bill Souza	356-6280
Dec 8, 2011	Adopt-A-Highway Clean Up	3	1	Evelyn & Doug Dean	264-9502
Jan 10, 2012	Indian Casino: Cache Creek	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Feb 14, 2012	Golden Girls of Pop Luncheon	2	6	Bill Souza	356-6280
March 4-6, 2012	Reno: Silver Legacy	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
March 16, 2012	A Sea-Glass Adventure	2	6	Bill Souza	356-6280
March 17-30, 2012	Spain and Portugal	2	4	Art Dill	(831) 338-3069
April 3-13, 2012	Mexican Riviera Cruise	2	5	Bud Souza	340-0082
May 7-19, 2012	Italian Vistas	2	5	Bob Martinez	778-2978
May 8, 2012	Indian Casino: Palace	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
May 22, 2012	Annual Club Picnic		–	Bud Souza	340-0082
June 10-18, 2012	The Wonders of Iceland	3	5	George Walker	268-7623
July 10, 2012	Indian Casino: Black Oak	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
July 12, 2012	Belvedere & Tiburon Landmarks	2	6	Bill Souza	356-6280
Sep 7-20, 2012	China, Yangtze River Cruise	3	5	George Walker	268-7623
Sep 9-11, 2012	Indian Casinos:Reno	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Oct 24-Nov 5, 2012	Breathtaking South Africa	4	4	Art Dill	(831) 338-3069
Nov 6, 2012	Indian Casino: Thunder Valley	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314

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

Spain & Portugal

March 17- 30, 2012

Perhaps the petticoats of Portugal or just throwing the bull in Madrid suits your fancy. Either way you will love this tour. You can stroll along tree-lined boulevards of Spain's capital, Madrid. Explore the Church of Santo Tome in Toledo and view the mighty Rock of Gibraltar, unearth centuries of history in the cathedrals, shrines and architecture of Lisbon, Cordoba and Seville. While in Portugal, visit the quaint fishing villages near Lisbon. You will enjoy fascinating history, culture, cuisine, wines and scenery as you travel through the Iberian peninsula in grand style.

Price includes round trip airfare SFO/Madrid and transfers.

Optional one-day tour to Morocco.

Price **\$3395** dbl. \$600 single supplement.

Contact: **Art Dill, (831) 338-3069, arthdill@comcast.net**

Breathtaking South Africa

October 24 – Nov. 5, 2012

a BUCKET LIST must do!

Optional 3 night Victoria Falls Extension

Experience breathtaking mountain scenery, winding coastlines, abundant wild-life, a country with a world of treasures. You will be staying in the famous Kruger National Park, along the Garden Route & the breathtaking Featherbed Nature Reserve, on to the Stellenbosch Mountains and the beautiful wine lands. Delight at the whales in Walker Bay and then on to the wonders of Cape of Good Hope. Visit Cape Town with gorgeous Table Mountain, Victoria and Albert Harbor. The city shows traditions of French, German and Dutch influences and charming coastal scenery. No Euro exchange. US\$ still strong in South Africa.

Trip Highlights:

- Travel the spectacular Drakensburg Mt. Range and Blyde Canyon.
- Kruger National Park –6 Safari Game Drives. Dazzling herds of African wildlife.
- Lake St. Lucia World Heritage Site & lagoon cruise.
- Fly to start of famous Garden Route.
- Stellenbosch Mt.'s and lunch at winery.
- Captivating Cape Town and panoramic tour of this beautiful harbor-side city.
- Cape Point, & penguins at Boulder Beach
- Traditional African dining experience.
- Be a special guest of a prominent Hermanus family for a lobster dinner(if we can catch enough lobster.) These folks know how to party.

Included:

The price of the tour including all airfare is **\$5575** per person double occupancy and includes current taxes and surcharges. Tour limit is 18 persons.

Single Supplement **\$998**. IBM/SFO and all transfers, entrance fees to visits and tours per itinerary, baggage handling, daily breakfast and many other meals.

Optional Victoria Falls extension is **\$930**. pp (double).

Information meeting

*Thursday, November 3, at 10:30 AM,
Fresh Choice, Blossom Hill and Almaden
Refreshments served. Please RSVP.*

Contact: **Art and Sharry Dill** for brochure.

(831) 338-3069 www.arthdill@comcast.net

European Christmas Markets Tour

December 4-12, 2011

Enjoy dazzling Christmas lights and shop for hand-made ornaments, Santa wood carvings, Hummels and cuckoo clocks. What better way to get into the Christmas spirit than to visit Europe's traditional Christmas markets. Treat yourself to delicious German sausage, apple strudel, hot apple cider and the famous spiced wine, called gluhwein. Our tour takes us to Austria, Switzerland, and of course through the amazing Bavarian Alps in Germany. We will stay in the charming mountain-top town of Oberammergau and visit the lovely city of Strasbourg, France. Our journey then goes into the Black Forest region and then on to view the famous Neuschwanstein Castle. The snow-capped Alps give us an amazing backdrop for this wonderful visit to Europe and the Christmas Markets. One of our evenings begins with a private choir concert performed in an 850-year-old church and ends with a traditional Black Forest dinner. One of our stays is in the lovely city of Lucerne, known as the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." We will also visit the Christmas Markets of Innsbruck, Austria and Bern, Switzerland.

This wonderful 9-day holiday tour is priced at **\$2,854** (air included) per person, double occupancy. Included in the price is the cancellation waiver insurance of \$175, air taxes/fees of \$150, hotel, and roundtrip air from San Jose. Also included are 12 meals: 7 breakfasts and 5 dinners. Brochures are available upon request. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Contact: **Bob Martinez, (408) 778-2978, cell (408) 835-3393** or e-mail: **bob.martinez47@yahoo.com**

Travel Trips

Italian Vistas

May 7 - 19, 2012

Visit the beautiful cities of Rome, Venice, Florence, Vietri-Sul-Mare and Stresa. Ride along the breathtaking Amalfi Coast, with views of its spectacular sparkling blue seas. We will visit the ancient Colosseum and Forum in Rome, step back 2000 years in time to the city of Pompeii, see the Bay of Naples and the charming hillside villages. A scenic boat ride takes us to the enchanting Isle of Capri where you can stroll through the town's quaint streets, and past charming cafes. Travel through Tuscany, with its beautiful scenery, colorful countryside and vineyards. Visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa, see the amazing marble sculpture of David, and take in the breathtaking Italian Lakes district of Stresa. We visit Switzerland to the picturesque lakeside resort of Locarno. Just a boat ride away, our farewell dinner will be at the scenic Isola dei Pescatori.

This amazing 13-day tour is priced at **\$4,599** (air included) per person, double occupancy and also includes transportation from San Jose to SFO, air taxes and fees, hotel and 25 meals: 18 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 6 dinners. Brochure available upon request.

Contact: **Bob Martinez (408) 778-2978 cell (408) 835-3393**, e-mail: bob.martinez47@yahoo.com

Mexican Riviera Princess Cruise

April 3-13, 2012

Ports of Call:

- San Francisco
- Catalina Island
- Puerto Vallarta
- Mazatlan
- Cabo San Lucas
- San Diego

Included Cruise Features:

- 10-night Star Princess Cruise
- Roundtrip transfers to/from San Francisco Pier
- All meals and entertainment aboard ship
- Driver & Stevedor Tips
- Port Taxes (\$250.00) per person & Gov't Fees (\$75.00)
- Travel Insurance is included for pre-existing medical conditions.
- One bottle of wine per cabin
- Luggage handling
- No airplane problems...

Get your reservation in early for the best available cabin.

This will fill fast so don't dilly-dally...

Cabin prices start at **\$1685** while they last!

Contact:

Bud Souza, (408) 340-0082 or email: buds2@mindspring.com

The Wonders Of Iceland

June 10-18, 2012

Join George and Carole Walker and discover the dramatic contrasts of the landscape forged by fire and ice. The fascinating history of Iceland dates back to the Vikings yet this island nation has a proud, progressive society. We will see steaming fumaroles, hot springs, spectacular two-tiered waterfalls, go on a glacier cruise and spend time at a Puffin sanctuary. We will visit an Icelandic horse farm and quaint fishing villages. The cost of this trip will be \$3,649, per person, double occupancy, including air, taxes, hotels, most meals, surcharges and transfers.

Information meeting

*Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM,
Fresh Choice, Blossom Hill and Almaden
Refreshments served. Please RSVP.*

For more information, contact
**George Walker (408) 268-7623 or
gcwalker95120@yahoo.com.**

China – Cruising the Yangtze River

September 7-20, 2012

(optional Hong Kong post tour)

Our tour starts in cultural and old traditional Shanghai and includes an amazing acrobatic show. We will savor a Peking Duck dinner, a dumpling meal and see the fascinating process of noodle throwing! We will board a river cruiser to experience four days of cruising the Yangtze River. We will marvel at the natural beauty of the Three Gorges and progress by the Dam and through the five-step ship locks. In Chongqing we will see the pandas and have free time to shop in Guilin. Next stop is Xian, the home of the famous Terra Cotta soldiers. In Beijing we tour the famous sights you have only read about. Our last days will include the Great Wall, the valley of the Ming Dynasty and we will even see the Olympic venues. This trip is \$5,054 per person, double occupancy, and includes air, taxes, surcharges, cancellation insurance, all meals, hotels and transfers.

An optional 3 day guided tour to Hong Kong is available following this. A great way to get your holiday shopping completed!

Information meeting

*Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM,
Fresh Choice, Blossom Hill and Almaden
Refreshments served. Please RSVP.*

George Walker (408) 268-7623 or gcwalker95120@yahoo.com.

IBM Centennial Celebration

Centennial Speaker Events

	Date	Time	Location
"How IBM Watson and related innovations will change the future of Enterprise Content Management" by Craig Rhinehart, Director, ECM Strategy and Market Development IBM Software Solutions Group	Nov 9	3:00 PM	Silicon Valley Lab, (known previously as the Santa Teresa Lab) 555 Bailey Ave SJ K222 Cafeteria

IBM Centennial Book: *IBM Making the World Work Better* - Journalistic exploration of the role our company has played in shaping the modern world is now available through various online booksellers (www.amazon.com or <http://www.barnesandnoble.com>) for about \$20.00.

Day Trips

Golden Girls Of Pop Lunchtime Cabaret

Valentine's Day February 14, 2012

Long-time favorite Marianne Kent sings songs made famous by female pop vocal stars at a lunchtime cabaret show at Castagnola's in San Francisco. From Peggy Lee to Judy Garland, Rosemary Clooney to Doris Day, this is a live cabaret revue with musical nostalgia, remembering some of our favorite female entertainers. There will be free time to browse waterfront shops prior to the performance.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- All this for **\$95** 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

Belvedere & Tiburon Landmarks Day Tour

Thursday, July 12, 2012

Spend the day touring the picturesque waterfront towns of Belvedere and Tiburon with noted historian Gary Holloway as your guide. See the iconic Old St. Hilary's Landmark Carpenter Gothic Church and Wildflower Preserve, China Cabin, the restored Victorian Social Saloon of the SS China (1856) now a fixture on the waterfront and the Railroad and Ferry Depot Museum. We'll take a midday break in Tiburon for lunch at Sam's Anchor Cafe.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- All this for **\$95** 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

Bowling

One More Time 2011/2012 Winter League at "300 San Jose" (behind Oakridge)

Current Results

1st Place: 2 teams are tied:

"ALMOST" and "Marcia's Men"

2nd Place: 6 teams are tied:

"Shame on You", "Pin Topplers",

"Goe-Nak's", "Waiting for Tom",

Team 17 and "Sam's Sweeties"

Individual Achievements

Women

AVERAGE

169-Jan Curry

160-Marilyn Bianco

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES

578-Jan Curry

563-Maria Stout

542-Sandy Suekawa

HIGH SCRATCH GAME

235-Maria Stout

212-Diane Mayeda

210-Shirley Beyler

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES

764-Maria Stout

750-Andi Jackson

729-Diane Mayeda

HIGH HANDICAP GAME

302-Maira Stout

284-Diane Mayeda

266-Andi Jackson

Men

202-Mario Deharo

197-George Zagelow

719- Mario Deharo

624-George Zagelow

255-Mario Deharo

235-George Zagelow

749-Mario Deharo

742-Diego Nicholls

279-Diego Nicholls

272-Ted Head

A Sea-Glass Adventure

Friday, March 16, 2012

We're headed to Watsonville to visit ANNIE-GLASS, which has been recognized by the most prestigious names in the artistic, entertainment and hospitality industries. ANNIEGLASS is sold at luxury retailers such as Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Bloomingdale. We'll see artists at work and have the opportunity to shop for beautiful glassware pieces as well. Midday we'll visit the Davenport Roadhouse Restaurant for a 3-course hosted luncheon. In the afternoon we'll enjoy a guided tour of a working marine laboratory, Seymour Marine Discovery Center, featuring exhibit halls, aquarium, touch tanks, Ocean Discovery Shop, and unsurpassed vistas of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- all this for **\$86** 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

Indian Casino Trips

Chukchansi Casino

Tuesday, November 1, 2011, \$33

Cache Creek Casino

Tuesday, January 10, 2012, \$33

Reno, Silver Legacy

March 4-6, 2012

\$136 per person, single add \$48

Palace Casino

Tuesday, May 8, 2012, \$37

Black Oak Casino

Tuesday, July 10, 2012

Reno Casinos

September 9-11, 2012

Palace Casino

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

All these 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**

How's that for just beginning?

The 2011/2012 Winter League started September 14. We bowl at "300 San Jose," behind Oakridge Mall, on Wednesdays. We start bowling at 9:30 AM. We would love to have you come watch.

Topsy Thompson, Secretary, 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. Here are some of the upcoming events with contact people listed.

November 17-19, 2011	Casa de Fruta	Larry Turley	(408) 629-5371
January 19-21, 2011	Sacramento Cal Expo	Bruce Jones	(707) 673-7100
February 23-25, 2012	Pismo Beach	Mel Rinehart	(408) 225-1677
March 15-17, 2012	Marina Dunes	Don Walker	(408) 779-5961
April 19-21, 2012	Paso Robles	Dale Jelsema	(408) 842-1310
August 9-11, 2012	Bodega Bay	Bill Bartz	(408) 971-8928

Short 18-Hole Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

September 1, 2011: Rusty Campbell Memorial:

Rained out! Golf is like baseball, not football. When the rain comes, the golfers decide to play some other day.

The next golf dates are Thursdays, November 3 and December 1, 2011. 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 (408) 294-7041
DeDe Corral (408) 378-6470
& Helen Wehner (408) 264-6296

Par Tee Golf

Pajaro Valley October 10, 2011 The shot(s)-of-the-day go to Tom Baker, Lou Tolbert, and Kathy La Scola. On hole #6, a 361-yard par four, Tom's tee shot hit a tree and dropped straight down. His second shot hit another large tree and bounced right back to the spot he just hit it from. He then had a long talk with his ball to stop hitting trees. His ball listened! Also, on hole #6, Lou hit his third shot to the left where it bounced off of a tractor shed and landed next to the green. He putted his fourth shot into the cup to save par! On hole #18, a 322-yard par 4, Kathy putted her fourth shot from well off the green and into the cup for par! Interesting and great shots, Tom, Lou, and Kathy! The format of play was "2 Best Ball Foursome." There were 37 golfers. Here are the results:

Place/Score	Team			
1 /122	Mel Rodinsky	Ray Schmitt	Dave Moulton	Dan Jackson
2 /124	Rich Saito	Kevin Fagalde	Ken Ferguson	Ken Leong
3 /128	Terry Gray	Rich Campbell	Dennis Mitchell	Fred Mitchell

Closest-To-Pin	#3	#7	#11	#14
Men	James Taubodo 15' 9"	Dan Jackson 19' 7"	Patrick Arnett 33' 8"	Nestor Delevaux 4' 3"
	Dennis Mitchell 26' 10"	Rich Campbell 21' 6"	John Grewohl 45' 3"	Lou Tolbert 9' 10"
	Ken Leong 29' 3"	Graham Kelly 41' 5"	Tony Scalora 47' 6"	Rich Hislip 18' 0"

It was a tough day at the "office" as there were only five bogey golfers, gross score of 90 or better. They are John Grewohl 77; Graham Kelly 81; Terry Gray 85; Patrick Arnett 88; and Lou Tolbert 89. Congratulations to all the winners!

Future	Course	Cost/Due Date	
November 7	Spring Valley	\$63.00/October 19	Includes cart - Don Johnson Memorial "Sandwich Shoot" Everybody wins!
December 5	Los Lagos	\$48.00/November 16	Includes cart - Format=2 best ball foursome

Notes:

- Check the IBM Retirement Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org for "Par Tee Golf" information, rules and results.
- IBM Retirees and friends are welcome to play in the Par Tee Golf Club Tournaments.
- Renewals for your 2012 NCGA dues are now being accepted. The cost for reinstatement or renewals is \$42.00 from October 1st to December 25th. After that, the cost is \$52.00.
- If you have NEVER had an NCGA Card, you may get one by joining the IBM Retiree Par Tee Golf Club. The cost is \$42.00 from October 1st to December 25th. After that, the cost is \$52.00. Contact **Terry Gray (408) 629-8893 or tgolf18@aol.com**
- Proper golf attire is required at ALL of the courses that we play. That means that "Jeans" or "Levi's" are NOT allowed.
- Early signups are very much appreciated. Please do not wait to the last minute so sign up. You might not get in!
- Make all checks payable to "Par Tee Golf" (not the "IBM Retirement Club"). 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 sign ups is: **Par Tee Golf, P.O. Box 53535, San Jose, CA 95153-0535**
- Include your GHIN number, home phone number, and your e-mail address, if I don't already have them. Indicate which foursome 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).

Contact: Andy La Scola (408) 371-3329 or alascola@earthlink.net

Hikes and Camping

Hike: Sanborn Park

Friday, November 11, 2011, 10:00 AM

We will hike the Skyline trail in the upper regions of Sanborn County Park. However, we will NOT park in the main Sanborn park area. We will start at the Sunnyvale Mountain trailhead off Highway 35 south of Saratoga gap. This is an out and back trail of about 6 miles with a mild, 600 ft. elevation change. There are several options for loops along the trail for the more adventurous. We hike north along Skyline trail parallel to Highway 35 (the highway is not visible from the trail) to Indian Rock where we will have lunch. This is a well-forested trail with Madrone, Tanoak, and Douglas Fir, along with California Bay and Big Leaf Maple.

To reach the trailhead take Highway 9 west out of Saratoga until you reach Highway 35 (6.6mi to Skyline Blvd at Saratoga gap). Turn left (south) for 4.5 miles and park at the Sunnyvale Mountain trailhead on the left. The trailhead is also 1.7 miles north on Highway 35 from Black Road. Carpoolers, meet at the Camden Park & Ride at Highway 85 and Camden at 9:00 AM.

Rain cancels. Contact **Bill or Linda Desler 408-268-3025; desler@pacbell.net**

Letter to the Editor

Volunteer Opportunity

Let's Look at Art, a volunteer outreach program of the San Jose Museum of Art, is currently inviting people who enjoy working with children to join their group. The goal of Let's Look at Art is to introduce children to an appreciation of art and to provide visual arts programs in the schools, many of which have been drastically reduced.

Docents visit classrooms throughout Santa Clara Valley to present an enjoyable interactive art lesson designed to develop students' observation, interpretation and communication skills. Presentation times are flexible and can be arranged to fit the docent's schedule within school hours.

Docent training consists of two mornings per week, held at the museum, Monday and Wednesday from 9 am to noon, beginning January 9th for six weeks. The concentrated training sessions introduce the basics of art appreciation and instruction techniques. Docents also complete ongoing education, such as visiting museum collections and listening to guest speakers.

Be a part of this fun and important work! No art experience is required, and docents enjoy opportunities for personal enrichment through informative lectures and day trips to other museums.

For more information, please email vol4llaa@sjmusart.org or call 408.291.5393.

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