



Silicon Valley IBM Retiree & Alumni Club Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

It's almost PICNIC TIME! Please note the time change on the form below. Come early to meet your friends. It's not too soon to think about taking a trip in 2016. The following international destinations are being offered: British Isles, Peru, Eastern Canada, Spain. Trips within the United States include: Snow Train to Reno, Hot August Nights, and a Mississippi River boat trip. We will continue to hold casino trips every other month. More day trips will fill in as the year progresses. Enjoy the Spring time. Look forward to seeing you at one of the outings.

George Walker, President



Annual Silicon Valley IBM Retiree & Alumni Club Picnic

Tuesday, June 9, 2015, **10:30 AM** - 3:30 PM, Guglielmo Winery
1480 East Main Ave., Morgan Hill
\$24.00 per person

Reservation Deadline: June 3, 2015. No Tickets Will Be Sold At the Event!!

Menu: C. B. Hannegan's BBQ meats, and all the trimmings

Cancellations must be received by June 3, 2015, if you wish a refund!

Directions to Winery: go south on 101 or on Santa Teresa, go east on East Dunne Ave., left at Condit Road, right at East Main Ave. There is free parking across the street in the High School parking lot.

Schedule: The facility is ours for 5 hours

10:30 am - 12:00 pm - Visiting, Drinks, Gift Shop

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm - Lunch

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm - Announcements, Raffle

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm - Games (Bingo and Golf Putting)

This facility does not require setup so we will not have morning coffee or goodies. Sorry.

There will be wine for sale by the bottle or the glass. Their gift shop will be open.

Picnic Reservation Form

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1480 East Main Ave., Morgan Hill

**No tickets will be mailed. You pick them up at the registration table the day of the event.
Don't forget to bring old eyeglasses.**

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Phone: _____ 2nd Guest: _____

Total number of persons who will attend the Picnic ____ X \$24.00 = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Silicon Valley IBM Retiree and Alumni Club,
and write PICNIC in the memo field.

MAIL TO: Bill Souza, 2251 Coronet Dr., San Jose, CA 95124

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ibmsjrc.org

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web site:

sjqcc.com

Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, April 16, 2015, 10:00 AM

LDS Church

150 Bernal Road

San Jose, CA 95119

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2015, 5:00 pm

Windows 10 Preview

Contact: Walt Cole, 408-972-1178

Membership Report

Bev Baker

March 19, 2015

Active Members: 1655

Newsletters mailed:

57 in March (they subscribed)
Members who read online: 1430,
up from 1402 in January

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
San Jose, CA 95123

New Members

Art Choug

In Memoriam

**Cliff B. Akers
Kathleen DiZio
Robert Domenico
Mary Louise Fraser
Claus Grell
Ronald T. Grow
Elizabeth Kilmer
Lucille Genevieve Lewis
Georgia Owens
Carrol Parillo
Ben Reuwsaat
Fred Santillan
John Henry Upland**

To report life-changing events,
and to find answers to benefit
questions, contact:
IBM Employee Services Center
800-796-9876

Sunshine Report

If you know of anyone who could use a
note from the Club, please call me.

Pat Motta 408-264-5821
paelgin@yahoo.com

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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 pay-
able 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.
It is on left side of home page just
above the "After IBM" link*

**IBM Club 2015
Events Calendar**

go to ibmsjrc.org

and click

IBM Club 2015 Events
in yellow left column

Spread the Word

Many ex-IBM employees don't know
about our SV IBM Retiree & Alumni
Club. Some know about the Quarter
Century Club, if they worked for IBM
for 25 years. Many think the two
clubs are one and the same. Wrong.

So if you know such people who
once worked for IBM (it doesn't
matter how long), give them the
web site address and encourage
them to join.

ibmsjrc.org

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

| Date | Activity | TAR | Page | Contact | Phone |
|---------------------|---|-----|------|----------------------|--------------|
| Apr 2, 2015 | Tour of Pleasanton & Livermore | | - | Bill Souza | 408-356-6280 |
| Apr 14, 2015 | PC Club -Windows 10 Preview | 3 | 2 | Walt Cole | 408-972-1178 |
| Apr 16, 2015 | IBM SV Retiree/Alumni Club Board Meeting | | 2 | George Walker | 408 268-7623 |
| Apr 17, 2015 | Hike: Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park | | 8 | Jim and Maya D'Anjou | 408-779-1292 |
| May 1, 2015 | IBM Senior Watson Bowling Tournament | 2 | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 408-377-4314 |
| May 5, 2015 | Indian Casino: Jackson Rancheria | 2 | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 408-377-4314 |
| May 15, 2015 | Hike: The Presidio Experience (San Francisco) | | 8 | Bev Baker | 408-930-3618 |
| May 18-31, 2015 | Japan in Depth - A Spring Tour | 4 | - | Art & Sharry Dill | 831-338-3069 |
| May 21, 2015 | Canepa Autosport Museum & Roaring Camp Railroad | | - | Bill Souza | 408-356-6280 |
| June 9, 2015 | Annual Club Picnic | | 1 | Bill Souza | 408-356-6280 |
| June 16, 2015 | San Pablo Wildlife Preserve | | 6 | Bill Souza | 408-356-6280 |
| July 7, 2015 | Indian Casinos: Red Hawk | 2 | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 408-377-4314 |
| July 20, 2015 | Arion Press and M&H Type, old print shop | | 6 | Bill Souza | 408-356-6280 |
| Aug 5-6, 2015 | Hot August Nights | 2 | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 408-377-4314 |
| Sep 15-29, 2015 | Greece and its Islands | | 5 | Bob Martinez | 408-778-2978 |
| Sep 30-Oct 12, 2015 | Prague & Blue Danube River Cruise | | 4 | Art & Sharry Dill | 831-338-3069 |
| Oct 18-20, 2015 | Reno Getaway | 2 | 6 | Topsy Thompson | 408-377-4314 |
| Nov 7-15, 2015 | Tropical Costa Rica | | 5 | Bob Martinez | 408-778-2978 |
| Apr 29-May 13, 2016 | England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales | 4 | 4 | Art & Sharry Dill | 831-338-3069 |

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. The upcoming 2015 events with contacts are listed at the right.

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|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| April 16-19 | Yanks RV Resort, Greenfield | Ted Head | 408-440-7137 |
| May 7-10 | Smithwoods, Felton | Joe Siliga | 408-723-1382 |
| June 25-27 | Jackson Rancheria | Les Greatbanks | 510-234-9271 |
| Oct 22-25 | Marble Quarry, Columbia | Jim Dack | 408-266-6951 |
| Nov 19-22 | Casa de Fruta | Mel Rinehart | 530-809-4274 |

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

Old World Prague & Blue Danube River Cruise

September 30 - October 12, 2015

This is an opportunity to see and explore what is considered some of Central Europe's most beautiful destinations. Among the unique featured attractions are 3 nights in beautiful Prague with included city tours of such historic capitals as Vienna, Durnstein, Budapest and more. You'll also enjoy free time to explore these unforgettable locales on your own. Prague was the seat of the Holy Roman Empire during the 15th century and later was the vital center of the Habsburgs. It is home to world class museums and architectural masterpieces that span a thousand years. Enjoy UNESCO World Heritage Sites such as the gorgeous medieval town of Cesky Krumlov. We embark our ship in Linz and throughout our river cruise we will hear "Port Talks" that will describe the approaching port area and town. Salzburg, Austria is a charming and medieval city home to Amadeus Mozart and the filming of The Sound of Music. We will explore the Melk Abbey and the breathtaking Wachau Valley, one of the most beautiful sections of the Danube. On to Vienna with its famed concert halls and an optional Musical Vienna Tour. We will then see the famous Spanish Riding School, home of the fabulous Lipizzaner performing horses. On to Slovakia and the city of Bratislava, once the capital of Hungary! So much history and exploration. We will enjoy a home-hosted visit and an opportunity to hear about life after communism. On to Budapest, situated on both sides of the Danube, which is truly one of the most beautiful cities in all of Europe. Buda is on the western bank and Pest is on the eastern bank, joined by the famous Chain Bridge.

All this and only unpack 2 times.

Cabins and this 13-day tour start at **\$4895** pp double, including international air. For a brochure and further information please contact:

Art & Sharry Dill, 831-338-3069, arthdill@comcast.net

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. Join us on a city tour of London which blends the traditional and modern. Dine in a British Pub, and then on to a local guided city tour of Buckingham Palace, The Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and the changing of the guard. You will have plenty of leisure time to further explore as you wish. 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. Join in the festivities at a traditional Irish Night Show. Explore so many more cities and experiences in Ireland before 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 Hathaways's thatch-roofed cottage.

BOOK NOW AND SAVE \$200 PER PERSON -- Double \$4749. Single \$5649. Triple \$4699. Deposit to hold your seats is \$250 per person. Price is good through October 30, 2015 (seat reduction date). 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.

Trip Presentation: Thursday, April 16, 2015, 11:30 AM

Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant

113 Bernal Road, San Jose

Contact: **Sharry and Art Dill** email: **arthdill@comcast.net** for brochure and further questions. **831-338-3069**

Travel Adventure

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 Arena, 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

Exploring Greece and its Islands

September 15-29, 2015

15 amazing days in the beautiful country of Greece

Take in breathtaking scenery and such fascinating sites as Athens, the Acropolis, the ruins of the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace and the Olympic Stadium. Travel the Gulf of Corinth to the historical City of Olympia. We will see ancient artifacts and have a traditional tavern feast while enjoying the local wines in the historic Plaka district. We will sail across the Aegean Sea for two unforgettable island stays in the beautiful whitewashed island cities of Mykonos and Santorini. Here we will have some leisure time for taking in the breathtaking Aegean Sea and enjoying the evening sunsets. Spend time exploring the islands and shopping at the local markets.

The cost of this 15 day trip, including air, is **\$4,899** per person, double occupancy. This includes round trip air from San Francisco, hotels, included excursions, transfers, and motor coach transportation from IBM SVL to SFO. Also included are 22 meals: 13 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 8 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

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Old IBM Cottle Road Plantsite

This is the largest residential complex under construction at the site. There are 3 multi-level parking structures behind all the residential units. Across the street on the right are numerous commercial buildings open for business. The two biggest are Target and Safeway. More construction is progressing.

Day Trips

San Pablo Wildlife Preserve

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

Have you ever wondered what happened along Hwy 37 between Sears Point and Vallejo, lots of construction but no buildings? Why are they building mud flats? Did you know that a major project is underway to re-establish tidal wetlands at the north end of the Bay? 95% of the historical wetlands are gone. We will tour Sears Point Restoration project, Skaggs Island project and Cullinan Ranch Project to better understand this huge undertaking, its benefits and challenges. Our guide will be one of the chief rangers for the project. A picnic lunch is included.

There will be a return trip no-host goodie stop at Knudsen's Ice Creamery, Castro Valley.

Included are a deluxe motor coach and all gratuities -- all for **\$63** 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

Arion Press and M & H Type, A Visit to the Past

Monday, July 20, 2015

This trip will provide an extraordinary opportunity to witness a unique facility, one of the last of its kind in the world, in full operation. Visitors can see how type is cast from hot metal in the foundry, watch pages being made up in the composition room and printed by letterpress, and learn how a book is bound by hand, from sewing to backing to casing in. Some of the historic machinery dates back to the 1915 Panama-Pacific International Exposition. The collection of typefaces is housed in 3,888 typecases, and amongst its many offerings can be found rare samples acquired by the Grabhorn brothers. Trained craftspeople and apprentices will be your tour guides, combining instruction with demonstration. After the tour is over, feel free to browse the upstairs gallery, which features a rotating exhibition of their latest projects.

A hosted lunch is at Pompei's Grotto. The menu includes a choice of grilled white fish, chicken piccata or vegetarian pasta Angelina, a non-alcoholic beverage and the chef's choice of dessert. Free time to explore.

A no host return goodie stop will be made at Rick's Rather Rich Ice Cream.

Included are a deluxe motor coach and all gratuities -- all 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**

Bowling

One More Time League Now at Cambrian Lanes (Camden & Union)

March, 2015

1st place: **Team 14** - Eddie Fahrner, Barbara Pugh, Bill Jeung, Jim O'Neil

2nd place: **Lucky Strikes** - Debbie Lamantia, Bob Lamantia, Lisa Johannes, Yvonne Thery

High Scores:

Men:

Women:

Scratch Game

Rich Gavino 269 Shirley Beyler 246

Scratch Series

Bill Hooper 664 Nancy Barone 551

Handicap Game

Dennis Pitchford 295 Jan Curry 266

Handicap Series

Fred Mitchell 693 Pat Falkowski 691

We will shortly be thinking of the Summer League, so if you would like to bowl this summer just let me know. Come join us at Cambrian Lanes on Wednesdays at 9:30 am.

Do not forget the Watson Trophy Tournament on May 1 this year. We have fun and good food too. See below. Hope to see you there.

Carol Hughes, secretary, 408-224-1739

IBM Senior Watson Bowling Tournament

Friday, May 1, 2015, Cambrian Bowl

Includes: 3 games of bowling and lunch for only \$15

Donuts and coffee to start

Non-bowling guests pay \$10 for lunch

Warm up starts at 9:15 am, Bowling at 9:30 am

Pay Topsy when you sign up.

Make your check payable to "One More Time League"

Casino Trips

Jackson Rancheria Casino
Tuesday, May 5, 2015

Red Hawk Casino
Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Hot August Nights, Reno
August 5-6, 2015

Reno Getaway
October 18-20, 2015

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!

Contact:

Topsy Thompson
408-377-4314,
topray4314@att.net

Tee-2-Tee Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

March 5, 2015: It was another great day for golfing. Low temps and no wind! The fairways and greens are dry and fast, making for some interesting shots.

Low Net:

| | | |
|-----------------|---------------|----|
| 1 st | Chris Oba | 63 |
| | Don Streicher | 63 |
| 2 nd | Armin Kluth | 64 |
| 3 rd | Dave Fitting | 65 |

Low putts:

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------|----|
| 1 st | Jim Stonehouse | 29 |
| | Rich Campbell | 29 |
| 2 nd | Armin Kluth | 33 |
| 3 rd | Dave Fitting | 34 |

Closest-to-Pin #16:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 st | Dave Fitting - 10' 6" |
| 2 nd | Don Streicher - 17' 5" |
| 3 rd | Gwen Campbell - 17' 10" |

As I was talking to the office people to pay for the golfing, it was mentioned that if you're over 90, you get to play for free. **Armin Kluth** qualifies for that honor, so Armin no longer has to pay for golfing at Deep Cliff!

The next golf dates are Thursdays, April 2 and May 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 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!
Bill Bartz, 408-971-8928
bartz.bill@yahoo.com
Darrel Jensen, 408-371-6652

Par Tee Golf

Coyote Creek-Tournament Course March 9, 2015. The Shot-Of-The-Day goes to Terry Gray. On #5, a 115-yard par 3, Terry hit his tee shot within an inch and a half of the cup. Great shot, Terry! That's about as close to a Hole-in-one as you can get! We had a nice turnout of 56 golfers. The format of play was "Two-Best-Ball-Foursome." Here are the results:

Place/Score

| | |
|---------|--------------|
| 1/ 120 | Frank Correa |
| 2/ 122* | Lou Tolbert |
| 3/ 122* | Mel Rodinsky |

* = Tie

Team

| | | |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Larry Villatore | Mike Nunziata | Ram Hays |
| Patrick Arnett | Ray Sanchez | James Taubodo |
| Dave Moulton | AJ Hart | Jorge Gonzalez |

Closest-To-Pin:

| | #2 | #5 | #7 | #14 |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Men | Bob Graves 11' 3" | Terry Gray 1 1/2" | Pat Boyd 5' 1" | Ram Hays 6' 0" |
| | Ryan Kelly 29' 0" | Ray Sanchez 2' 0" | Bill Irish 6' 10" | Peter Duke 9' 1" |
| | Jim Sitter 32' 5" | Mel Rodinsky 4' 0" | Frank Correa 72' 10" | Lew Johnson 9' 8" |
| Ladies | | Kathy La Scola 54' 6" | Rosalie Baylot 27' 5" | |

Future

Course

Cost/Due Date

Notes

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|---------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| April 6 | Laguna Seca | \$40.00/March 18 | Cart Optional-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome |
| May 4 | Spring Valley | \$50.00/April 14 | Cart Included-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome |
| June 1 | Rancho Canada-West | \$40.00/May 21 | Cart Optional-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome |

Notes:

- The monthly golf results and the rules can be seen on the IBM Retirement Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org
The entire 2015 schedule is also there.
- Proper golf attire is required at ALL of the courses that we play. That means "Jeans" or "Levi's" are NOT allowed.
- Renewals for the NCGA for 2015 are now being accepted. Renewals are \$52.00. Contact Terry Gray 408-629-8893, or send an email to: tgolf18@aol.com
- If you have never had an NCGA Membership Card, you may get one by joining the Par Tee Golf Club. Contact **Terry Gray 408-629-8893**, or send an email to: tgolf18@aol.com The cost is **\$52.00**.
- IBM Alumni, Retirees and guests are welcome to play in the Par Tee Golf Club tournaments.
- Prices and dates are subject to change. Be sure to check the newsletter, web site, or call Andy, for latest information.
- Early signups are much appreciated. Please do not wait to the last minute to sign up. You might not get in!
- 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 sign ups 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 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 lascolandy@comcast.net

Hikes

April Hike: Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park

Friday, April 17, 2015, 10:00 AM

This hike will be on Friday, April 17th. With luck we will be greeted with plenty of wildflowers. Great views of southern Santa Clara county are guaranteed. Plan to meet at the Mendoza Ranch entrance. From U.S. Highway 101 in Gilroy, take the Leavesley Road exit. Proceed east on Leavesley Road 2 miles to New Avenue. Proceed north on New Avenue .5 miles to Roop Road. Proceed east on Roop Road 3 miles into the foothills. Turn left into the park where there is a gravel parking lot. The hike will be a loop of with moderate climbing in some places. Bring your lunch. Afterwards, you are invited by the hike hosts for refreshments at their home in Morgan Hill near Lake Anderson. Directions will be provided. Rain cancels! Please reply to our email address if you are coming so that any changes can be addressed or questions answered.

Trip leaders: Jim and Maya D'Anjou, 408-779-1292, jimdanjou@gmail.com

May Hike: The Presidio Experience (San Francisco)

Friday, May 15, 2015, 9:30 AM

Hike the Presidio Promenade to Crissy Field

The Presidio Promenade takes visitors through centuries of history. From its trail head at the Lombard Gate, the trail winds past the Letterman District, once the park's medical center, now the Letterman Digital Arts Complex, where historic and new architecture seamlessly blend. Next door is the Thoreau Center for Sustainability. It meanders into the Main Post, the cultural heart of the park, where the Visitor Center, the Transit Center, restaurants, and other popular destinations greet visitors. Just past San Francisco National Cemetery, the trail passes through the historic Cavalry Stables before heading up to Crissy Field Overlook, where visitors are offered stunning views of the San Francisco skyline, Alcatraz, and Angel Island. The final destination is the Golden Gate Bridge.

Hike Length: 4-5 miles

Meeting Location: Parking Lot east of the Crissy Field Marsh (carpool, if possible)

Trip leader: Bev Baker, 408-930-3618, bjb1950k@gmail.com



Old IBM Cottle Road Plantsite

Building 28 was on the land behind the new high-density residential structure at the right in the photo above. The building on the left is mostly finished and folks are moving in. The road in the photo is Raleigh Road. It intersects with Charlotte Road at the traffic signal. Cottle Road is at next signal at right end of the photo.