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President's Chat

Holiday Dinner Dance, Tuesday, December 5, 2017

Can you believe it? The cost for a club member and his/her guest is \$5.00 cheaper than last year. **Yes, cheaper.** Now I really want to know why you would not come and enjoy a fine meal, tip included, a raffle of gifts hand selected by our very own Sharry Dill, shopper extraordinaire, dancing, camaraderie of former work associates and a no host bar.

See details below for non-member guests, actual cost and dinner selections. **See you there.**

George W. Walker

2017 Holiday Party Dinner Dance Reservation Form

Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 5:00 PM, Mariani's Inn & Restaurant, 2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

5:00 PM: No Host Bar serving cocktails, beer and wine; 6:00 PM: Dinner served; Seating is 10 per table.

Cost: \$30.00 per member and the member's spouse or significant other, \$41.00 per person for non-members.

Raffle tickets sold at the event – Great prizes!

Please provide your email address or phone number to receive a confirmation of your reservation. Please answer Y or N to Club Member. Club members can bring either their spouses or one nonmember each at the club membership price.

Dinner Choices: Half Roasted Garlic Herb **Chicken**, Poached **Salmon** with Lobster Sauce, Roast Marinade of **Tri Tip**, **Pasta Primavera**

Name _____ Dinner Choice: _____ Club Member? _____

Spouse/Guest Name _____ Dinner Choice: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Guest Name: _____ Dinner Choice: _____ Club Member: _____

another Guest Name: _____ Dinner Choice: _____ Club Member: _____

Included are French Rolls and Butter, Garden Salad, Dessert, Coffee or Tea.

Wine is available for purchase. Corkage fee applies if you bring your own wine.

We would like to sit with the following people:

Please make checks payable to the **IBM Alumni Club**. Mail this form and check to: (so it reaches Art by November 28)

Art Dill, 500 Bloom Grade Road, Boulder Creek, CA 95006 phone: 831-338-3069

Sorry, but due to contract stipulations no refund or cancellation can be accepted after November 30.

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**IBM* Alumni Club web site:
ibmsjrc.org**

**San Jose IBM* Quarter
Century Club web site:
sjqcc.org**

**IBM* PC Club Meeting
November 14, 2017, 5:00 pm
Avoiding Identity Theft**

**Contact: Walt Cole, 408-674-1401
opawalt@gmail.com**

Membership Report

Bev Baker

October 19, 2017

Active Members: 1655

Newsletters mailed: 41

Members who read online: 1464

Change of Address

Please send in your new mailing address, your new email 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

In Memoriam

John Bergren

Dottie Hogan

Melanie Paulene Kerns

Evelyn McPherson

Everett Medeiros

Dick Sillan

Jack Stuyvesant

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

IBM Employee Services Center

800-796-9876

IBM Alumni Club* Board Meeting

Thursday, November 16, 2017, 10:00 AM

LDS Church

150 Bernal Road, San Jose, CA 95119

All members are invited.

Driving Instructions: From Bernal turn on Via Del Oro and drive around the church and park in back.

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.

See's Candy \$15 (reg. \$18.50) 1 lb certificate

AMC black tickets: \$10.25 (no restrictions)

Cinelux: \$7.25

Century/Cinemark: \$8.50

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

Online Site for Discounts

<http://bit.ly/2nIsv5M>

This takes you to the

Get Away Today web site.

There is a link on the web site in the yellow left pane.

Sunshine

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 or send an email.

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

**Alan Pintacura 408-997-3211
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TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Nov 7-20, 2017	Italian Vistas: Rome, Venice, Tuscany, etc.		5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Nov 14, 2017, 5pm	IBM PC Club*: Avoiding Identity Theft		2	Walt Cole	408-674-1401
Nov 16, 2017, 10am	IBM Alumni Club* Board Meeting		1	George Walker	408-268-7623
Nov 28, 2017	Casino: Jackson Rancheria		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Dec 4, 2017	Celebrate with Poinsettias, Cheese & Chocolate		2	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Dec 5, 2017	Annual Club Holiday Party		1	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Jan 9, 2018	Casino: Thunder Valley		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Feb 6, 2018	Day Trip: Moss Landing Marine Labs		8	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Mar 4-6, 2018	Casino: Reno Get-a-Way		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Apr 12-25, 2018	Spectacular South Africa		6	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Apr 18-23, 2018	Showtime in Branson		5	Christina Anhorn	831-438-3437
May 1, 2018	Casino: Cache Creek		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
May 7-19, 2018	Kenya Safari Adventure		4	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Jun 4, 2018	Day Trip: Cache Creek Lavender Farm		8	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
July 10, 2018	Casino: Black Oaks		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Aug 7-9, 2018	Hot August Nights, Reno		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Sep 13, 2018	Day Trip: Santa Cruz Follies & Lunch		8	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Sep 23-Oct 6, 2018	Cities of Central and Eastern Europe		4	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Oct 1-15, 2018	Greece and its Islands		5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Oct 2, 2018	Casino: Graton Rancheria		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Oct 4, 2018	Day Trip: High Hill Ranch—Apple farm		8	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Nov 6, 2018	Casino: Red Hawk		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Nov 8, 2018	Day Trip: Beautiful Pacific Grove		8	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Fall, 2020	OBERAMMERGAU		6	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928

Krazy Kampers Trip List is on page 6

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

Explore Greece and its Islands

October 1-15, 2018

Amazing beauty and wonder of The Acropolis, the Temple of Zeus, the incredible city of Athens. Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae and on to Meteora to visit two remote monasteries situated in unique towers of limestone. On to Delphi; visit the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple and ancient theatre and museum. Experience Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. We will have a guided tour across the Gulf of Corinth to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilization. See Mycenae for a guided tour of the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate. Enjoy the seaside resort of Tolo. Take a high speed ferry to the Island of Mykonos and then on to the Island of Santorini and visit the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the Eastern Mediterranean "Minoan Pompeii." Ah, Santorini—imagine whitewashed buildings with blue-capped domes. While on this tour of Greece and its Islands we will see two Byzantine monasteries, Delphi Museum, enjoy traditional Greek music and dance, feast on local food and visit a Greek farm, sample the finest wines during a tour of Santorini and have a cooking and dance class.

Join us, for only **\$4899**. pp double, this includes round trip Air, transfers, and round trip Home Town pick up.

Your refundable deposit of \$500. pp will hold your seat and secure this \$100.00 pp savings.

To RSVP and/or get a brochure contact:

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

Kenya Safari Adventure

May 7 – 19, 2018

An Opportunity to Witness the Greatest Animal Show on Earth—A Once in a Lifetime Experience

From the vast Serengeti Plains to the Champagne-colored hills of Kenya's Maasai Mara, over 1.4 million wildebeest and 200,000 zebra and gazelle, relentlessly tracked by Africa's great predators, migrate in a clockwise fashion over 1800 miles each year in search of greener pastures.

Your Safari Adventure includes home pick up, round trip air fare, 4 & 5 star hotel/resort accommodations for 10 nights, including 28 meals: 10 breakfasts, 9 lunches and 9 dinners.

You get a window seat in a safari vehicle, professional safari guides and luggage handling. Driver/guide gratuity, all applicable taxes and the Visa processing fee included.

Highlights: Full day excursion into the Samburu National Game reserve
Two full days of viewing at MAASAI MARA, Kenya Premier game reserve.
Visit Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Center

Total package: double - **\$4375**, per person; single - **\$4850**. Land only – double - **\$3325**, per person; single - **\$3800**,

For more info and a flyer contact **Bill Bartz, 977 Arnold Way, San Jose, 95128, 408-971-8928, bartz.bill@yahoo.com**

New, lower prices!

Magnificent Cities of Central and Eastern Europe

September 23—October 6, 2018

Your journey starts in Germany's capital city of Berlin. This city dates back to the 13th century. We will visit the site of Check Point Charlie and the remains of the Berlin Wall. Next we travel through Dresden on our way to the historic city of Prague in the Czech Republic. During our stay, we will visit a number of sites including Hradcany Castle, the statue-lined St. Charles Bridge and do a walking tour through the Old Town and see the Astronomical Clock. One evening we will take in a colorful Folklore show. Next is the vibrant city of Vienna, the Musical City. Mozart, Beethoven and Sigmund Freud called Vienna their home. We will visit the lavish Schoenbrunn Castle, the summer retreat of the Habsburg Dynasty. On your leisure time visit the beautiful Sochretorte café and try some Viennese coffee. Our next journey takes us to the lovely city of Budapest, Hungary's capital, located on the lovely Danube River. On the way we travel through the picturesque Hungarian country-side. Our tour now takes us to Poland to the grand city of Krakow. On the way we make a stop in the hidden village of Donovaly, nestled in the low Tatras mountain range of Slovakia. A must visit is the beautiful Krakow market square. We will visit Wawel Castle, a former residence of the Polish kings. We now travel through the Polish countryside on our way to Warsaw, with its Gothic churches and beautiful buildings that were reconstructed after the war. We will do a tour of Historical Warsaw, then take some leisure time to walk this unique, colorful city.

The cost of this 14 **day tour**, including AIR, is only **\$4,399**, double occupancy. This includes round trip air from SFO, hotels, included excursions, transfers, and motor coach transportation from San Jose to SFO and back. Also included are 18 meals: 12 breakfasts & 6 dinners. The trip brochure is available upon request, hard copy or via e mail.

Contact: **Bob Martinez, 408-835-3393 cell, or bobloves2travel@yahoo.com**

Travel Adventures

OBERAMMERGAU – The Fall of 2020

This trip is being advertised now because it sells out quickly!

This is the story of how a plague swept across Europe in the 1600's. In desperation, the town council made a solemn vow that if God would stop the plague, they would present a play depicting the life and suffering of Christ for the duration of their existence. So, it continues every 10 years. The trip includes Geneva, Heidelberg, Worms, Rhineland, plus 7 other stops, then Oberammergau and Munich. I'm starting a list of potential participants. The exact dates and prices have not been announced, but interest is always high.

Bill Bartz, 408-971-8928, bartz.bill@yahoo.com

Spectacular South Africa

April 12 – 25, 2018

See the Big 5: Elephant, Lion, Water Buffalo, Leopard and Rhino

HIGHLIGHTS... .Safari Game Drive to see the Big 5, Kruger National Game Reserve, 4x4 Deep into Forest w/Nature Walk, Lunch with Locals, Apartheid Museum, Working Ostrich Farm, Blyde River Canyon, Lunch w/Giraffes, BOMA Dinner under the Stars, Lots of Wildlife, Lagoon Cruise, Winelands Region, Penguins of Boulders Beach, Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens

We start our journey in Sandton, famous for its rich veins of gold and other valuable minerals. Day two takes us to Apartheid Museum and then a tour of Soweto where we have a lunch with some locals, in a shebeen (house tavern), and hear about life in South Africa. The next day we head to Kruger National Park, largest game reserve in South Africa where we will see lots of wildlife in their natural habitat. We will later pass through Blyde River Canyon, 3rd largest canyon in the world. This evening we experience a Boma dinner under the stars, and sample some local game meat. Next day the adventure takes us on a safari game jeep drive searching for the Big 5, elephant, lion, water buffalo, leopard and rhino. We will then experience a fascinating lunch surrounded by giraffes. The next day we get to enjoy a lagoon cruise, then a ride deep into the forest on a 4x4, then we take a nature walk. Next day we will visit the oldest working ostrich farm in Oudtshoorn. This day we have an outdoor BBQ lunch. En route to Stellenbosch, we will visit the winelands region and that evening enjoy a nice wine-pairing dinner. Next we head to the beautiful harbor city of Cape Town, where we will enjoy a scenic cable car ride, 3000 feet up. While in Cape Town we will visit the penguins of Boulder Beach, then on to explore Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens. We end our tour with an amazing, lovely African dinner.

The cost of this 14-day tour, with air, is **\$4,999** double occupancy. This includes hotel, round trip air from SFO, included excursions, transfers and a coach to and from the San Francisco airport. Also included are 22 meals: 12 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 6 dinners.

Brochures are available. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me,

Contact: **Bob Martinez, 408-835-3393 cell, or bobloves2travel@yahoo.com**

Showtime in Branson

April 18–23, 2018

Fly from San Jose to Kansas City

A six-day tour to America's Entertainment Capital: » Shoji Tabuchi, featuring one of the best supporting casts of musicians, singers and dancers in Branson today; » Tony Award winning Broadway musical, Million Dollar Quartet; » Presley's Family Country Jubilee; » The Texas Tenors use their breathtaking vocals, humor and touch of cowboy charm in an unforgettable show; » Tour the "Sight and Sound Theatre," where epic stories are staged. After the tour, we will see their fabulous production of Samson – a show the whole family will love; » The Duttons, who fill the stage with their expert singing, dancing, and musicianship. We will discover interesting areas not only for entertainment, but how beautiful this area is in the spring. A tour on an open comfortable tram through the Dogwood Canyon with waterfalls, old bridges over streams, up to an open area with bison, elk, deer and Texas Longhorn. There will be a dinner on the Showboat Branson Belle on the lake while enjoying fabulous entertainment. Take a tour to the College of the Ozarks and the surrounding area.

All this: seven fantastic shows, four guided tours, twelve hosted meals, including 4 breakfasts, 1 brunch, 2 lunches and 5 fabulous dinners. The total cost of this fun trip is **\$2530** per person, double occupancy, \$260 single supplement.

This includes step-on guide in Branson, hotel, round trip air, transfers to and from airport and all tips and gratuities.

For a brochure or more information please contact:

Christina Anhorn, 831-438-3437 home, 831-818-4313 cell. Email: leswede@aol.com

Bowling

One More Time League, Morgan Hill Bowl, 650 Tennant Station

The league is doing well with 15 teams of 4 bowlers each. As you can tell, that is an uneven number of teams, so if you want to join us we can sure use you. We have a lot of fun. Some even have an "out to lunch group" after bowling.

Our great bowlers so far are:

Men	High Scratch Game		Women
Dan Terry	278	Bev Ross	244
Rich Gavino	265	Ingrid Baxter	226
	High Scratch Series		
Dan Terry	659	Bev Ross	592
Rich Gavino	654	Ingrid Baxter	583
	High Handicap Game		
Dick Harvey	273	Lanh Hoyle	243
Fred Mitchell	264	Marilyn Bianco	243
	High Handicap Series		
Eddie Fahrner	687	Marilyn Bianco	678
Fred Mitchell	668	Joanne White	658

First Place Team - *Bowlseye*, team 7: Bev Ross, Jesse Cornejo, Ingrid Baxter, and Rick Oliver
 Second Place team *3 Jokers and a Queen*, team 5: Cliff Marks, Maria Stout, Kelly Wood, and Rich Gavino.
 Contact me and come join us.
Carol Hughes, Secretary, 408-224-1739, chughes487@aol.com

Casino Trips

November 28, 2017 Jackson Rancheria Indian Casino

January 9, 2018 Thunder Valley Indian Casino

March 4-6, 2018 Reno Get-a-way

May 1, 2018 Cache Creek Indian Casino

July 10, 2018 Black Oaks Indian Casino

August 7-9, 2018 Hot August Nights, Reno

October 2, 2018 Graton Rancheria Indian Casino

November 6, 2018 Red Hawk Indian Casino

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!*

Contacts: **Topsy Thompson, 408-377-4314, or Sandy Suekawa, 408-316-0731, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com**

Krazy Kampers

We are a group of IBM Alumni 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 Alumni who like camping to learn about and perhaps join us on our fun campouts. There is a campout almost every month in the area.

2017	Nov 16-19	Casa De Fruta	Dale Jelsema	408-842-1310
2018	January 25-28	Cal Expo	Rich Haggerty	408-227-4087
	Feb 22-25	Pismo Coast Village	Bruce Reed	408-268-5393
	March 15-18	Marina Dunes	Mel Rinehart	530-809-4274
	April 5-7	The Vines RV, Paso Robles	Gil Hernandez	408-315-6163
	Sep 27-29	Morro Dunes RV Park	Bruce Reed	408-268-5393
	Oct 18-21	Marble Quarry	Jim Dack	408-266-6951

Tee-2-Tee Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

September 7, 2017: The course was undergoing an 'aeration' process of the greens, so putting was most troublesome. Because of that, only 4 players decided to play.

Results: Low Net:

1st:	Ray Jelesky	60	Closest to the pin:
2nd:	Dick Lake	64	#8 Ray Jelesky
	Bill Bartz	64	#16 Rich Campbell
4th:	Rich Campbell	65	

The next golf dates are Thursdays, December 7 and January 4.

Play starts at **10:00 am** sharp. 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.

Bill Bartz, 408-971-8928, bartz.bill@yahoo.com
Darrel Jensen, 408-371-6652, dj-special.use@att.net

Par Tee Golf

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

Pajaro Valley, October 2, 2017

Unfortunately, no one reported a "Shot-Of-The-Day" for this tournament. We had a turnout of 30 players. The format of play was 2 Best Ball Foursome. Here are the results:

Place/Score	Team			
1 / 123*	Andy La Scola	Kathy La Scola	Darell Bellah	Tom Baker
1 / 123*	Terry Gray	Dennis Niemeyer	Lewis Brady	Ron Fellows
3 / 125	Jim Sitter	Dan Tautges	Dick Liu	Rich Campbell

* = Tie

Closest-To-Pin	#3	#7	#11	#14
Men 1	Greg Seaton	Dave Meier	Tom Squier	
2	Ron Scaglione	Bob Goetze		
3	Bill Irish	Tom Baker		
Ladies	None			

Looking ahead at our schedule:

Date	Course	Cost/Deadline	Notes
November 6	Spring Valley	\$65.00/October 18	Includes prize fund & cart Sandwich Shoot-Individual golf
December 4	Los Lagos	\$48.00/November 15	Includes prize fund & cart 2 Best Ball Foursome

Notes:

-) Please send your checks to play in tournaments early! The P.O. Box is noted below. This will eliminate having to wait in line at the golf course and will allow me to better award prizes! Please, please, please help me out on this!
-) IBM Retirees and friends are welcome to play in the Par Tee Golf Club Tournaments.
-) Check the IBM Alumni Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org for Par Tee Golf information, rules and results.
-) Proper golf attire is required at ALL of the courses that we play. That means "Jeans" or "Levi's" are NOT allowed.
-) **RENEWALS FOR YOUR 2018 NCGA DUES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED.**
The cost to renew is \$45.00 from October 1st to December 25th. After that, the cost is \$55.00.
-) To get a new "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 \$55.00.
-) 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). 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.)

Day Trips

Monday, December 4, 2017, Celebrate the Season with Poinsettias, Cheese & Chocolate

We will visit the Duarte Nursery to see Poinsettias and many other plants; shopping included. Then we go on to Hilmar Cheese for a tour with a deli sandwich buffet; shopping included. Finally, we visit the Ghirardelli factory outlet store for chocolate; shopping included. All this for **\$74** per person. This trip is already pretty full, but call anyway.

Contact: **Topsy Thompson 408-377-4314** or **Sandy Suekawa 408-316-0731**, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 – Moss Landing Marine Laboratories & Phil's Fish Market

We will visit a working Marine Laboratory for a guided tour of the research facility and aquarium featuring preserved specimens and live animals. Observe ongoing experiments in progress. Afterwards, enjoy a hosted luncheon at Phil's Fish Market. All this for **\$85.00** per person. This will fill up fast.

Contact: **Sandy Suekawa 408-316-0731**, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com

Monday, June 4, 2018 — Cache Creek Lavender Farm

Join us for a visit to Cache Creek Lavender Farm and learn about their experience growing lavender and the wonderful handmade lavender products and gifts they create. Then we will continue the day with a hosted lunch at Fenton's Ice Creamery, Vacaville. After lunch we'll visit Morning Sun Herb Farm and stroll the grounds which include full sun gardens, full shade gardens and an extensive collection of fresh herbs. Cost is **\$85.00** per person.

Contact: **Topsy Thompson 408-377-4314** or **Sandy Suekawa 408-316-0731**, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com

Thursday, September 13, 2018 - Santa Cruz Follies & Crow's Nest Luncheon

The show starts with vaudeville and then goes thru 30's 40's up to 60's. There will be a fun spotlight of Elvis Presley and some of his most beloved songs. John Lennon's "Imagine" will add a beautiful segue to of course a thoughtful patriotic ending. The music will be iconic and bring back some wonderful memories. Prior to the show enjoy hosted waterfront dining at the Crow's Nest, Santa Cruz. This trip is **\$111.00** per person - will be fun and will fill up quickly.

Contact: **Sandy Suekawa 408-316-0731**, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com

Thursday, October 4, 2018 – High Hill Ranch - Apple Farm

We're traveling via luxury motor coach to the beautiful High Hill Ranch at Apple Hill in Placerville. We'll arrive to a delicious BBQ chicken lunch served in the Pie House Dining Room. Lunch includes one-fourth chicken (rotisserie style), macaroni salad, dinner roll with butter & honey, fresh pressed apple juice, coffee or hot tea. We'll top off the meal with fresh baked hot apple pie a la mode! The afternoon will include a guided loop tour where we'll learn about the history and development of Apple Hill as the bus winds down a country road filled with beautiful scenery and making stops at local fruit-filled orchards along the way. Fall colors spreading across the countryside will make this a day to remember. Before we head home, time will allow for exploration of High Hill Ranch featuring a craft fair, bakery and a variety of apple goodies to take home. All this for **\$95.00** per person. This is a popular trip and will fill up quickly.

Contact: **Sandy Suekawa 408-316-0731**, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com

Thursday, November 8, 2018 - Beautiful Pacific Grove

We'll enjoy a guided tour of the Pacific Grove History Museum followed by a walk through the Butterfly Sanctuary, the migratory home to the magnificent Monarch Butterfly. Afterward we'll enjoy a hosted lunch at Fandango's Restaurant with a menu that includes Carmel Valley field greens salad, entrée of chicken piccata and dessert of ice cream-filled puff pastry with coffee or tea. This trip is \$106.00 per person. This is a popular trip and will fill up fast.

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