



# IBM\* Alumni Club Newsletter



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## President's Chat

Our **Grand Finale Holiday Party** was on **Tuesday, December 3rd**. It was a wonderful party, with over 180 people attending. Thanks to Art and Sharry Dill for organizing and running this grand finale event.

We are almost to our sunset date, when the IBM Alumni Club will cease to be, January 2020.

Here are a few notes about your club finances: Most of the dues we all paid to join the club have been used to subsidize our social events (ie. Annual Picnic and Holiday Party). Part of the money was used to cover various administrative expenses. Maintaining our web site requires an annual subscription to keep our club's domain name active. In addition there are distribution costs for our newsletter. The cost to maintain an e-mail distribution list is included with our internet service providers package. However there are restrictions on how large these lists can be. Your club has a distribution list of 1400+ requiring a data base subscription to maintain and process our club notifications. Our club's subscription will run out shortly after the final newsletter early next year. Email notices to all club members will come to an end.

Just a reminder, the PC Club will continue to host our website after we formally sunset the club in January 2020. The website will continue to have information about travel and golf activities but the newsletter will no longer be published. The PC club has agreed to fund the costs to keep our web site active for a few more years. Thank you, PC Club!

The Golf and Travel groups will continue as long as the current committee volunteers are willing to host these activities. (Note: the Day Trips will only continue thru 2020). If you wish to stay in the loop for these activities you should contact the activity volunteers below to make sure you are on their personal email distribution lists. The list below will also be available on the web site:

[ibmsjrc.org](http://ibmsjrc.org)

Here are the Travel and Golf contacts.

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Art Dill, Bill Souza

**IBM Alumni Club\* Board Meeting**

**No future meetings  
are planned.**

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

**San Jose IBM\* Quarter  
Century Club web site:**

**qccsj.org**

**IBM\* PC Club Meeting  
Youtube Sharing**

**January 14, 2020**

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

**Membership Report**

**Bev Baker**

**October—November, 2019**

Active Members: 1631

Newsletters mailed: 37

Members who read online: 1458

**Change of Address**

Please send in your new mailing address,  
your new email address, your new phone  
number, or a request for on-line news-  
letters.

By e-mail: [membership@ibmsjrc.org](mailto:membership@ibmsjrc.org)

By U. S. Mail: Walt Cole

5868 Pentz Way, San Jose, CA 95123

**New Members**

**Donna Brown**

**Linda Nystrom**

**In Memoriam**

**George Ahern**

**Paul Andre Albert**

**Neil Bean**

**Helen (Osborne) Brock**

**David Brodsky**

**Bobby Johnson**

**Masao Don Kawashima**

**Diane Larson**

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**Gary Pastre**

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and to find answers to benefit  
questions, contact:

IBM Employee Services Center

**800-796-9876**

**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.

**Alan Pintacura 408-997-3211  
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**IBM Club Discounts**

**Movie passes & See's Candy Discounts**

AMC black tickets: \$10.25

(no restrictions)

Century/Cinemark: \$8.50

Regal Cinemas: \$8.75

See's Candy \$16.00 certificate

(reg. \$20.50)

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

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](mailto:tcsports@us.ibm.com)**

**Online Site for Discounts**

**<http://bit.ly/2nlsv5M>**

This takes you to the

***Get Away Today*** web site.

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



## TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	Page	Contact	Phone
Jan 4, 2020	Computer Classes for Adults Registration	3	Walt Cole	408-674-1401
Jan 7, 2020	Harrah's Northern CA. Indian Casino <i>(Sold out)</i>	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Jan 14, 2020	IBM PC Club—YouTube Sharing	2	Walt Cole	408-674-1401
Feb 12-19, 2020	Iceland's Magical Northern Lights	6	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Feb 13, 2020	Bay Area Military History Tour - Gary Holloway	7	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Mar 3, 2020	Graton Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Mar 20-27, 2020	Southern Sights and Southern Nights	4	Christina Anhorn	831-438-3437
Apr 10-27, 2020	Magical China	6	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Apr 21, 2020	San Juan Bautista Tour	7	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
May 3-5, 2020	Reno: Circus Circus, Pepper Mills, Atlantis	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
May 19, 2020	Big Sur with Gael Gallagher	7	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
July 7, 2020	Table Mountain Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Aug 2-7, 2020	Big Hike—Mammoth	—	Bill Desler	408-268-3025
Sep 1, 2020	Cache Creek Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Sep 16–28, 2020	OBERAMMERGAU Passion Play, Switzerland, Alpine countries	5	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Oct 17-29, 2020	Portugal and its islands: the Azores	5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Nov 3, 2020	Red Hawk Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314

### Computer Classes for Adults at Almaden and at Willows

Registration for computer and smartphone classes at both these locations will be on Saturday, January 4. Registration takes place after January 4, as well, until classes are full. The classes start on January 21. There are websites for both locations below, but if you are beginner, call Walt Cole (408-674-1401) for more information.

Almaden: 6445 Camden Ave., San Jose, CA, [almadencca.org](http://almadencca.org)

Willows: 2175 Lincoln Avenue, San Jose, CA [willowscca.org](http://willowscca.org)

#### 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.

#### 2020

Jan 23 - 26	Cal Expo Sacramento	Rich Haggerty	408-227-4087
Feb 26 - Mar 1	Pismo Coast Village	Bruce Reed	408-268-5393
Mar 26-29	Napa Valley RV Park	Bruce Reed	408-833-4571
Apr 10 - May 1	Wine Country	Gil Hernandez	408-315-6163
May 28 - 31	Jackson Rancheria	Larry Turley	408-629-5371
Sept. 24 - 27	Sugar Barge	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Oct. 15 - 18	Flag City RV Lodi	Ted Head	408-440-7137

## Casino Trips

**January 7, 2020:** Harrah's Northern California Indian Casino **(Sold out)**

**March 3, 2020:** Graton Indian Casino

**May 3-5, 2020:** Reno: Circus Circus, Pepper Mills, Atlantis

**July 7, 2020:** Table Mountain Indian Casino

**September 1, 2020:** Cache Creek Indian Casino

**November 3, 2020:** Red Hawk Indian Casino

Casino day trips are at least a 5-hour stay; bring your ID so you may collect the Casino Bonus.

These trips are open to anyone - 21 years and older - ask your friends, neighbors, relatives. The trips are fun. On the bus we have refreshments, play games and show movies. Best of all—you don't have to drive! We have great, skillful bus drivers.

These trips are for you—we do need your participation. If we don't get enough people, trips may be cancelled. Won't you please join us?

Parking: Capitol Expressway & Hwy 87 Park-n-Ride, South Lot, Section G. Depart: 7:30 am

Contact: **Topsy Thompson, 408-377-4314,**

**Sandy Suekawa, 408-225-5629 or sandysuekawa@yahoo.com**

## Travel Adventures

### Southern Sights and Southern Nights

March 20 - 27, 2020

*A magnificent Southern springtime coastal experience*

*Hospitality, history, moss draped oaks,*

*antebellum homes and plantations will fill our eight days in the South*

An eight day tour with a full time tour manager featuring the lovely, historic southern cities of Savannah and Jekyll Island, Georgia and Myrtle Beach, Beaufort and Charleston, South Carolina.

As we arrive we have ocean view rooms right at the beach and time to enjoy The Barefoot Landing on the Scenic Intra-coastal Waterway with its unique and varied waterfront shopping and breathe in the ocean breeze of the Atlantic.

We will be guided through the Battery and Citadel in Charleston, stay in historic district and tour the Tea Plantation and the Magnolia Plantation.

We will visit the Drayton home, occupied by Draytons for three centuries. Then, onward to the low country, moss draped oaks, antebellum mansions, breathtaking views and fresh seafood. One evening we will enjoy a visit to Lady and Sons, Paula Deen's down home buffet of Southern favorites.

Visit Juliette Gordon Low birthplace, then a riverboat tour on Savannah River and see the city from a unique perspective. The last night is at Jekyll Island Club Resort, once a getaway for the elite; it is a National Historic Landmark District, a riverfront compound.

Tour Price **\$3670** per person, double occupancy, \$750 single supplement

Included Tour Features:

- Deluxe motor coach throughout; airfare from Bay Area to South Carolina, with return from Florida; full time tour manager throughout; seven nights deluxe accommodations.
- 2 nights Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. 2 nights Charleston, South Carolina. 2 nights Savannah, Georgia. 1 night Jekyll Island, South Carolina; 7 breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 7 dinners AND 3 live stage shows.
- All touring as outlined in the itinerary; baggage handling for one piece of luggage; driver and guide tips.

Contact: **Christina Anhorn leswede@aol.com 831-438-3437**

# Travel Adventures

## Portugal and its islands: the Azores – how romantic is that!!

October 17 – 29, 2020 (13 days)

Begin this amazing trip in Lisbon, Portugal with its medieval towns and coastal villages, regional wines and cuisine and folkloric entertainment. Immerse in the UNESCO World Heritage sites: Jeronimo's Monastery, Monument to the Discoveries and the impressive Tower of Belem, plus the town of Sintra, the summer residence of Portuguese kings for 6 centuries. Continue to Portugal's Riviera with visits to Cascais and Estoril and indulge in Portuguese cuisine and wine while local artists perform the traditional Fado. Travel to the Silver Coast of sleepy villages of white washed houses and vineyards guarded by hill top castles. Then fly off to the Azores, the incredible archipelago with its year-round springtime temperatures. The Azores are the ultimate islands with soaring mountains, and rich valleys and lakes resting in ancient craters, hot springs, fumaroles and thermal fountains. First is St. Michaels, where you can stroll through Terra Nostra Botanical Park and a wonderful pineapple plantation. Have lunch stewed in the heat of the volcanic earth. Explore a tea plantation and then choose to take an optional tour to swim with the dolphins or take a whale and dolphin watching boat trip. Or just kayak and hike around Sete Cidades. There will be an interactive cooking demonstration and we will finish the evening with an incredible dinner. Then journey on to the twin lakes of the Seven Cities nestled inside a volcanic crater -- one lake Blue, reflecting the sky, and the other lake Green, reflecting the ground. See the famous waterfalls of Ribeira dos Caldeiros. Visit a family owned liqueur shop to taste the local liqueurs. We then fly to Medeira. Enjoy subtropical climate, majestic mountains and volcanic caves. See a 15th century cathedral and Colonial mansions. Entertainment of folk dancers and music with dinner cooked over an open fire. On our visit to Camara de Lobos we will pass banana plantations and vineyards with a stop in Sao Vicente with dramatic views of the coast. Take some free time for a swim in the natural volcanic pools of the quaint fishing village of Porto Moniz. With yet another visit to the charming towns of Camacha and Pico do Arieiro and a visit to a family owned embroidery shop and sample some Madeira wine. Conclude our marvelous trip with a flight back to the energy of Lisbon to bid farewell to Portugal with a farewell dinner.

This is a Leisure Stay tour; un-pack only 3 times the whole trip! Book now and save \$100.00 per person: Double **\$4699**, Single **\$5,499**, Triple \$4669.00

Includes: R/T air from SFO, Air taxes, Fees, Surcharges, Hotel + Transfers. 18 meals. Home Town pickup.

This is a first come first serve tour. Your deposit of \$500.00 pp will hold your seat.

**Contact: Sharry and Art Dill, arthdill@comcast.net for brochures and Trip Presentation information.  
(831) 338-3069 home (408) 828-9845 cell number - Text messages always welcome.**

**ONCE every 10 YEARS**

## OBERAMMERGAU – 'PASSION PLAY' w/SWITZERLAND and the Alpine Countries tour

September 16 -28, 2020

**FEATURING: Lucern, Zermatt, Salzburg, Vienna, Black Forest, Danube River Cruise**

We start our tour in Vienna to visit the Schoenbrunn Palace and the impressive St. Stephens Cathedral. We will take a picturesque cruise down the Danube and visit the Milk Abbey. We then continue to Salzburg to enjoy an amazing Mozart dinner concert at the centuries-old St. Peters Restaurant. We stop in Munich where we visit the town square and see the world-famous Glockenspiel. Later we arrive in the quaint village of Oberammergau. The next day we witness the famous Passion Play that dates back to 1643 and is performed every 10 years. The next day our journey takes us to King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein Castle. Our overnight stay is in the Black Forest, known for artists who create authentic cuckoo clocks, Hummels and wood carvings. We will visit the most photographed castle in the world, Chateau de Chillon, located on the lovely Lake Geneva. We will take a train through the Alps to Zermatt, and then continue on through the Grimsel Pass as we head for the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," Lucerne. There you will have time to shop, take pictures, walk the famous bridge and visit Lucerne's old town.

The cost of this 13 day tour, including AIR, is **\$6,999**, double occupancy. This includes round trip air from SFO, hotels, included excursions, transfers, entrance to the Passion Play, and motor coach transportation to SFO and back. Also included are 19 meals: 11 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 7 dinners. I have only 30 seats available on this tour.

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



# Travel Adventures

## Iceland's Magic Northern Lights

February, 12 - 19, 2020

**HIGHLIGHTS:** *Reykjavik, Northern Lights Cruise, Golden Circle, Blue Lagoon  
Vatnajokull Glacier, Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon, Gullfoss Waterfall, Vik*

Iceland, the land of steaming lava fields, massive glaciers and thundering waterfalls. We start in Reykjavik, Iceland's capital city. We visit old town, the harbor and then after dinner, off to a Northern Lights cruise to see one of nature's wonders, the aurora borealis. Next day we travel the incredible Golden Circle in route to Vik. On our way we visit Thingvellir National Park, a Unesco World Heritage site. Then we stop at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur. We will also see the beauty of Gullfoss waterfall. The next day we take a drive to the mesmerizing Seljalandsfoss, to see the Skogafoss waterfalls, one of the largest in Iceland. Then on to see Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt formations. See the unique natural rock formations at Dyrholaey. Today we travel to Jokulsarlon Glacial Lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Travel to Skaftafell, gateway to Vatnajokull National Park, the largest national park in Europe. Vatnajokull is known for having Iceland's highest mountains and the Vatnajokull glacier, Europe's largest. Tonight we will again search for the Northern Lights. Today we drive along the south shore towards Reykjanes Peninsula, stopping at the Lava Exhibition Center to learn about Iceland's historic eruptions and current lava flow. We then visit the Blue Lagoon hot springs. Take a dip in the warm rich mineral waters of the geothermal pool located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. We then return to Reykjavik for our farewell dinner and another chance to see the Northern Lights. Our last day in Reykjavik is for resting, shopping and seeing the old town. Tomorrow we head for home and leave this amazing, beautiful landscape.

The cost of this fabulous 8 day tour is **\$4,129** which includes hotel, air, air taxes, included tours, transfers and our roundtrip flight out of SFO. Also included are 11 meals: 6 breakfasts, and 5 dinners. The tour brochure is available upon request, hard copy or via email. Brochures will also be available at the Information meeting. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call.

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

## WOW!, new negotiated cost for Magical China, a Wondrous Adventure

*Experience the mysteries of this ancient culture and immerse yourself in this amazing breathtaking country*

**April 10—April 27, 2020, 17 days**

Fly first to Beijing and spend two nights exploring the Forbidden City, the imperial palace for China from the Ming Dynasty for a period of 500 years, climb the Great Wall of China and explore the Summer Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Stroll through iconic Tiananmen Square. Next day take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the traditional alleys of Beijing. Drive past the Olympic Village and enjoy our Welcoming Peking Duck Dinner.

The following day we will fly to Shanghai and then transfer to Suzhou where you have the option to take a boat ride on the Grand Canal. We will visit the Lingerling Gardens, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. On to Hangzhou for our included leisurely boat ride on West Lake with its willow draped island and stop at the Longjing Green Tea Village. Drive back to central Shanghai where we will explore the "Bund" which runs along the Huangpu River. We will explore Shanghai's Old Town. The following day we take the world famous bullet train from the East Coast to Yichang to board our ship for a 4 night cruise up the Yangtze River. Begin your day with a tai chi lesson as we sail the dramatic Xiling Gorge, the longest section of the Three Gorges. Discover the state-of-the-art site: the Three Gorges Dam. Next day we will enjoy a remote ride in Pea Boats up the Shennv Stream. Return to our ship as we sail the Wu Gorge with its 12 forest-covered peaks. On to the dramatic cliffs that surround the Qutang Gorge. We will arrive at Shibaozhai (Precious Stone Fortress) with its 9 story red pagoda, at the top a picture perfect view of the river and surrounding countryside. Disembark in the mountain city of Chongqing and take a bullet train to Guilin. Visit the Elephant Trunk Hill, symbol of Guilin. The teahouse culture and leisurely lifestyle make this city so captivating. Enjoy 4 hour leisure lunch cruise down the Lijiang River to Yangshuo. The next day in Guilin we will visit the Reed Flute Cave and famous freshwater pearl exhibition. On to the airport to fly to Xian, home of the 8000 Terra Cotta Soldiers and horses, the "Eighth Wonder of the World." Visit this amazing site and then a visit to the Small Wild Goose Pagoda of the Tang Dynasty. We will stroll the Ancient City Wall of Xian constructed in 1370. After breakfast the next day our amazing journey comes to end and we fly home.

Estimate pricing for the basic 17 day tour should be around **\$2988**, double occupancy. Included is international air from SFO, 2 internal flights, 2 legs of bullet train. 15 nights accommodations in 4 star hotels and our 4 night cruise based on double occupancy. Daily American buffet breakfast and other meals as listed in brochure. Entrance to sightseeing spots listed, sightseeing air-conditioned bus and driver service, taxes and fuel surcharges.

Exclusions: Trip insurance cost about \$398.00 pp, China visa—\$169.00 pp, any chosen optional programs, tour guide tips.

Please contact us NOW with your interest as we only have 20 seats available for this amazing trip. We will be happy to send you the online brochure and/or mail you a hard copy.

**Sharry and Art Dill (831) 338-3069 or email: arthdill@comcast.net**

## Bowling

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

Our Summer League concluded with the roll-off for the League Championship on 08/21 between Team #11 - Not Yet (Bill Hooper, Dennis Pitchford, Rex Krivanek, Randy Palermo) and Team #5 – 4 Blind Mice (Fred Mitchell, Tom Higa, Rick Oliver, Rich Gavino). Team “Not Yet” was the better team on that day by winning with a total score of 2081 to 1941. Team #10 – Ladies Only (Shirley Beyler, Merla Rogers, Vivian Karpel, Sandy Suekawa) snuck in for 2<sup>nd</sup> Place.

Our Winter League started on September 11. We have 15 teams with one blind team that we plan to fill. This is a 4-person team league that bowls at Morgan Hill Bowl on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM. If you are interested in joining this fun, friendly and competitive league, please contact

**Rich Gavino**, Secretary/Treasurer, call or text at **408-307-3444** or email at [rngavin@gmail.com](mailto:rngavin@gmail.com).

## Day Trips

### Bay Area Military History Tour with Gary Holloway - Thursday, February 13, 2020

Gary Holloway will give the group on a multi-faceted tour examining new uses for military bases of the Bay Area. Visit the Nike Missile Site on Marin Headlands, Fort Baker, and enjoy a beautiful drive through the San Francisco Presidio. Included is a hosted 5-course lunch at the Job Corps. Culinary Fine Dining Academy located on Treasure Island in the heart of the San Francisco Bay.

Cost of \$98 per person will include: escorted tour, roundtrip transportation via deluxe motor coach, hosted lunch, and driver gratuity. Come join us – reservations are being accepted!

### San Juan Bautista Tour - Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Enjoy a day out in the beautiful town of San Juan Bautista. Established in the 1800 by the Spaniards, it became a vital supply center for travel between northern and southern California. The town grew around the Mission founded in 1797, expanding rapidly during the California Gold Rush. This was the setting for the 1958 Alfred Hitchcock film Vertigo. The group will have a buffet lunch at Dona Esther's Restaurant offering Mexican cuisine and beautiful gardens.

The day will include a private docent tour of the San Juan Bautista State Historic Park and Mission. The Park has several adobe structures facing a Spanish-era plaza, with recreated interior spaces. The adjacent Mission was founded by the Franciscan Order, the largest of the 21 missions in California and the only one still in use today as a parish. By 1803, over a thousand Native Americans lived at the Mission.

Our return trip will include a hosted fresh-baked pie a la mode stop at Gizdich Ranch.

Tour includes: roundtrip transportation via deluxe motor coach, guided tour, hosted lunch, hosted dessert, and driver gratuity. All this for **\$89** per person. Spend the day with us –seats will go quickly!

### Big Sur with Gael Gallagher – Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Join us to travel along a magnificent segment of the California Coastline stretched from crest of Santa Lucia Mountains to the mesmerizing Pacific Ocean with Naturalist, Gael Gallagher. Tour highlights include a stop at Hurricane Point and Rainbow Bridge. Gael is sure to delight you with her intense passion for sharing the area and captivating commentary. A hosted lunch at River Inn offering outstanding food and scenery is included.

Cost of **\$120** per person will include: escorted tour, roundtrip transportation via deluxe motor coach, hosted lunch and driver gratuity. Enjoy the day with us and Gael.

Contact for all above trips: **Sandy Suekawa at cell (408) 316-0731 or at [sandysuekawa@yahoo.com](mailto:sandysuekawa@yahoo.com)**

# Par Tee Golf

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

**Pajaro Valley, October 7, 2019.** The Shot-of-the-Day goes to Ray Jelesky. On #17 Ray chipped in a nice shot from 40 yards into the cup! Nice shot, Ray! It was a beautiful day to be out on a golf course and we are very thankful for that! We had a turnout of 32 players. The format of play was 2 Best Ball Foursome. Here are the results:

Place/Score		Team			
1 / 120		Edsel Carson Jr	Ben Jasmine	Kori Sasaki	Patrick Arnett
1 / 121		David Godinez	Lew Johnson	Jim McGuire	Ray Jelesky
3 / 122		Mel Rodinsky	AJ Hart	Jim Moore	Ted Becker
Closest-To-Pin	#3	#7	#11	#14	
<b>Men 1</b>	Jim Moore	Lewis Brady	Terry Gray	Lou Tolbert	
<b>2z</b>	Patrick Arnett	Ron Fellows	James Taubodo	AJ Hart	
<b>3</b>	Bert Valdes	Carl Woodland	Lew Johnson		
<b>Ladies</b>	None				

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**Spring Valley November 4, 2019.** No Shots-of-the-Day to report. We had 34 players on a gorgeous, windless day! The format of play was our annual "Sandwich Shoot". Members of each foursome competed for a steak sandwich. The other members got their choice of a burger or chicken sandwich complete with fries or chips and a soft drink. We had a turnout of 34 players.

Reminder! Renewals for your 2020 NCGA dues are now being accepted. The cost to renew is **\$45.00** until December 25th. After that the cost is **\$55.00**. So, do not let your card expire! New NCGA membership is \$55.00. (See Notes 2 and 3 below for additional info.)

Closest-To-Pin	#2	#4	#7	#11	#16
<b>Men 1</b>	Terry Gray	Lewis Brady	Bill Irish	Jorge Gonzalez	Louis Godinez
<b>2</b>	Ron Fellows	Dennis Niemeyer	Ray Jelesky	Ron Scaglione	Oscar Lopez
<b>3</b>	Patrick Arnett	Andy Zevenhuizen	Joe Lumpkin		Andy La Scola
<b>Ladies 1</b>					Sandy Sherrill

Looking ahead at our schedule:

Date	Course	Cost/Deadline	Notes
January 6	Spring Valley	\$57.00/December 10	Includes Prize Fund & Cart, Format is 2 Best Ball Foursome
February 3	Los Lagos	\$48.00	Includes Prize Fund & Cart, Format is 2 Best Ball Foursome

**Important Notes**

- Prices and dates are subject to change. Be sure to check the IBM Retirement Club web site: [www.ibmsjrc.org](http://www.ibmsjrc.org) for latest "Par Tee Golf" information or, call Andy.
- RENEWALS FOR YOUR 2020 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](mailto: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 on file). 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).



# Par Tee Golf

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Golfers,

**Due to the rain, and the course being restricted to "Cart Path Only", the tournament for Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at Los Lagos was CANCELLED!**

This completes my 20<sup>th</sup> year in organizing and running these tournaments and only the 1<sup>st</sup> time that I actually had to cancel a tournament! (I did have to postpone 2 tournaments previously, because of rain.)

Please join me in giving a "Great Big Thank You" to:

Terry Gray, for his excellent work in handling the NCGA Handicaps!

My lovely wife Kathy, for verifying your scores and encouraging me to keep running these tournaments although I keep saying, "The Job is OPEN"!

(Just in case anyone wants to take over and give me a much-needed break!)

And, to ALL OF YOU, who participate in these monthly tournaments!

Some "Stats" over my 20 years:

9 "Holes-In-One", reported! (none of them made by me!)

22 "Eagles", reported! (Finally, one of them made by me! YEA!)

Many, many "Shot(s)-Of-The-Day, reported! A lot of them "Chip-In's" or, from Many Yards Away!

And, a lot of them that were "Trick Shots" or, Hilariously Funny"!

And, a reminder to those of you that have not sent in their **2020 NCGA Renewals**, you may do so at this time! The cost for **renewals** is \$45.00. "**New**" NCGA Membership or "Late" payments (received after December 31) are \$55.00.

Make **ALL Checks** payable to "Par Tee Golf" and mail it to:

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

Next tournaments are:

Spring Valley, January 6<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$57.00 and includes Green Fee, Cart & Prize Fund. Format is 2 Best Ball Foursome! 1<sup>st</sup> tee time is 10:00!

Los Lagos, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The cost is \$48.00 and includes Green Fee, Cart & Prize Fund. Format is 2 Best Ball Foursome! Shotgun Start at 8:32!

Any questions, Call/Email me (And, for the record, if you text me, I don't receive them in a timely manner because my "Smart Phone" is always on the charger when I'm at home!)

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!**

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