



# San Jose IBM Retirement Club Newsletter



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## PRESIDENT'S CHAT

This will be my last president's report and I want to take this opportunity to thank the folks who help make this club work. My gratitude goes to Bill Souza (Vice President), Marian Wisbar (Secretary), David Sloan (Treasurer), Ed Muller (Membership), and Directors- At-Large Jerry Bemis, Betty Bradley and Tom Clarke. A special thanks to Walt Cole who has faithfully delivered this newsletter for many years. Thanks also go out to Terry Milinic' (Sunshine Committee), Frank Vitale (IBM Club office contact), Topsy Thompson (Bowling), Clara DePaul (Short Golf), Andy LaScola (Par Tee Golf), and the Road Gang headed up by Doug and Evie Dean. A special thanks to all the past presidents who give freely of their time, especially Mel Olsen who provides access to our meeting room.

I wish much success to Bill Souza as the new President and the new officers who will support him. They are Bernie Coullahan as Vice President, Ruth Price as Secretary, Jim Riley as Treasurer. Directors-At-Large will be Beverly Baker, Ina Havens and Pat Motta.

It has been my pleasure to serve as president,  
George Walker, President

## Adopt-A-Highway

Because of Veterans Day and Thanksgiving we did not go out in November. Our permit says no cleans the day before, the day of, or the day after a legal holiday.

### Update on Lost Wallet

October 14, 2010, we reported a lost wallet and our efforts to return it to its owner.

"Lost & Found: In the VTA lot, Bob Ramirez found a wallet with no money but a driver's license, gift cards, medical insurance card, and a De Anza student ID in it. I called my neighbor for help; she couldn't find the student's last name in the phone book so she gave me De Anza's phone numbers. De Anza said they would contact the student and give her our phone info. We haven't heard from the student so we sent a letter to the address on the license. We still haven't heard from her. We will keep you posted on further developments."

We wrote the letter and did not have any response until tonight, November 17. The wallet's owner called and said she had just received the letter because the address we had was her mother's. She will pick it up at our house tomorrow. She lost it in a restaurant and has never been to the Blossom Hill VTA station or parking lot. She had 40 dollars in it and, of course, that is gone.

Luckily, we had out of town guests and did not have time to take the wallet to the police....the next step we were planning.

Schedule: Meet in the VTA Parking Lot at 8:45 AM, **Thursday, December 9; Wednesday, January 12**

Caller: **Barbara Pugh 265-2466**

Contact: **Doug & Evelyn Dean, 264-9502, [dougnevie@comcast.net](mailto:dougnevie@comcast.net)**

## IBM Volunteer Outreach Council

Are you an IBM retiree in the Silicon Valley? Do you volunteer for a local nonprofit organization that is sponsoring an upcoming program or event which serves the local community? The IBM Volunteer Outreach Council supports the local community with grants to qualifying organizations that are being supported by the efforts of IBM volunteers / retirees. The web link below will provide you with access to the online grant application form. Any questions contact Bev Baker ([bjb1950k@gmail.com](mailto:bjb1950k@gmail.com)) or Reinhard Wolter ([rwolter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rwolter@sbcglobal.net)).

**[tinyurl.com/ibm-volunteer/](http://tinyurl.com/ibm-volunteer/)**

## San Jose IBM Retirement Club

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#### COMMITTEES:

##### Sunshine:

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##### Community Service - Adopt-A-Highway:

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Mel Olsen, Ed Henschel, Bill Souza,  
Glen Furlong, Terry Milinic', George Nale, Ernie  
Veal, Ina Havens, Art Dill

San Jose IBM Retirement Club  
web site:

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

#### Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, December 16, 2010, 10:00 AM  
Meriwest Credit Union  
Chesbro and Blossom Hill Road

#### IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, December 14, 2010, 5:00 PM  
**Farmville on Facebook**

[www.sjpc.org](http://www.sjpc.org)

Contact: Walt Cole, 972-1178

## Membership Report

Ed Mueller

November 18, 2010

### History

November, 2000: 1765  
November, 2009: 2166  
November, 2010: 2157 (0)  
Currently reading online: 1369 (-1)  
Currently receiving paper copy: 327 (+2)  
Currently not doing either: 491 (0)

Numbers in ( ) = changes since  
the previous month

## Change of Address

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

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

By U. S. Mail:

Ed Mueller  
1269 Peralta Dr.  
San Jose, CA 95120

## In Memoriam

Richard Bell

Ed Courtright

Carl W. Craven

Janet Gregory

George Hoffman, Jr.

Harry Alan Skovmand

Ken Skovmand

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

IBM Employee Services Center

1-800-796-9876

## New Members

Gary Ashby  
James D'Anjou  
Judith Hoffman  
Karen McDowell

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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

### Sea World

Gate price: \$67.00 3-9 years: \$57.00  
IBM Club price: \$57.00 2-day ticket!  
\$50.00 3-9 years

### Universal Studios

Gate price: \$70.00, 3 years & up  
IBM Club price: \$61.00, 3-day ticket!

### CA Triple Play Ticket

Legoland, Sealife Aquarium & Water Park

Gate price: \$79.00,  
IBM Club price: \$62.00, 2-day ticket

### California Academy of Sciences, SF

IBM Club price: 15% off

[www.calacademy.org/etickets](http://www.calacademy.org/etickets)

User ID: IBMClub, password: alligator

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

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

### Ticket Hours:

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

## Sunshine Report

Three of our retirees had surgery this month.

**Bill Bartz** is recovering but is scheduled for  
more surgery in December. Hopefully he  
will then be able to return to playing golf,  
tennis, and bowling.

**Laura Woodard** is doing fine and will miss  
only 3 weeks of bowling.

**Jim Cortney** is recuperating, after a set-  
back, but is looking forward to a complete  
recovery.

On behalf of the board, I send holiday greet-  
ings to all retirees and best wishes for a  
healthy new year.

Please continue with your calls and e-mails.  
Names are not published without permis-  
sion.

**Terry Milinic'**

265-5908 or [theresano1@yahoo.com](mailto:theresano1@yahoo.com)

## TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Dec 1, 2010	Lunch & Theater - NunSet Boulevard	2	–	Bill Souza	356-6280
Dec 9, 2010	Adopt-A-Highway		1	Evelyn & Doug Dean	264-9502
Dec 9, 2010	<b>Annual Club Holiday Party</b>	1	–	Bill Souza	356-6280
Dec 14, 2010	PC Club –Farmville on Facebook		2	Walt Cole	972-1178
Dec 16, 2010	IBM Retirement Club Board Meeting		2	George Walker	268-7623
Jan 11, 2011	Indian Casino: Thunder Valley	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Jan 28, 2011	Hike: St. Joseph's Hill, Los Gatos		8	Gil & Julie Feller	247-6769
Feb 14, 2011	Valentine's Day Lunch & Show	2	5	Bill Souza	356-6280
Feb 22, 2011	Hike: Los Alamitos Creek Trail		8	Pat Falkowski	781-4182
March 3-17, 2011	Israel, Jordan, and optionally, Istanbul	2	4	George Nale	779-4275
Mar 6-8, 2011	Reno Getaway - Silver Legacy Hotel Casino	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Mar 24, 2011	Intel Museum & NASA Ames/Moffett Field	2	–	Bill Souza	356-6280
Apr 4-18, 2011	Australia and New Zealand	3	4	Bob Martinez	778-2978
Apr 5, 2011	Indian Casino: River Rock	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Apr 29, 2011	Luther Burbank Home/Garden/Canine Companions	2	5	Bill Souza	356-6280
May 2-3, 2011	Gold Country Getaway	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
June 2, 2011	Villa Ca'toga	2	5	Bill Souza	356-6280
June 7, 2011	Indian Casino: Table Mountain	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Jun 27-29, 2011	Russian River to Pacific Ocean	2	5	Bud Souza	340-0082
July 30-Aug 12, 2011	Northern European Cruise	2	4	Art Dill	(831) 338-3069
Aug 1, 2011	Luncheon Bay Cruise & Bay Bridge Exploration	2	–	Bill Souza	356-6280
Sep 1-3, 2011	Reno, Silver Legacy, Rib Cook-Off	2	5	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Oct 4, 2011	Novato History, Lunch & Show	2	5	Bill Souza	356-6280
Oct 11, 2011	Indian Casino: Cache Creek	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Oct 18-30, 2011	Ireland		5	George Walker	268-7623

### 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
- 5 Hiking in hills for several miles

# Travel Trips

## The Land Down Under – Australia and New Zealand

April 4-18, 2011

Let's take a trip 'down-under' to Australia and visit the amazing Great Barrier Reef. A glass bottom boat ride will give you an up-close look at the beautiful marine life, and the many colorful coral reefs. We will take a walk through a rain forest, visit a crocodile farm and see some cuddly koalas. You don't want to miss the traditional Aboriginal dancers, learn about their lifestyle and how to throw a boomerang. A stay in the beautiful city of Sydney will offer a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour with a grand view of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge. Then we venture to New Zealand and stay in the charming city of Christchurch known as "the most English city outside of England." A New Zealand family will welcome us to dinner in their home and we can learn about their home life. We will cruise the picturesque Milford Sound, see the famous fjords, and visit Mt Cook.

This amazing 15 day tour is priced at **\$4599** per person, double occupancy. Included in the price is the Cancellation Waiver Insurance of \$225.00 per person, air taxes and fee/surcharges of \$230.00, hotel, and roundtrip air from San Jose. Also included are 20 meals: 12 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 6 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 or cell (408) 835-3393 or e-mail: [bob.martinez47@yahoo.com](mailto:bob.martinez47@yahoo.com)**

### Israel and Jordan with Istanbul as a Bonus

**Now March 3-17, 2011, more days,  
less cost**

Our tour company has found a better vendor for the trip and managed to add two more days while lowering the cost. Now it is easier to visit the Holy Land and Jordan, with a wonderful side trip to Istanbul.

In Israel see Tel Aviv, Caesarea, Nazareth, Tiberias, Tabgha, Capernaum, Mount of Beatitudes, Beit Shean, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, the Tomb of the Virgin Mary, the Western Wall and many other historical and biblical sites. Optional tours to Masada, Bethlehem and the museum of Yad Vashem are available.

Then on to Jordan for two days to see Petra, one of the 7 wonders of the world, and Amman. This 12 day tour is priced at \$4000. Most extra charges are covered.

A great addition to this trip is 3 1/2 days in the magic city of Istanbul, which is unique in its footprint in both Asia and Europe, its modern approach to being Muslim and its history and its palaces, mosques (we visit several), bazaars and spice markets. Tour the Bosphorous Straits and the Golden Horn, and the entrance to the Black Sea. Nothing Isobel and I have seen in our travels is quite like it. Cost is \$748 and includes two full day tours.

For a brochure contact **George or Isobel Nale** at **779-4275**, or email us at **[georgesbest30@live.com](mailto:georgesbest30@live.com)**.

### North Sea Adventure Cruise

July 30 – August 12, 2011

Enjoy the windswept landscapes of Scotland and Norway's fjord-scalloped coast. Northern Europe is a midsummer night's dream. This is a 12-day cruise aboard the M/S Eurodam. Oh, the comfort of cruising and unpacking only once!

In Copenhagen, Denmark, the Little Mermaid greets you at the harbor of this lighthearted city. The city center gardens of Tivoli are said to have inspired Walt Disney. Oslo, Norway, is spotless, sophisticated and brims with sights from Thor Heyerdahl's Kon Tiki to the Vigeland Sculpture Park. Our scenic cruising will pass the deep, wide magnificent Sognefjord. Have your cameras ready for wide open landscapes, narrow fjord arms, blue glaciers, small villages and isolated farms, lush valleys and sparkling waterfalls. Kristiansund is a colorful, cosmopolitan fishing town set across three islands connected by bridges.

At our stop in Bergen, stroll Bryggen pier, lined with wooden warehouses dating back to the Middle Ages. Step back and enjoy the ancient architecture of the city of Alesund. It is known for its surrounding fjords, the high peaks of the Sunnmore Alps, and the nearby island of Runde where visitors can take a bird safari. Be thrilled by Geirangerfjord with its gushing waterfalls. Enjoy the scenic cruising of Cromarty Firth, Scotland. Two precipitous rocks known as the "Sutors" guard the entrance to this deep, wide firth on Scotland's east coast. Be ready to photograph the Clyde's scenic islands, dolphins and seals, crystal-clear lochs and rolling hills. At Invergordon, the plaintive skirl of Highland bagpipes calls you ashore. Nearby is the deep Loch Ness, holding secrets that have captured imaginations worldwide. At South Queensferry, view Scottish jewels in Edinburgh Castle. Visit the home of Mary Queen of Scots, now Queen Elizabeth II's official Scottish residence.

Cabins start at \$2795 per person plus air fare.

Contact: **Art & Sharry Dill**  
**(831) 338-3069 or [arthdill@comcast.net](mailto:arthdill@comcast.net)**

# Travel Trips

## Russian River to Pacific Ocean

June 26-28, 2011

We will visit Kendall-Jackson & Korbel wineries and have a gourmet lunch. On to Dawn Ranch Lodge on the Russian River for a 2-night stay. Tour the Roadhouse Restaurant and have a 3-course meal. A historian will lead us on a tour of the area including the "California Carnivores," 400 insect-eating plants. We will have a hosted lunch and shop at Duncan Mills. Then to a 3-course coastal evening meal in the Bodega Bay area. We will visit the Bensinger family winery and have a tram tour of the ranch. Lunch will be on the way to Cornerstone Sonoma. 3 days, 2 nights: **\$469**

Contact: **Bud Souza: (408)-340-0082**

e-mail: [buds2@mindspring.com](mailto:buds2@mindspring.com)

## Shades of Ireland

October 18-30, 2011

13-day Ireland and Northern Ireland  
\$2,450 includes insurance, tips and transfers

For information contact:

**George Walker (408) 268-7623**  
[gcwalker95120@yahoo.com](mailto:gcwalker95120@yahoo.com)

## Volunteers Needed

### IBM Holiday Party for Kids

**Saturday, December 11, 2010, 10:00 AM**

**Almaden Research Center Cafeteria**

**Call Frank Vitale if you can help.**  
**(408) 927-2106**

# Day Trips

## Luther Burbank Home/Garden Tour & Canine Companions

Friday, April 29, 2011

Start with a guided tour of the Luther Burbank Home & Gardens. Tour the home and furnishings, the green house, the carriage house, and a portion of the gardens all while learning about Burbank's life and achievements. Next to a hosted Italian lunch at the historic Union Hotel Restaurant. Then you're off to a guided tour of Canine Companions for Independence. (This is not the Guide Dogs for the Blind.) Learn how they select, breed, and train dogs to be of service to people with disabilities.

All this for \$83.00 per person

These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact

**Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or**  
[bsouza6280@aol.com](mailto:bsouza6280@aol.com)

## Villa Ca'toga

Thursday, June 2, 2011

Villa Ca'toga has enough beauty and splendor to take your breath away. Artist Carlo Marchiori will enchant you with a guided tour of the villa, gardens and grounds of Villa Ca'toga. Offering magnificent murals, classic Roman architecture, and whimsy...you never know where the next turn will take you. You'll enjoy a hosted 3-course lunch at Brannan's Grill, Calistoga. After lunch there will be free time to visit the quaint downtown Calistoga.

All this for \$85.00 per person

These trips fill up fast so don't wait.

For reservation information contact  
**Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or**  
[bsouza6280@aol.com](mailto:bsouza6280@aol.com)

## Dynamic Tour, Lunch & Show in Novato

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Enjoy a historic tour of Novato with step-on guide, John Trimble, an honorary member of the Novato Historical Guild.

A 3-course lunch at beautiful Ricky's Restaurant follows. Then on to the charming Pacheco Playhouse for a live cabaret revue for a scintillating "toe tapping" journey through Vaudeville, Broadway and Hollywood.

All this for \$89.00 per person

These trips fill up fast so don't wait. For reservation information contact

**Bill Souza at (408) 356-6280 or**  
[bsouza6280@aol.com](mailto:bsouza6280@aol.com)

## Best in the West, Nugget Rib Cook-off

September 1-3, 2011

**Schedule:** **September 1:** Depart: 8:00 AM  
Cal Neva, Reno: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Bonus \$8  
2-night stay at Silver Legacy Hotel: 5:15 PM  
**September 2:**  
Depart Silver Legacy: 9:45 AM  
Nugget, Sparks: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, bonus \$10  
"Best in the West Rib Cook-Off"

**September 3:**  
Check out: 9:45 AM  
Boomtown, Verdi: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, bonuses  
\$5 cash & \$5 food  
Return to San Jose: approximately 7:00 PM

All this for only \$130.00 per person, double occupancy

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

# Day Trips

## Indian Casino Trips

### *Thunder Valley Casino*

Tuesday, January 11, 2011, \$31.00

### *Reno Getaway - Silver Legacy Hotel & Casino*

March 6-8, 2011

\$130 per person, double occupancy

### *River Rock Casino*

Tuesday, April 5, 2011, \$31.00

### *Table Mountain Casino*

Tuesday, June 7, 2011, \$31.00

### *Cache Creek Casino*

Tuesday, October 11, 2011, \$31.00

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: 7:30 AM

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

## Gold Country Getaway

May 2-3, 2011

### Schedule:

**May 2:** Depart 8:00 AM

Feather Falls Casino: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Bonus \$10

Overnight stay: Gold Country Casino: 3:30 PM, Bonus \$10

**May 3:** Depart 10:00 AM

Fenton's Ice Creamery: 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM, Lunch

Budweiser Factory: 1:45 PM - 3:15 PM, tour factory, taste

Return to San Jose, at approximately 5:00 PM

All this for only \$133.00 per person, double occupancy

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

or e-mail: [topray4314@att.net](mailto:topray4314@att.net)

# Par Tee Golf

**Spring Valley, November 8, 2010.** This was our annual "Salami Shoot," and everybody wins! However, this year there were no salamis. So, we called it a "Chicken Shoot!" (See the October's Par Tee Golf report on details of the name change.) Each foursome received vacuum sealed packages of "Chicken Breasts and Drumsticks." The "Shot-Of-The-Day" goes to Marge Condensa. On hole #9, (a modified par five.....the yardage was shortened from 402 yards to 312 yards for this event), Marge shot a three for her very first Eagle! Fantastic shots, Marge! The format of play was "Individual Play." We had a great turnout of 55 players. Here are the results:

Closest-To-Pin	#2	#4	#7	#11	#16
<b>Men</b>	Darrell Bellah 11' 0"	Dave Moulton 10"	Mike Nunziata 12' 10"	Dennis Niemeyer 25' 6"	Gil Maes 19' 6"
	Don Johnson 20' 1"	Tony Scalora 6' 0"	Cliff Norfleet 29' 7"		John Grewohl 19' 10"
	Greg Johnston 21' 8"	T. Siljander 13' 1"	Tom Baker 30' 8"		Terry Gray 20' 6"
<b>Ladies</b>	Gwen Kaefer 8' 2"			Marge Condensa 52' 11"	

There were nine bogey golfers, gross score of 88 or better, and they are John Grewohl 74; Tom Siljander & Tony Scalora 81; Eric Schrader 81; Terry Gray & Darrell Bellah 84; Jerry Condensa 86; Dennis Niemeyer 87; and Gil Maes 88. Congratulations to all the winners!

Future:	Cost/Due Date	
December 6 Los Lagos	\$48.00/November 21	Includes cart-soft spikes required - Format = 2 best ball foursome
January 17 San Jose Municipal	\$45.00/December 30	Cart optional @ \$7 ea. - Format = 2 best ball foursome
February 7 Ridgemark- Diablo	\$45.00/January 16	Includes cart-soft spikes required - Format = 2 best ball foursome
March 14 Ridgemark- Gabilan	\$45.00/February 17	Includes cart-soft spikes required - Format = 2 best ball foursome

### Notes:

- The monthly golf schedule for the entire year can be seen on the IBM Retirement Club web site. The 2011 schedule will be posted soon. [www.ibmsjrc.org](http://www.ibmsjrc.org)
- NCGA Renewals are due for the Par Tee Golf Club. Renewals before December 15 are \$42.00. After December 20, or no previous NCGA number, are \$52.00. Contact Don Johnson @ (408) 997-9452, or send an email to: [maxdonmar@comcast.net](mailto:maxdonmar@comcast.net)
- 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 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).

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

## Short 18-Hole Golf

### Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

**November 4, 2010:** Individual Golf was played by 20 players. Winners were:

Men		Women	
1st	Darrel Jenson 52	1st	Gwen Kaefer 54
2nd	Earl Bowers 53	2nd	DeDe Corral 59
3rd	Jim Stonehouse 60	3rd	Kathy Herrington 60
4th	Jim Viallet 62	4th	Chris Oba 60
	Rich Campbell 62		Marge Condensa 60

#### Closest to Pin #16

Ray Jelesky	28'5"	Chris Oba	40'9"
Neil Rowland	37'0"	Gwen Kaefer	45'5"

The next golf dates are Thursdays, December 2, 2010 and January 6, 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 Holidays to All!  
Clara DePaul (294-7041)**

**DeDe Corral (378-6470) & Helen Wehner (264-6296)**

## Bowling

### One More Time 2010 Winter League at Club 300, San Jose (behind Oakridge)

#### Winter League Scores, November 11, 2010

1st Place: Team #22, "VI WH JUNG," Bill Jeung, Tom White, Joann White, Shirley Veal  
2nd Place: Team #25, "MACHETE", Tony Chavira, George Zagelow, MaryLou Zamudio, Sal Garcia

#### Individual Achievements

	Women	Men
HIGH SERIES	599-Marilyn Bianco	709-George Zagelow
SCRATCH	582-Jan Curry	684-Tom Higa
		682-Fred Mitchell
HIGH SERIES	728-Marilyn Bianco	757-Fred Mitchell
HANDICAP	695-Lisa Johannes	726-Bill Souza
	685-Lanh Hoyle	723-Tom Higa
HIGH GAME	229-Marilyn Bianco	289-George Zagelow
SCRATCH	213-Jan Curry	256-Mario DeHaro
	213-Ruth Furlong	
	211-Shirley Beyler	
HIGH GAME	272-Marilyn Bianco	289-George Zagelow
HANDICAP	258-MJ Canavan	275-Dave Curry
	258-Lisa Johannes	272-Fred Mitchell
	257-Hugheen Cabri	
AVERAGE	168-Jan Curry	206-George Zagelow
	158-Shirley Beyler	203-Mario DeHaro
	158-Marilyn Bianco	

Well, this is it for November. Can you believe it is December? Where has the time gone? We are having so much fun that time just slips by. We sure could use some more bowlers. Won't you come down and join us? We would love to have you.

December Bowling:

We will not bowl on December 22 and 29. Enjoy the holidays.

We will come back to bowling Wednesday, January 5, 2011.

See you then.

**Topsy Thompson, Secretary, 377-4314**

## Do You Volunteer?

**Carole Walker**, a court-appointed advocate, has been working with hearing impaired children for many years. A student she tutored for 16 years recently graduated from high school.

### **Congratulations, Carole!**

We would be interested in hearing about the volunteer work of other retirees.

Contact: **Terry Milinic'**  
265-5908 or [theresano1@yahoo.com](mailto:theresano1@yahoo.com)

## SeniorNet Learning Centers

Is 2011 going to be the year you learn how to use a computer and join the modern age? Or, if you use a computer, would you like to become more proficient?

In either case, one of the three SeniorNet Learning Centers in San Jose can help. They all have courses for beginners as well as wide variety of intermediate courses covering many computer applications—word processing, spreadsheets, using a digital camera, managing and editing the photos you take, using the Internet and e-mail, managing files, using Windows 7, etc.

If you use a computer attached to the Internet, visit [www.snicsj.org](http://www.snicsj.org).

If you are a beginner and are wondering where to start, call Walt. He will be gentle and send you a brochure. Learning to use a computer is no picnic, but it can be done.

Contact: **Walt Cole, (408) 972-1178**,  
or by e-mail: [opawalt@gmail.com](mailto:opawalt@gmail.com)

# Hikes

## St. Joseph's Hill Hike

Friday, January 28, 2011 TAR = 5

This month we will explore the St. Joseph's Hill Open Space Preserve. Beginning in downtown Los Gatos, we'll hike on the Los Gatos Creek Trail all the way up to the top of Lexington Dam. We will continue from there up to St. Joseph's Hill – a 1,250 foot pinnacle. If we're lucky, we will be treated to panoramic views of the Santa Clara Valley, Lexington Reservoir, and the impressive Sierra Azul mountain range. This hike will total around 5 miles, with plenty of fun uphill to work your cardiovascular system. But, hopefully, the views will make all that climbing worth your while.

We'll meet at 10:00 AM in the Old Town parking lot on University Avenue in Los Gatos. You may want to park across the street in the underground lot, as there is a time limit in the University Avenue lot. To get there, take Highway 17 toward Santa Cruz. Exit at Highway 9, bearing right. When you get to University Avenue, turn left. Continue down University till you see Old Town on your left. Bring lunch and water.

Contact: **Gil & Julie Feller, (408) 247-6769**

## Los Alamos Creek Trail Hike

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

This month's hike is an easy, flat hike on a paved trail. The distance is between 5 and 8 miles, depending on how energetic and ambitious you feel. We will meet at 9:30 AM in the picnic area of Almaden Lake Park. ~~This large covered picnic area is located off~~ Winfield Blvd., south of Coleman. There is a charge for parking in the lot. However, there is plenty of free parking on Winfield Blvd. just outside the park. There are also restrooms next to the Bocci Ball court. We would like to start the hike at 10:00 AM. We will follow the trail to Camden Avenue for a 5-mile loop. Those who wish to do a longer walk (approximately 8 miles roundtrip) can continue on to Harry Road then return. Bring lunch and water.

Contact: **Pat Falkowski 408-781-4182 or Lize Johannes 408-373-8181**

## Krazy Kampers

We are a group of retired IBMers belonging to the IBM Camping Club (club name is 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.

February 10-13, 2011	Pismo Beach	Mel Rinehart	(408) 225-1677
March 17-20, 2011	Marina Dunes	Rich Haggerty	(408) 227-4087
April 14-17, 2011	Wine Country RV Resort	Enzo Buscema	(408) 225-2318
May 12-15, 2011	Coloma Resort	Ted Head	(408) 440-7137
June 24-26, 2011	Bodega Bay	Bill Bartz	(408) 971-8928
September 14-18, 2011	Tahoe Valley Campground	Bob Rootsart	(408) 559-3318