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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

Our President, George Walker, has experienced a rough recovery. While the surgery was successful, George developed pneumonia and has been in and out of the hospital several times. Unfortunately, full recovery will be measured in months rather than days. It will be a while longer before George is back at the helm to lead the club. The good news is he appears to be finally shaking off the pneumonia effects and he and his wife Carol are very much hoping they will be up to joining us for the upcoming picnic.

Speaking of the picnic, the reservation deadline is June 3. You only have a few days left to reserve a spot.

The form is below. Print it out, fill in the blanks and mail to Bill Souza.

Bernie Coullahan , Past 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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IBM Retiree & Alumni Club**

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IBM Retiree and Alumni Club web site:

ibmsjrc.org

San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club
web site:

sjqcc.com

Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, June 18, 2015, 10:00 AM

LDS Church

150 Bernal Road

San Jose, CA 95119

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 2015, 5:00 pm

MS Excel Applications

Contact: Walt Cole, 408-972-1178

Membership Report

Bev Baker

May 21, 2015

Active Members: 1657

Newsletters mailed:

57 in March (they subscribed)

Members who read online: 1432,
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

Gwen Cox

Leland Lowe

Barbara Manegold

Ian Nash

In Memoriam

Barbara Auda

Harold Clark

Harry G. Familetti

Thomas F. Joyce

Debbie Pletzer

Patrick A. Smith

David W. Tate

Daniel A. Woodward

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

IBM Employee Services Center

800-796-9876

**Quarter Century Club
Invitation**

The IBM San Jose Quarter Century Club
invites any of the members of the IBM
Retiree & Alumni Club who worked at IBM
for 25 years or more to also receive the
IBM San Jose Quarter Century Club email
newsletter. If you are interested please
reply to:

qccsj@comcast.net

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

Sunshine Report

Evie Dean has "graduated" from her
wheelchair to a walker and appreciates
the additional mobility. She is hoping to
begin physical therapy soon.

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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members of the Club and their families.
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TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
June 9, 2015	Annual Club Picnic		1	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
June 9, 2015	PC Club -MS Excel Applications		2	Walt Cole	408-972-1178
June 12, 2015	Hike: Rancho Canada del Oro Open Space Preserve		8	Barbara & Henry Bender	408-225-3039
June 13, 2015	IBM Club - Movie: Jurassic World		8	Frank Vitale	408-927-2106
June 16, 2015	San Pablo Wildlife Preserve		6	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
June 18, 2015	IBM SV Retiree/Alumni Club Board Meeting		2	George Walker	408 268-7623
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	408-335-9263
Aug 5-6, 2015	Hot August Nights	2	6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Aug 7, 2015	Afternoon in the Vineyard		5	George Nale	408-779-4275
Sep 10, 2015	Wizards & Magicians of Santa Rosa		5	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
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 15, 2015	Annual Club Meeting		-		
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
May 12-27, 2016	Sicily, Heart of the Mediterranean		8	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978

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.

June 25-27	Jackson Rancheria	Les Greatbanks	510-234-9271
Aug 6-8	Bolado Park, Hollister	Bob Thompson	408-779-2054
Sep 10-13	Bodega Bay	Mel Rinehart	530-809-4274
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, June 11, 2015, 1:30 PM
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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Day Trips

Wizards & Magicians of Santa Rosa

Thursday, September 10, 2015

Join your IBM Retiree & Alumni Club friends and learn about the wizards that made Santa Rosa their home and the magic of those who live there now. Enjoy learning the history of the town of Santa Rosa with historian, Bill Montgomery. Our day will include a hosted lunch at Flavors Restaurant followed by ice cream and a magic show at Shuffles!

Included are a deluxe motor coach and all gratuities -- all for **\$120** per person. These trips fill up fast so don't wait.

For reservation information contact

Bill Souza at 408-335-9263 or bsouza6280@aol.com

Afternoon in the Vineyard

Friday, August 7, 2015

Visit Morgan Hill one more time this summer at the Guglielmo Winery, for a catered Italian lunch with wine for sale. This is, of course, the same place as the Annual Club Picnic which will be on June 9. See page 1 for that event.

The reservation form for Afternoon in the Vineyard will be in the July and August newsletters.

Contact: George Nale, 408-779-4275

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 408-335-9263 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)

May, 2015

We have completed the Fall League and now will start the Summer League. We have room for more bowlers if you want to bowl this summer. Come join us at Cambrian Lanes on Wednesdays at 9:30 am.

Fall Season final results:

1st place: **Patti's Devils** - Pat Falkowski, Charlie Camilleri, Jim Porter, & Sal Garcia

2nd place: **Team 14** - Eddie Fahrner, Barbara Pugh, Bill Jeung & Jim O'Neil

WOMEN

SCRATCH GAME
246 Shirley Beyler
SCRATCH SERIES
552 Faye Fritz
HANDICAP GAME
270 Joanne White
HANDICAP SERIES
691 Pat Falkowski

MEN

SCRATCH GAME
278 Rich Gavino
SCRATCH SERIES
664 Bill Hooper
HANDICAP GAME
295 Dave Curry
HANDICAP SERIES
697 Eddie Fahrner

On May 5 we had the Watson Senior IBM Bowling Tournament. Lots of fun, good food and bowling too.

Winners of the Tournament are:

Women

High Scratch Series	Shirley Veal	477
High Scratch Game	Lize Johannes	174
High Handicap Series	Judy Siliga	639
High Handicap Game	Carol Hughes	225

Men

High Scratch Series	Dennis Pitchford	605
High Scratch Game	Mario De Haro	232
High Handicap Series	Jim Porter	687
High Handicap Game	Sal Garcia	245

Carol Hughes, secretary, 408-224-1739

Casino Trips

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

May 7, 2015: Here are the results of the May outing:
It was a 'truncated' outing, due to some rain later in the afternoon.

Low Net:

1 st	Don Streicher	61
2 nd	Dick Lake	61
3 rd	Don Simcox	64
4 th	Armin Kluth	72
	Patrice Haggerty	72

Closest-to-Pin #16:

Don Streicher: 12"4"

The next golf dates are Thursdays, June 4 and July 2. 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, artz.bill@yahoo.com

Darrel Jensen, 408-371-6652

Par Tee Golf

Spring Valley – May 4, 2015. No Shots-Of-The-Day to report. We had a nice turnout of 56 players. The format of play was 2 Best Ball Foursome. Here are the results

Place/Score

		<u>Team</u>		
1/113	Cathy Priest	Mona Nakamura	Emi Tuvey	Virginia Anderson
2/114	Nina Correa	Denise Giffin	Rosalie Baylot	Fran Plummer
3/115*	Andy La Scola	Kathy La Scola	Tom Baker	Darell Bellah
3/115*	Terry Gray	Dennis Niemeyer	Lewis Brady	Troy Garcia
3/115*	Tony Scalora	Eric Schrader	Al Carlson	Rich Hiser

* = 3-way-tie

Closest-To-Pin: #2

#4

#7

#11

#16

Men	Ron Scaglione 2' 8"	Dennis Niemeyer 15' 3"	Lou Tolbert 4' 0"	Greg Seaton 26' 1"	Terry Gray 11' 9"
	Al Carlson 11' 8"	John Akeley 8' 3"	Graham Kelly 8' 7"	Larry Villatore 26' 8"	Khanh Nguyen 12' 11"
	Dick Liu 12' 5"	James Taubodo 27' 5"	Rich Saito 9' 3"	Ray Sanchez 35' 8"	Tony Scalora 27' 4"
Ladies	Emi Tuvey 22' 4"	Nina Correa 18' 10"	Rosalie Baylot 28' 10"	Fran Plummer 61' 8"	
	Kathy La Scola 20' 1"		Cathy Priest 32' 6"		

Future

Course

Cost/Due Date

Notes

June 1	Rancho Canada-West	\$40.00/May 13	Cart Optional-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome
July 13	Boulder Creek	\$40.00/June 24	Cart Optional-Includes Prize Fund & Lunch Coupon, "Team Scramble/Wilson Handicap"
August 10	San Juan Oaks	\$60.00/July 22	Includes Cart-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome

Notes:

- The monthly golf results, rules and 2015 schedule can be seen on the IBM Retirement Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org
- Proper golf attire is required at ALL of the courses that we play. That means "Jeans" or "Levi's" are NOT allowed.
- 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

2015 Watson Golf Tournament

5 Mondays: July 20, August 17, August 31, September 21, October 12

The application to play and all the Rules are online at ibmsjrc.org

The cost: **\$190**. Your application and fee must be received by Wednesday, June 30, 2015 at the IBM Club office.

Hikes

June Hike: Rancho Canada del Oro Open Space Preserve, south of Calero County Park

Friday, June 12, 2015, 10:00 AM

Meet at 10:00 AM at the Casa Loma Entrance of Rancho Canada del Oro where there are picnic tables and a restroom. From there we will make a 4.3-mile loop along Mayfair Ranch and Longwall Canyon trails. During our 2 hour walk we gain approximately 400 feet to the ridge with views of Loma Prieta and Mt. Umunum along the way. Lunch will be at the picnic benches at the Casa Loma Entrance. For those who wish to continue hiking after lunch we will enter Calero Park by crossing the road to make a loop on Bald Peaks, Needlegrass and Longwall Canyon trails and thence back to our cars -- also about a 2-hour hike. From the highest point of the ridge we will see spectacular views of Mt. Hamilton and Santa Clara Valley. For both trails we will take a moderate to leisurely pace in order to enjoy wildflowers, views, the pleasant oak woodland and creeks. This is one of our favorite hikes. For those wishing an easy hike after lunch instead of a climb to a view, try the half-mile stroll along a paved nature trail and across a meadow dotted with oaks and walnut trees and along Llagas Creek. Watch for the active colony of ground squirrels in the meadow as well as deer, a bobcat, strutting turkeys, quail, and song birds.

Coming from central San Jose, take Almaden Expressway to McKean Road past Calero Lake and boat ramp all the way to Casa Loma Road. Turn right onto Casa Loma Road and drive to the Casa Loma Entrance to Rancho Canada del Oro. If coming down 101, turn right onto Bailey Road, turn left onto McKean and make a right on Casa Loma Road.

If you have any questions call Barbara or Henry Bender at 408-225-3039

Travel Adventure

Sicily, Heart of the Mediterranean

with 2 nights in Rome

May 12 - 27, 2016

Visit the beautiful island of Sicily. We will stay in the lovely cities Taormina, Syracuse, Agrigento, Palermo and Rome. Stroll the markets, visit medieval seaside towns, and take a walk through Corleone, the city made famous in the Godfather novel. We will take an excursion to the Valley of the Temples, see some ancient Greek ruins and the Temple of Concordia, and have lunch with a Sicilian family at their country house. We will have a guided tour of Ortygia, the historical gem of Siracusa where we experience medieval streets, and Baroque structures. In our stay in Taormina, we will visit the city's greatest landmark, the Greco-Roman amphitheater, built in the third century BC. Our tour will take us to towering Mount Etna, Europe's largest active volcano. In Mitogio, we will experience a traditional home-hosted lunch by another Sicilian family. In Rome, after breakfast, we will have a panoramic tour of the city and see a number of landmarks and monuments that depict the history of this beautiful city.

This amazing 15-day tour is priced at **\$4,345** (air Included) per person, double occupancy or single occupancy (yes, no single supplement charge), also includes transportation from San Jose to SFO, air taxes and fees, hotels and 26 meals: 14 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 7 dinners. Brochure available upon request.

Information Meeting: Monday, July 20, 2015, 11:30 AM

Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant

113 Bernal Road, San Jose

Contact: **Bob Martinez 408-778-2978 cell 408-835-3393**, e-mail: bobloves2travel@yahoo.com

IBM Club Movie Event

Saturday, June 13, 2015, 9:30 am. AMC Saratoga

JURASSIC WORLD

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