



Silicon Valley IBM Retiree & Alumni Club Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

I hope all of you have enjoyed the Independence Day Holiday celebrating yet another year for our great country. Our Club President George Walker is still on medical leave. However, he and his wife were able to join us at the picnic for a short visit.

We are all looking forward to the time he will be rejoining the team. Speaking of the picnic, it was well attended and the weather, food, libation and visiting ole friends were excellent. Plans are in place for our next event (Afternoon in the Vineyard) on Friday August 7th and it's shaping up to be yet another fun event. Reservation form is below.

Bernie Coullahan , Past President

Afternoon in the Vineyard

Friday, August 7, 2015, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Not the Chianti region in Italy, but as close as you can come without taking a long plane ride. How better to spend a few hours catching up, reliving the past or planning the future under the big tent at an Italianesque villa, surrounded by vineyards and low foothills.

Enjoy a nice catered lunch, as last year, of chicken bernardo, tortellini pomodoro, vegetables, mixed green salad with balsamic dressing, rosemary rolls, and Italian rum cake for dessert. Several wines are available for purchase, by the glass or bottle at the event, and the tasting room will be open before and after.

Arrive as early as 11:00 am at the Guglielmo Winery on East Main in Morgan Hill and park across the street at Live Oak High School. Cost is \$30 per person and the reservation form is below.

Contacts: George Nale 408-779-4275, George Walker 408-268-7623, Kris Bholra 408-683-2128.

This event is co-sponsored by the IBM Quarter Century Club.

SV IBM Retiree & Alumni Club "Afternoon in the Vineyard"

Friday, August 7, 2014, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Guglielmo Winery in Morgan Hill, **\$30** per person

Reservation Deadline: July 31, 2015. No Tickets Will Be Sold At the Event!!

Menu: chicken bernardo, salad, rosemary rolls, dessert, coffee and soft drinks, wine for sale

Cancellations must be received by July 31, 2015, if you wish a refund!

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 to help those who need them.

Reservation Form

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Phone: _____ 2nd Guest: _____

Total number of persons who will attend _____ X \$30 = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to SV IBM RETIREE & ALUMNI CLUB, and mark the memo field VINEYARD.

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IBM Retiree & Alumni Club**

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Membership Report

Bev Baker

June 18, 2015

Active Members: 1659

Newsletters mailed:

57 in March (they subscribed)

Members who read online: 1435,
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

**Julie Chiu
Kathleen Lyon
Daniel Schumacher**

from June newsletter

**Gwen Cox
Leland Lowe
Barbara Manegold
Ian Nash**

In Memoriam

**Stephen J. King
Ken Ryan
Charles Edward Splaine
Robert F. Stevens**

from June newsletter

**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

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

Sal Garcia has been released from the
hospital and is now at home recovering
from a ruptured abdominal vein and is
feeling much better.

Topsy Thompson is recovering from gall
bladder surgery and, although she is very
tired, she is enjoying visits and calls from
friends. She expects to be back on the
bowling alley soon.

Olga Walters is home after hip replace-
ment, using a walker and in no pain. She
is very happy with the results.

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

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Silicon Valley

IBM Retiree and Alumni Club web site:

ibmsjrc.org

San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club
web site:

sjqcc.com

Next Club Board Meeting:

Thursday, July 16, 2015, 10:00 AM

LDS Church

150 Bernal Road

San Jose, CA 95119

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, July 14, 2015, 5:00 pm

Picasa Web Albums

Google+ Photo Sharing

Google Photos

Contact: Walt Cole, 408-972-1178

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
July 7, 2015	Indian Casinos: Red Hawk	2	6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
July 14, 2015	PC Club -The New Google Photos		2	Walt Cole	408-972-1178
July 16, 2015	IBM SV Retiree/Alumni Club Board Meeting		2	George Walker	408 268-7623
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		6	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
Dec 1, 2015	Annual Club Holiday Party		-	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Apr 2-14, 2016	Eastern Europe to the Black Sea	4	8	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
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		5	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978

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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 2015 events with contacts are listed at the right.

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.

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.

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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**

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

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)

June, 2015

Our summer league is off to a good start. 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..

After 3 weeks these are our top bowlers:

1st place: **3 80's and Somebody Else** - Faye Fritz, Don Creps, Bill Hooper, and Fred Mitchell. If you don't know them I guess you will have to join us to see who the Somebody Else is.

2nd place: **Team 8** - Bev Ross, Stu Mass, and Rick Oliver. They are new to our league and can use another bowler for their team.

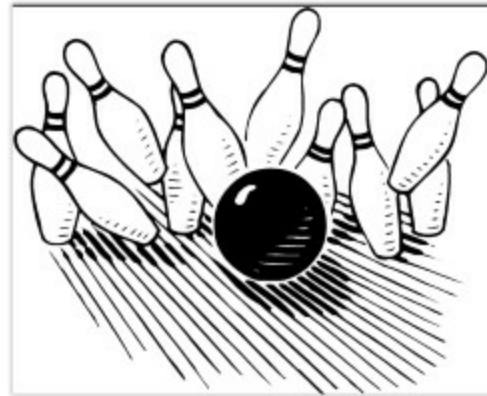
WOMEN

SCRATCH GAME
230 Diane Mayeda
SCRATCH SERIES
570 Faye Fritz
HANDICAP GAME
289 Diane Mayeda
HANDICAP SERIES
669 Faye Fritz

MEN

SCRATCH GAME
259 Rich Gavino
SCRATCH SERIES
650 Dennis Pitchford
HANDICAP GAME
284 Dave Fitting
HANDICAP SERIES
713 Dennis Pitchford

Carol Hughes, secretary, 408-224-1739



Casino Trips

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,
topyray4314@att.net

Red Hawk Casino
Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Hot August Nights, Reno
August 5-6, 2015

Reno Getaway
October 18-20, 2015

Tee-2-Tee Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

June 4, 2015: The results of the June outing are:

Low Net:

1 st	Don Streicher	57	
2 nd	Gwen Campbell	58	Closest-to-Pin #16: Rich Campbell 5' 5"
3 rd	Dave Fitting	59	
4 th	Ray Jelesky	61	

The next golf date is Thursday, July 2, the DeDe Corral Memorial. It will be a year since her passing.

After July, the dates are August 6 and September 3. 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

Rancho Canada-West June 1, 2015. The Story-of-the-Day goes to Denise Giffin. It seems that Denise developed the uncanny ability to hit trees on almost every hole on the course. Now, it has always been the presumption that golfers are under the impression that when a golf ball is headed towards a tree, it is almost a known fact that trees are 90% air, and a golf ball should sail right through without hitting anything solid! Well, much to her dismay, Denise disapproved that theory. However, she vowed to make an adjustment! She said she will replace one of her clubs with a chainsaw! And, if any tree messes with her, she will take the necessary action to realign the "Laws of the Universe" back to their gravitational pull, which should return her misdirected golf balls to the center of the fairway! So, all of you trees out there, consider this fair warning.....BEWARE! Denise means business! We had a turnout of 40 golfers.

Place/Score

Team

1 / 119	Lou Tolbert	James Taubodo	Ryan Kelly	Lew Johnson
2 / 125	Rich Hislip	Marilynn VanDyke	Bob Graves	Len Procker
3 / 127*	Mel Rodinsky	Pat Boyd	Rich Campbell	Milton Loo
3 / 127*	Jim Sitter	Dan Tautges	Bob Foote	Dick Liu

* = 2 teams tied for 3rd place

Closest-To-Pin:

#3

#7

#11

#16

	Men	1st Dick Liu 8' 4"	Lou Tolbert 11' 1"	Mel Rodinsky 13' 8"	Larry Villatore 5' 11"
		2nd Dennis Niemeyer 20' 9"	Richard Mace 18' 1"	Greg Seaton 14' 9"	Lew Johnson 7' 6"
		3rd Ed Jones 22' 1"	Jim Sitter 34' 7"	Bob Housholder 16' 7"	Troy Garcia 28' 1"
	Ladies	1st	Nina Correa 42' 0"	Rosalie Baylot 31' 0"	Kathy La Scola 24' 10"
		2nd			Fran Jones 32' 0"

Future

Course

Cost/Due Date

Notes

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
September 14	Aptos Seascape	\$50.00/August 21	Includes Cart-Includes Prize Fund. Format = 2 best ball foursome
October 5	Pajaro Valley	\$40.00/September 16	Cart Optional-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
- 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**.
- 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

Here is the final photo of Building 005 on the old Cottle Road IBM plant site. On the July 4th holiday, it was demolished.



Eastern Europe to the Black Sea, April 2 – April 14, 2016

A twelve-day small ship (140 passenger) river cruise - along the Danube River to the Black Sea, stepping ashore in five Eastern European Nations to enjoy guided tours in Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria, and Romania – to visit both old world villages and rejuvenated world capitals. Enjoy a home-hosted lunch in Croatia, witness nature’s amazing Iron Gates (Life Under Communism) while cruising between Serbia and Romania. Discover what life is really here during exclusive discovery discussions with the locals, and much more. After you conclude the cruise portion of your vacation in the historical port city of Constanta, you’ll travel by land to Bucharest, where you’ll spend a day amidst the tree lined boulevards of Romania’s capital city.

Cabins on this 12 day tour start at **\$2,795 – 3,895** pp double occupancy, (single accommodations are available for an extra \$595) – plus international air fare departing from San Francisco at \$1,300 – a big convenience for locals. We will board the M/S River Concerto, a ship that has a 95% ‘Ship Excellence’ record.

The price includes 32 meals: 11 breakfasts, 10 lunches, and 11 dinners. These include all beverages; beer, wine, soft drinks, etc. **Book now – reserve your cabin with a \$500 deposit!**

For further information, please contact:

Bill Bartz (408 971 8928), email: bartz.bill@yahoo.com