



IBM Alumni Club Newsletter



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President's Chat

Did you realize that we have gone to a two-tier cost system for our events? It is your Board's intention to spend the remaining monies on those of you who participate in our final three years. Club members and their ONE guest will be at a Club-subsidized cost. Other nonmember guests, such as friends and family will pay the costs we incur to put on the event. We believe it only fair that those of you who have paid into the Club be subsidized.

For an example, see the reservation form for our Annual Picnic below.

We continue to work on honoring IBM's request to be an independent organization by the end of June 2017. I believe we are on schedule to achieve this date.

Happy Spring
George W. Walker

Annual IBM Alumni Club Picnic



**Tuesday, August 15, 2017, 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM, Guglielmo Winery
1480 East Main Ave., Morgan Hill**

Reservation Deadline: August 8, 2017. No refunds/cancellations after this date. *No Tickets Will Be Sold At the Event!!*

Menu: ANDY'S Bar-B-Que meats, and all the trimmings. (No-host wine available for purchase)

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.

Picnic Reservation Form

Tuesday, August 15, 2017, 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM, *Guglielmo Winery, 1480 East Main Avenue, Morgan Hill*

No tickets will be mailed. You pick them up at the registration table the day of the event.

Member & Guest

\$15 each:

Member Name: _____ Guest Name: _____

Non-Members

\$25 each:

Non-Member Name: _____ Non-Member Name: _____

Total number of persons attending # _____ Amount of check: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to **IBM Alumni Club**,

Mail To: **Bill Souza , 2251 Coronet Dr. , San Jose, CA 95124**

Don't forget to bring old eyeglasses

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sjqcc.com

IBM PC Club Meeting

Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 5:00 pm

Using the Internet Securely

Contact: Walt Cole, 408-674-1401

Membership Report

Bev Baker

April 20, 2017

Active Members: 1654
Newsletters mailed: 40
Members who read online: 1467

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

By U. S. Mail: Walt Cole
5868 Pentz Way, San Jose, CA 95123

New Members

Richard Kelley

Les Moore

In Memoriam

Richard L. "Dick" Alves

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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.*

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

AMC black tickets: \$10.25 (no restrictions)

Cinelux: \$7.25

Century/Cinemark: \$8.50

Payment by check or money order only, made paya-
ble 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**

The above link has been removed since
it does not work.

There is no longer a link on the club
web site called "IBM Club Discounts,"
since it is fairly useless. The old days of
getting substantial discounts are gone.

Sunshine

If you know of anyone who is under
the weather or is facing medical
problems and could use a greeting
card from the Club, please call me
or send an email.

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

Pat Motta 408-264-5821

paelgin@yahoo.com

IBM Alumni Club Board Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2017, 10:00 AM

LDS Church

150 Bernal Road, San Jose, CA 95119

All members are invited.

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

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members of the Club and their families.
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construed to represent an official
position of the Club or the IBM Corpora-
tion.*

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
May 3-16, 2017	Spain Classics and Portugal— <i>Sold Out</i>		—	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978
May 9, 2017	PC Club: Using the Internet Securely		2	Walt Cole	408-674-1401
May 9, 2017	Casino: Redhawk		8	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
May 18, 2017	IBM Alumni Club Board Meeting		2	George Walker	408-268-7623
July 11, 2017	Casino: Black Oaks		8	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
July 17-27, 2017	Alaska Cruise from San Francisco		5	Christina Anhorn	831-438-3437
July 23-28, 2017	2017 IBM Alumni Club Big Hike		—	Bill Desler	408-268-3025
Aug 8-10, 2017	Hot August Nights		8	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Aug 15, 2017	Annual Club Picnic		1	Bill Souza	408-335-9263
Sep 23-Oct 2, 2017	Peru, Land of Mysteries & Machu Picchu		5	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978
Oct 3, 2017	Casino: Palace (Tachi)		8	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Oct 7-14, 2017	Albuquerque Balloon Festival		4	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Nov 7-20, 2017	Italian Vistas: Rome, Tuscany, Venice, Stresa		5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Nov 28, 2017	Casino: Jackson Rancheria		6	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Dec 5, 2017	Annual Club Holiday Party		—	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Apr 12-25, 2018	Spectacular South Africa— <i>New!</i>		6	Bob Martinez	408-778-2978
May 7-19, 2018	Kenya Safari Adventure		4	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Fall, 2020	OBERAMMERGAU— <i>New!</i>		6	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928

Krazy Kampers

We are a group of IBM Alumni belonging to the IBM Camping Club, the Krazy Kampers. The club has been around for over 20 years and we would like to invite other IBM Alumni who like camping to learn about and perhaps join us on our fun campouts. There is a campout almost every month in the area.

2017

June 1-3	Paso Robles	Gil Hernandez	408-315-6163
Sept 14-17	Marble Quarry	Jim Dack	408-266-6951
Oct 5-8	Pismo Beach	Bruce Reed	408-268-5393
Nov 16-18	Casa De Fruta	Dale Jelsema	408-842-1310

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



Albuquerque Balloon Festival October 7 - 14, 2017

Fly from San Jose to Albuquerque, with **Home Pick Up!**

Trip Highlights: La Casa Sena dinner theater, Santa Fe Cooking School dinner/demo, Albuquerque Balloon Festival, Santa Fe, Taos, and Albuquerque city tours, Taos Pueblo and Acoma Sky City Pueblo, Georgia O'Keefe Museum, The International Folk Art Museum, Carlsbad Caverns National Park, Billy the Kid Country in Ruidoso, and the White Sands National Monument.

Tour includes: Professional tour guide, home pick ups. 7 nights accommodations, 3 nights in Santa Fe, 2 nights in Ruidoso, and 2 nights in Albuquerque.

13 meals: 7 Breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 5 dinners.

The Balloon Festival is on Day 8.

All applicable taxes and all gratuities for driver and guides are included.

Total package is **\$2995**, double occupancy, \$3645 single occupancy.

Air fares are based on 2016 rates, and may change a bit in 2017.

Deposit with Insurance = \$489, double, \$542 single; without Insurance = \$250 double or single.

Deposit of \$250 per person due at signup. Final payment due July 15, 2017.

The brochure is much more descriptive than I can be here!

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

Kenya Safari Adventure

May 7 – 19, 2018

A ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE

An Opportunity to Witness the Greatest Animal Show on Earth

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

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

You get a window seat in a safari vehicle, professional safari guides and luggage handling.

Driver/guide gratuity, all applicable taxes and the Visa processing fee included.

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

Total package: single -\$5720, double - \$5355. Land only – single - \$4610, double - \$4245

Total package price is based on Nov 6-18, 2017. May 2018 pricing not available until June 2017.

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

Travel Adventures

Peru, Ancient Land of Mysteries and Machu Picchu September 23 - October 2, 2017

The tour starts in the lovely city of Lima, Peru, the City of Kings. Witness the Changing of the Guard at the Archbishops Palace, and take in the breathtaking Andes. This evening enjoy a tasting menu of artfully created Peruvian dishes. Next we fly to Cuzco, where we will visit Sacred Valley of the Incas. We will visit the Pisac village to browse the colorful handicraft market and enjoy an authentic Pachamca dinner, cooked on hot stones that are placed in the ground. We will visit the amazing Ollantaytambo Ruins, the only Inca settlement that has been continually inhabited since its inception. Then we start our amazing adventure to visit the most spectacular site in South America, Machu Picchu. We will travel via a Vistadome train with domed windows so that you can take in the breathtaking views along the way. Our hotel for this night is at the base of Machu Picchu, and we will enjoy an exclusive culinary demonstration. In Cuzco we will visit the Cathedral of Santo Domingo, the Plaza de Armas, and visit the central market. We are treated to an authentic folklore show. Then we catch a plane to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca, known as the birth place of the Inca Empire. Enjoy the lakeside hotel and your evening at leisure. Enjoy a morning cruise to the floating Islands of the Uros people of Lake Titicaca, who formed these islands from tortora reeds.

The cost of this 10 day tour, with air, is **\$4,299**, double occupancy. This includes hotel, round trip air from SFO, included excursions, transfers and a coach to and from the San Francisco airport. Also included are 15 meals: 9 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 5 dinners.

Brochures available upon request and we will email them if you like. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me, **Bob Martinez, 408-778-2978**, cell **408-835-3393** or **bobloves2travel@yahoo.com**

Alaska

July 17 - 27, 2017

Ten days on The Grand Princess San Francisco round trip

This is the season when summer evenings linger into the early hours of the night and sun wakes you before it is time to get up.

After a couple of days at sea, the Grand Princess will take us to Juneau, the capital of Alaska with the Russian influence. Cruise Glacier Bay National Park with hopes to see some of the amazing world of marine life. Visit Skagway, the gateway to Klondike, and Ketchikan's steep hillsides where you can watch the salmon trying to climb the ladders up the river. After a relaxing day at sea we reach the lovely town of Victoria, B.C. There are many opportunities on this trip to sightsee. You may visit museums, go to the eagle sanctuary, take a helicopter ride to a glacier, ride the train, pan for gold, tour Butchart Gardens and visit one of the oldest Chinatowns in the U.S.

Cost: **\$2550** (and up) per person, double occupancy.

For a brochure or more information contact: **Christina Anhorn, 831-438-3437 home, 831-818-4313 cell, leswede@aol.com**

Italian Vistas: Rome, Sorrento, Tuscany, Venice, Stresa

November 7 - 20, 2017

Ah, the essence of 'la dolce vita' is explored through the cuisine, art and landscapes of Italy, from its iconic cities to its brilliant Bay of Naples. Stay in 6 hotels and enjoy taking day trips from your key hotels.

Explore Rome with an expert guide and soak in 2,000 years of history during your discovery of the excavated ruins of Pompeii. A scenic boat ride takes you to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Then to Tuscany and see Michelangelo's famed David statue. Explore medieval towns and UNESCO world sites. Visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa. A special stop is made at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample local wines & specialties. Cross the Apennine Mountains en-route to Venice where 117 islands are connected by 150 canals and 400 bridges. In Venice explore St. Mark's Square and Basilica, Doge's Palace and the legendary Bridge of Sighs. Embark on yet another boat trip to Murano Island for a glass blowing demonstration. Explore Verona, the backdrop for Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet. Later arrive in the resort town of Stresa in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District and admire the beautiful view of Lago Maggiore. Next day cross into Switzerland and lakeside resort of Locarno. Stay in a resort hotel overlooking our dinner spot on the lovely Isola die Pescatori. Travel there by boat for a wonderful dinner surrounded by beautiful scenery.

Our base price trip of 13 days includes air and land from SFO for **\$4899**. Or use your own air accommodations and purchase the 12 day land-only tour for **\$3849** per person. Ask about Frequent Traveler Credit. We will also offer a few optional day tours throughout our trip.

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

Travel Adventures



OBERRAMMERGAU – THE FALL OF 2020

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

This is the story of how a plague swept across Europe in the 1600's. In desperation, the town council made a solemn vow that if God would stop the plague, they would present a play depicting the life and suffering of Christ for the duration of their existence.

So, it continues every 10 years.

The trip includes Geneva, Heidelberg, Worms, Rhineland, plus 7 other stops, then Oberammergau and Munich.

I'm starting a list of potential participants.

The dates and prices have not been announced yet, but interest is always high.

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

Spectacular South Africa

April 12 – 25, 2018

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



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

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

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

INFORMATION MTG... Tuesday, May 23, 2017, 11:00 am.

Sweet Tomatoes, 113 Bernal Road, San Jose, Ca. 95119

Brochures will be available at the meeting. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me, **Bob Martinez, 408-778-2978, cell 408-835-3393 or at bobloves2travel@yahoo.com**

Tee-2-Tee Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

April 6, 2017: Ten golfers showed up on sort of a nasty day.

Results: Low Net:

1st: Ed Wright 53 Closest to the pin, hole 16:
 2nd: Bob Frogner 58 Don Streicher
 3rd: Rich Campbell 59
 4th: Bill Bartz & Darrel Jensen 61

The next golf dates are Thursdays, May 4 and June 1. Play starts at **10:00 am** sharp. Be there by **9:30 am** to sign in and get your lunch ticket.

If you wish to play, call or email Bill Bartz or Darrel Jensen and bring your check to the golf course on the day of the tournament.

Make checks payable for **\$26.00** to "Tee-2-Tee Golf."

You will receive a round of golf, a sandwich, a soft drink and maybe prize money!

If it rains, call the Deep Cliff Golf Course to find out if we have canceled, 408-253-5357, extension 5.

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

Par Tee Golf

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

Laguna Seca – April 3, 2017. The trick Shot-of-the-Day goes to Kathy La Scola. On #6, a 318-yard par 4, Kathy hit her 2nd second shot which struck a huge boulder (Laguna Seca uses a large boulder to mark the 150 yard distance to the green) and her ball bounced backwards about 60 yards! Lousy but funny shot Kathy! We had 42 golfers. The format of play was "2 Best Ball Foursome." Here are the results:

Place/Score	Team			
1 / 122	Lou Tolbert	James Taubodo	Willie Abraham	Bill Irish
2 / 123	Andy La Scola	Kathy La Scola	Tom Baker	Bill Irish*
3 / 124	Terry Gray	Dennis Niemeyer	Lewis Brady	Greg Turner

* = Blind Draw

Closest-To-Pin	#2	#8	#12	#14	#17
Men	Paul Cavagnolo	Ray Jelesky	Andy La Scola	AJ Hart	Dennis Mitchell
	Ram Hays	Ron Scaglione	Lewis Brady	Tony Scalora	Lou Tolbert
	Willie Abraham	Kurt Aichele		Jim DeLong	Justin Soe
Ladies		Kathy La Scola		Geri Nielsen	

Looking ahead at our schedule:

Date	Course	Cost/Deadline	Notes
May 8	Carmel Valley Ranch	\$60/April 19	Includes Green Fee, Prize Fund & Range balls Format = 2 Best Ball Foursome
June 12	Spring Hills	\$35/May 24	Includes Prize Fund -Cart Optional Format: 2 Best Ball foursome
July 10	Deep Cliff	\$35/June 21	Includes Prize Fund & Lunch Coupon- Cart is Optional (Only 18 carts available! First come, First Served! Reserve, if needed!) Format = "Team Scramble-Wilson Handicap System"

Notes:

-) Please send your checks to play in tournaments early! The P.O. Box is noted below. This will eliminate having to wait in line at the golf course and will allow me to better award prizes! Please, please, please help me out on this!
-) IBM Retirees and friends are welcome to play in the Par Tee Golf Club Tournaments.
-) Check the IBM Alumni Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org for Par Tee Golf information, rules and results.
-) Proper golf attire is required at ALL of the courses that we play. That means "Jeans" or "Levi's" are NOT allowed.
-) To get an "NCGA" Membership Card through the Par Tee Golf Club, contact Terry Gray @ (408) 629-8893, or send an email to: tgolf18@aol.com The cost is \$52.00.
-) Make all checks payable to "Par Tee Golf." Please make your checks for only one tournament at a time. (If you are signing up for two tournaments, send two checks). The mailing address for signups is:

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

Include your GHIN number and your e-mail address (if I don't have already have them). Indicate which foursome you wish to play with, or I will assign you to one. (Note: If you do not sign up as a foursome, your group may be split up.)

Bowling

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

We are still having a good time and thinking of the Summer League that will start May 24.

If you would like to join our league for the summer just call me before then.

Current leaders:

Team 8 - *Unbowlievable* - Bev Ross, Jesse Cornejo, Ingrid Baxter & Rick Oliver.

Team 9 - *Spare Us* - Lanh Hoyle, Chuck Lane & Bob Goetz.

We have 10 teams signed to bowl summer league. If you want to join us, come on down to Morgan Hill on May 24th.

High Scratch Game	Men:	Rich Gavino	300	Women:	Bev Ross	251
High Scratch Series	Men:	Rich Gavino	745	Women:	Bev Ross	594
High Handicap Game	Men:	Rich Gavino	300	Women:	Bev Ross	281
High Handicap Series	Men:	Rich Gavino	745	Women:	Lize Johannes	713

Carol Hughes, Secretary, 408-224-1739

Casino Trips

May 9, 2017	Red Hawk Indian Casino
July 11, 2017	Black Oaks Indian Casino
August 8-10, 2017	Hot August Nights
October 3, 2017	Palace (Tachi) Indian Casino
November 28, 2017	Jackson Rancheria Indian Casino

All the day trips will be at least a 5 hour stay.

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

Depart: 7:30 am. Openings exist for all trips. *Call today!*

Contacts: **Topsy Thompson, 408-377-4314, or**
Sandy Suekawa, 408-225-5629, sandysuekawa@yahoo.com