



San Jose IBM Retirement Club Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S CHAT

Happy New Year!- I hope all of you and your families had a happy and healthy holiday.

Welcome to the 2012 Officers. I am looking forward to working with you to meet the challenges for the coming year.

Holiday Party: Thanks to Bud Souza, Marlys Silver, Bess Nicocia, Bill Bartz, DeDe Corral, Pat Falkowski, Josie Supencheck and Art Dill for their help to make this year's Holiday Party a success.

If you missed it, plan to make it in 2012.

Reminder: Hardcopy newsletters will only be mailed in odd number months in 2012.

A newsletter for each month will be available online, as has been the case since August, 2004.

Planning:-The tour committee and other activity committees are busy planning the various activities for 2012. Keep checking the newsletters for dates and descriptions. Look forward to a very active year. Save the date for the Annual Picnic - Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

Bill Souza—President

Adopt-A-Highway

There was no clean up in December. Clean ups will resume in 2012.

Schedule: Meet in the VTA Parking Lot 8:45 AM, Second Wednesday, January 11, 2012

Caller: **Barbara Pugh 265-2466, kenosha@juno.com**

Contact: **Doug & Evelyn Dean, 264-9502, dougnevie@comcast.net**

Eyeglasses Report for 2011

Our club continues to send used eyeglasses to a doctor who distributes them to poor people around the world who need them. If you have old eyeglasses you don't need anymore, bring them to a club event or call Ruth Price.

There were 111 pairs donated in 2010, and 167 pairs in 2011.

Picnic – 36

Annual Meeting – 39

Holiday Party – 28

Miscellaneous – 64

Contact: **Ruth Price, 356-8975, ruthprice@comcast.net**

Day Trips

These trips originally sold out. A second bus is being arranged for each one.

Golden Girls Of Pop Lunchtime Cabaret

Valentine's Day, February 14, 2012

Long-time favorite Marianne Kent sings songs made famous by female pop vocal stars at a lunchtime cabaret show at Castagnola's in San Francisco. From Peggy Lee to Judy Garland, Rosemary Clooney to Doris Day, this is a live cabaret revue with musical nostalgia, remembering some of our favorite female entertainers. There will be free time to browse waterfront shops prior to the performance.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- for **\$95** 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**

A Sea-Glass Adventure

Friday, March 16, 2012

We're headed to Watsonville to visit ANNIEGLASS, a recognized name in the artistic, entertainment and hospitality industries. ANNIEGLASS is sold at luxury retailers such as Neiman Marcus, Bergdorf Goodman and Bloomingdale. We'll see artists at work and have the opportunity to shop for beautiful glassware pieces as well. Midday we'll visit the Davenport Roadhouse Restaurant for a 3-course hosted luncheon. In the afternoon we'll enjoy a guided tour of a working marine laboratory, Seymour Marine Discovery Center, featuring exhibit halls, aquarium, touch tanks, Ocean Discovery Shop, and unsurpassed vistas of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- for **\$86** per person.

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

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ibmsjrc.org

Next Club Board Meeting:
Thursday, January 19, 2012, 10:00 AM
Meriwest Credit Union
Chesbro and Blossom Hill Road

IBM PC Club Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2012, 5:00 PM
Thunderbird,
the open source e-mail client program
www.sjpc.org
Contact: Walt Cole, 972-1178

Membership Report

Ed Mueller

December 15, 2011

Membership Numbers:

December, 2001: 1860
December, 2010: 2157
December, 2011: 2152 (1)
Currently reading online: 1363 (0)
Currently receiving paper copy: 333 (-3)
Currently not doing either: 502 (1)

Change of Address

Send your new mailing address, your new e-mail address, your new phone number, or a request for on-line newsletters or a request for mailed paper newsletters to Ed Mueller.

By e-mail: membership@ibmsjrc.org

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New Members

Steven Foss
James Dousman

In Memoriam

Charles V. Boyd
David E. Brewer
Bernard Gordon
John Schmidt
Hugh M. Sierra
Charles Walton

from December 2011 newsletter

Dwayne Coate
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Nora Jue
Rita June Lynott
Richard Hideki Mori
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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

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
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Ticket Hours:

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

Discount tickets to many places are
online at the IBM Club website:

Great America
Gilroy Gardens
Raging Waters
California Academy of Sciences
6 Flags Discovery Kingdom
Monterey Bay Aquarium
Computer History Museum
Universal Studios
SeaWorld
Knotts Berry Farm
Disneyland

*There is a new 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*

Sunshine Report

Neighbors **Marla Fiehmann** and **Glenna Corsen** missed the Holiday Party, as both were hospitalized. They were, ironically, neighbors in the hospital as well. Marla's hospital stay was brief, but Glenna needed longer to recover from injuries sustained in a fall.

Don Creps is again recovering from surgery. Inez tells me he is home and doing well.

As always, on behalf of the board, I send best wishes to all retirees for an enjoyable and healthy retirement.

Terry Milinic'
(408) 265-5908
theresano1@yahoo.com

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Jan 10 , 2012	PC Club – Thunderbird for e-mail		2	Walt Cole	972-1178
Jan 10, 2012	Indian Casino: Cache Creek	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Jan 11, 2012	Adopt-A-Highway Clean Up	3	1	Evelyn & Doug Dean	264-9502
Jan 19 , 2012	IBM Retirement Club Board Meeting		2	Bill Souza	356-6280
Jan 20, 2012	Hike: Coyote Hills Regional Park		8	Jim & Maya D’Anjou	779-1292
Feb 14, 2012	Golden Girls of Pop Luncheon	2	1	Bill Souza	356-6280
Feb 24, 2012	Hike: Shoreline Park		8	Gil & Julie Feller	247-6769
March 4-6, 2012	Reno: Silver Legacy	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
March 16, 2012	A Sea-Glass Adventure	2	1	Bill Souza	356-6280
March 17, 2012	A Day at the Track- Horse Racing	2	5	George Nale	779-4275
April 3-13, 2012	Mexican Riviera Cruise	2	4	Bud Souza	340-0082
May 7-19, 2012	Italian Vistas	2	4	Bob Martinez	778-2978
May 8, 2012	Indian Casino: Palace	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
May 22, 2012	Annual Club Picnic		–	Bud Souza	340-0082
June 10-18, 2012	The Wonders of Iceland	3	4	George Walker	268-7623
July 10, 2012	Indian Casino: Black Oak	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
July 12, 2012	Belvedere & Tiburon Landmarks	2	6	Bill Souza	356-6280
Aug 30, 2012	Coastal Creations	2	5	Bill Souza	356-6280
Sep 7-20, 2012	China, Yangtze River Cruise	3	4	George Walker	268-7623
Sep 9-11, 2012	Indian Casinos:Reno	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314
Sep 18, 2012	Kendell Jackson, Kozlowski & Alembic	2	6	Bill Souza	356-6280
Oct 24-Nov 5, 2012	Breathtaking South Africa	4	5	Art Dill	(831) 338-3069
Nov 6, 2012	Indian Casino: Thunder Valley	2	6	Topsy Thompson	377-4314

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 Trips

Italian Vistas

May 7 - 19, 2012

Visit the beautiful cities of Rome, Venice, Florence, Vietri-Sul-Mare and Stresa. Ride along the breathtaking Amalfi Coast, with views of its spectacular sparkling blue seas. We will visit the ancient Colosseum and Forum in Rome, step back 2000 years in time to the city of Pompeii, see the Bay of Naples and the charming hillside villages. A scenic boat ride takes us to the enchanting Isle of Capri where you can stroll through the town's quaint streets, and past charming cafes. Travel through Tuscany, with its beautiful scenery, colorful countryside and vineyards. Visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa, see the amazing marble sculpture of David, and take in the breathtaking Italian Lakes district of Stresa. We visit the picturesque lakeside resort of Locarno in Switzerland. Just a boat ride away, our farewell dinner will be at the scenic Isola dei Pescatori.

This amazing 13-day tour is priced at **\$4,599** (air included) per person, double occupancy and also includes transportation from San Jose to SFO, air taxes and fees, hotel and 25 meals: 18 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 6 dinners.

Brochure available upon request.

Contact: Bob Martinez (408) 778-2978 cell (408) 835-3393,
e-mail: bob.martinez47@yahoo.com

Mexican Riviera Princess Cruise

April 3-13, 2012

Ports of Call:

- San Francisco
- Catalina Island
- Puerto Vallarta
- Mazatlan
- Cabo San Lucas
- San Diego

Included Cruise Features:

- 10-night Star Princess Cruise
- Roundtrip transfers to/from San Francisco Pier
- All meals and entertainment aboard ship
- Driver & Stevedor Tips
- Port Taxes (\$250.00) per person & Gov't Fees (\$75.00)
- Travel Insurance is included for pre-existing medical conditions.
- One bottle of wine per cabin
- Luggage handling
- No airplane problems...

Get your reservation in early for the best available cabin.

This will fill fast so don't dilly-dally...

Cabin prices start at **\$1685** while they last!

Contact:

Bud Souza, (408) 340-0082 or email: buds2@mindspring.com

The Wonders Of Iceland

June 10-18, 2012

Join George and Carole Walker and discover the dramatic contrasts of the landscape forged by fire and ice. The fascinating history of Iceland dates back to the Vikings yet this island nation has a proud, progressive society. We will see steaming fumaroles, hot springs, spectacular two-tiered waterfalls, go on a glacier cruise and spend time at a Puffin sanctuary. We will visit an Icelandic horse farm and quaint fishing villages. The cost of this trip will be \$3,649 per person, double occupancy, including air, taxes, hotels, most meals, surcharges and transfers.

Information meeting

*Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM,
Fresh Choice, Blossom Hill and Almaden
Refreshments served. Please RSVP.*

For more information, contact
George Walker (408) 268-7623 or
gwalker95120@yahoo.com.

China – Cruising the Yangtze River

September 7-20, 2012

(optional Hong Kong post tour)

Our tour starts in cultural and old traditional Shanghai and includes an amazing acrobatic show. We will savor a Peking Duck dinner, a dumpling meal and see the fascinating process of noodle throwing! We will board a river cruiser to experience four days of cruising the Yangtze River. We will marvel at the natural beauty of the Three Gorges and progress by the Dam and through the five-step ship locks. In Chongqing we will see the pandas and have free time to shop in Guilin. Next stop is Xian, the home of the famous Terra Cotta soldiers. In Beijing we tour the famous sights you have only read about. Our last days will include the Great Wall, the valley of the Ming Dynasty and we will even see the Olympic venues. This trip is \$5,054 per person, double occupancy, and includes air, taxes, surcharges, cancellation insurance, all meals, hotels and transfers.

An optional 3 day guided tour to Hong Kong is available following this. A great way to get your holiday shopping completed!

Information meeting

*Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM,
Fresh Choice, Blossom Hill and Almaden
Refreshments served. Please RSVP.*

George Walker (408) 268-7623 or gwalker95120@yahoo.com.

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. Here are some of the upcoming events with contact people listed.

January 19-21, 2012	Sacramento Cal Expo	Bruce Jones	(707) 673-7100
February 23-25, 2012	Pismo Beach	Mel Rinehart	(408) 225-1677
March 15-17, 2012	Marina Dunes	Don Walker	(408) 779-5961
April 19-21, 2012	Paso Robles	Dale Jelsema	(408) 842-1310
August 9-11, 2012	Bodega Bay	Bill Bartz	(408) 971-8928

Travel Trips

Breathtaking South Africa

October 24 – Nov. 5, 2012

a BUCKET LIST must do! Optional 3 night Victoria Falls Extension

Experience breathtaking mountain scenery, winding coastlines, abundant wildlife, a country with a world of treasures. You will be staying in the famous Kruger National Park, along the Garden Route & the breathtaking Featherbed Nature Reserve, on to the Stellenbosch Mountains and the beautiful wine lands. Delight at the whales in Walker Bay and then on to the wonders of Cape of Good Hope. Visit Cape Town with gorgeous Table Mountain, Victoria and Albert Harbor. The city shows traditions of French, German and Dutch influences and charming coastal scenery. No Euro exchange. US\$ still strong in South Africa.

Trip Highlights:

- Travel the spectacular Drakensburg Mountain Range and Blyde Canyon.
- Kruger National Park –6 Safari Game Drives. Dazzling herds of African wildlife.
- Lake St. Lucia World Heritage Site & lagoon cruise.
- Fly to the beginning of the famous Garden Route.
- Stellenbosch Mountains and lunch at the winery.
- Captivating Cape Town. We'll take a panoramic tour of this beautiful harbor-side city.
- Cape Point, & penguins at Boulder Beach
- Traditional African dining experience.
- Be a special guest of a prominent Hermanus family for a lobster dinner(if we can catch enough lobster.) These folks know how to party.

Included:

The price of the tour including all airfare is **\$5575** per person double occupancy and includes current taxes and surcharges. Tour limit is 18 persons.

Single Supplement **\$998**. IBM/SFO and all transfers, entrance fees to visits and tours per itinerary, baggage handling, daily breakfast and many other meals. Optional Victoria Falls extension is **\$930** per person (double).

Contact: **Art and Sharry Dill** for brochure.

(831) 338-3069 www.arthdill@comcast.net

Day Trips

A Day at the Races

Saturday, March 17, 2012

Join us for a day at beautiful Golden Gate Fields. The best jockeys in our part of the USA will be racing

for the big bucks, pushing their thoroughbred mounts as they gallop for the finish line. Lots of color and excitement, either from the very comfortable clubhouse or down by the track. Have an excellent buffet lunch and watch the action on the track as well as at other tracks around the country (via TV feed).

Tour includes round trip transportation via luxury coach, turf club admission, racing program and the buffet.

Total cost to go, excluding betting and drinks, is **\$80** per person. It is usually a grand day, particularly if you pick a couple of winners.

For reservations, contact

George or Isobel Nale at (408) 779-4275 or georgesbest30@live.com.

Coastal Creations

Thursday, August 30, 2012

Visit Magnus Sanbloom, the Firewood Farms woodcarver, and be delighted as you watch a carved bear created. You might even be the lucky person who gets to take it home...free of charge! Time will allow for shopping next door at the Spanish Town featuring unique shops including beautiful art and antiques, Nepalese/Tibetan/Indian imports, and very colorful Mexican jewelry and gifts, and a wonderful statuary shop. Included is a hosted lunch at Half Moon Bay Joe's.

After lunch we're off to the Gamble House & Gardens. We'll visit this beautiful 2.5 acre property touring the home, carriage house and gardens guided by a knowledgeable docent who will share historical and horticultural information.

Deluxe motorcoach; all gratuities included.

All this for **\$85** 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

Day Trips

Kendall Jackson Wine Center, Kozlowski Farms & Alembic Tuesday, September 18, 2012

Visit Kendall Jackson Wine Center for a guided tour of the extensive gardens, including the wine sensory, culinary herbs & edible flowers, international cuisine and stunning flower gardens. Wine tasting is included. Then visit Kozlowski Farms for shopping, tasting, and picnic lunch at this fantastic family farm, apple orchard, and retail shop. Next enjoy a guided tour to see Master craftsmen at work at Alembic whose goal is to create the finest quality American made instruments ever known. While they are best known for basses, they also make outstanding guitars, preamps, and accessories.

Deluxe motorcoach; all gratuities -- all this for \$72 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**

Belvedere & Tiburon Landmarks Day Tour

Thursday, July 12, 2012

Spend the day touring the picturesque waterfront towns of Belvedere and Tiburon with noted historian Gary Holloway as your guide. See the iconic Old St. Hilary's Landmark Carpenter Gothic Church and Wildflower Preserve, China Cabin, the restored Victorian Social Saloon of the SS China (1856) now a fixture on the waterfront and the Railroad and Ferry Depot Museum. We'll take a midday break in Tiburon for lunch at Sam's Anchor Cafe.

Deluxe Motorcoach, All Gratuities -- All this for \$95 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**

Indian Casino Trips

Cache Creek Casino
Tuesday, January 10, 2012, \$33

Reno, Silver Legacy
March 4-6, 2012
\$136 per person, single add \$48

Palace Casino
Tuesday, May 8, 2012, \$37

Black Oak Casino
Tuesday, July 10, 2012

Reno Casinos
September 9-11, 2012

Thunder Valley
Tuesday, November 6, 2012

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: 8:00 AM

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

or e-mail: **topray4314@att.net**

Bowling

One More Time 2011/2012 Winter League at "300 San Jose" (behind Oakridge)

Results as of December 7, 2011

1st Place: Team #16, "Up Your Alley"

Marilyn Bianco, Kris Denholm,
Bill Hooper, Jim Balistreri

2nd Place: Team #2, "Marcia's Men"

Wes Berg (just turned 90),
Ernie Bode, Bernie Coullahan,
Marcia Coullahan

Individual Achievements

Women

SCRATCH SERIES

578-Jan Curry
548-Marilyn Bianco
542-Sandy Suekawa

SCRATCH GAME

235-Maria Stout
210-Shirley Beyler

HANDICAP SERIES

723-Andi Jackson
671-Bev Higa
670-Marcia Coullahan

HANDICAP GAME

258-Diane Mayeda
253- Shirley Veal

Men

719- Mario Deharo
608-Jim Balistreri

258-Bernie Coullahan
235-George Zagelow
235-Bill Jeung

720-Fred Mitchell
674-Jim O'Neill

269-Sal Garcia
269-Rick Taomina
265-Ted Head

Can you believe 2011 is over for us? We will be back bowling on January 4, 2012. We do have some openings, so if you would like to come down and bowl with us, we sure would love to have you. Please, won't you join us? We bowl Wednesdays at 9:30 AM.

Topsy Thompson, Secretary, 377-4314



Happy New Year

Short 18-Hole Golf

Deep Cliff Golf Course in Cupertino

December 1, 2011: In spite of the wind, we had a lot of low scores. We also had lots of lost balls, due to the wind dropping leaves on top of the lost balls, making them hard to find. 15 brave souls stuck it out for 18 holes. Winners were:

MEN		WOMEN		
1st	Neil Keever	56	1st DeDe Corral	61
2nd	Ray Jelesky	57	2nd Chris Oba	65
3rd	LeRoy Wallace	58		
	Les Harlow	58		
4th	Armin Kluth	59		
Closest to Pin #16 - Men				
1st	Ray Jelesky	43' 11"		
2nd	Neil Keefer	60' 6"		

The next golf dates are Thursdays, January 5 and February 2, 2012. 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 New Year to All and Happy Golfing to All!
Clara DePaul (408) 294-7041
DeDe Corral (408) 378-6470
& Helen Wehner (408) 264-6296

Par Tee Golf

Los Lagos, December 5, 2011. The "Shot(s)-of-the-Day" go to Marge Condensa, Khanh Nguyen and Rich Stewart. On hole #10, a 452-yard par 5, Marge hit a very nice 3rd shot. Unfortunately, her ball went in the direction of a groundskeeper who was mowing the fairway just in front of her and the mower chewed up her ball! Tough break, Marge! On hole #18, a 558-yard par 5, Khanh chipped his 4th shot into the cup from 30 yards away for Birdie! On hole #4, a 257-yard par 4, Rich hit his 2nd shot from 100 yards away, into the cup for Eagle! Great shots, Khanh & Rich!

This completes my twelfth year as Tournament Director.....Now, on to the thirteenth. I extend my sincerest thanks to all of you who participate in the monthly tournaments. Thanks also to Terry Gray for chairing the membership of the Par Tee Golf Club, and to my lovely wife, Kathy, who verifies your scorecards. The format of play was "Two Best Ball Foursome." We had a nice turnout of 52 players on a beautiful sunny day! Here are the results:

Place/Score	Team				
1 / 108	Rich Hislip	Bob Graves			
2 / 111	Dave Moulton	Chris Groh			
2 / 113	Jerry Condensa	Marge Condensa			
	Marty Satalino	Tim Connolly			
	Ray Schmitt	Phil Nielsen			
	Rich Saito	Ken Fagalde			
Closest-To-Pin	#2	#3	#5	#7	#16
Men	Terry Gray 7' 3"	Chris Groh 4' 1"	Mike Green 8' 2"	Bob Foote 9' 3"	Rich Hislip 2' 10"
	Jerry Condensa 8' 5"	Lou Tolbert 11' 5"	Greg Johnston 11' 7"	Rich Saito 9' 11"	Bill Highlander 3' 0"
	Khanh Nguyen 12' 6"	Darrell Jones 14' 10"	Gil Feller 25' 10"	Don Marsh 10' 5"	Dick Liu 17' 4"
Ladies	Kathy La Scola 11' 5"	Marge Condensa 22' 0"		Chris Oba 24' 7"	

There were fifteen bogey golfers, gross score of 86 or better. They are Khanh Nguyen 71; John Grewohl 73; Terry Gray 75; Rich Stewart 76; Lou Tolbert 78; Dave Moulton & Dennis Niemeyer 79; Jerry Condensa 80; Dennis Mitchell 81; James Taubodo & Pat Arnett 82; Chris Groh 83; Darell Bellah & Rich Saito 84 and Jim Sitter 86. Congratulations to all the winners!

Future	Course	Cost/Due Date	
January 16	Ridgemark-Gabilan	\$45.00/December 30	Includes cart - Format=2 best ball foursome
February 6	Ridgemark-Diablo	\$45.00/January 18	Includes cart - Format=2 best ball foursome
March 5	Gilroy Golf Course	\$25.00/February 15	Cart optional @ \$9 per player- Format=2 best ball foursome

Notes:

- Check the IBM Retirement Club web site: www.ibmsjrc.org for "Par Tee Golf" information, rules and results. The 2012 schedule has not been updated yet.
- Renewals are now due for the "Par Tee Golf Club." Renewals before December 31 are \$42.00. For signups after that date, as well as for those who have no previous NCGA number, the amount is \$52.00. Contact **Terry Gray (408) 629-8893 or tgolf18@aol.com**
- Prices and dates are subject to change. Be sure to check newsletter or web site, or call Andy for latest information.
- 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, home phone 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 alascola@earthlink.net

Hikes and Camping

Hike: Coyote Hills Regional Park

Friday, January 20, 2012, 10:00 AM

Coyote Hills Regional Park, overlooking San Francisco Bay, is a gem of the East Bay regional park system. There are sweeping views of the bay, the Santa Cruz mountains, San Francisco, and Oakland, as well as beautiful marshes and abundant bird life. Bring your binoculars! The hike will consist of two adjacent loop trails for a distance of about 5 miles with elevation changes of not more than a few hundred feet. The trails are mostly paved or gravel, so mud should not be an issue. The park can be reached from the west bay by crossing the Dumbarton Bridge (Highway 84 east) or from I-880 and take the Highway 84 west exit. From either direction on Highway 84, take the Paseo Padre Parkway exit and head north about 1 mile. Turn left at Patterson Ranch Road and proceed to the park entrance. There is a \$5 parking fee. We will meet in the parking lot in front of the park visitor center. Serious rain cancels. Those wishing to carpool can meet at the highways 85/87 Park and Ride at 9:15 AM. From there it takes about 30 minutes to Coyote Hills. The Park and Ride is under Highway 85 where Santa Teresa enters highways 87 or 85. Your hike leaders will not be stopping there.

Contact: **Jim or Maya D'Anjou at (408) 779-1292 or jim.hapapapa@gmail.com**

Hike: Shoreline Park

Friday, February 24, 2012, 10:00 AM

Time for another flat but scenic hike, this month at Shoreline Park in Mountain View. We'll be walking about 6 miles on paved or gravel trails, so good athletic shoes will be sufficient. We hope to see many varieties of waterfowl in the marshy wetlands.

After the hike, we will have lunch on the patio overlooking Shoreline Lake. This time you have a choice of bringing your lunch or buying it, as there is a café where you can purchase lunch if you like.

To get to the Shoreline Lake parking lot where we will be meeting, travel north on Highway 101 or Highway 85 toward San Francisco, and exit at Shoreline Boulevard. Make a right turn at the stoplight onto N. Shoreline Blvd. heading east. Stay on Shoreline, going past the guard shack at the entrance to the park and continue till the road ends at the lake and boathouse. Don't forget your water, and lunch if you prefer not to buy at the café. Heavy rain cancels the hike.

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