HPREC NEWS

Agilent Technologies

Fun, friendship, service, memories for members of the Bay Area Hewlett-Packard/Agilent Retired Employees Club

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President's Message



By John McGowan
HPREC President

Welcome to the first in a two-year series of introductory articles for the HPREC newsletter. As I begin my new term as President of the Club, I have a lot of people to thank, and I look forward to exchanging ideas in upcoming issues on how our Club can continue to expand its role and meet the needs and expectations of our members. Finally, I'll be adding some background on myself, so that those members who haven't met me along my career path at HP/Agilent or Addison Avenue/First Tech will have a little additional context. After 21 years at HP, eight at Agilent and four at Addison Avenue/First Tech, I know a lot of retirees, but not as many as I expect to know two years from now.

First, I need to thank Deihleen Claffey, who completed her term as President in October, and has done a terrific job of keeping the Board on task, our members involved, and of streamlining some of the "behind-the-scenes" activities that the members rarely see. In addition, she has done a great job as Editor of our newsletter AND has graciously agreed to continue that role going into 2013.

Second, I need to thank both Pat Fausett and John Weidert for their service on the Board and contributions as well. Pat has had a challenging two years, but has continued to dedicate time and energy to the Club, including organizing the Holiday Luncheons and leading the Travel Committee for day trips and longer outings benefitting the membership. Whether cruising, or riding a bus to the City for theater and meals, or finding fun day trips to Northern California locations, Pat and her Travel Committee have provided many memorable group experiences for our Club. AND, Pat has agreed to continue leading the Travel Committee even after her Board duties and term are expiring. John Weidert has also provided noble service chairing our Membership Committee, tracking dues payments, renewals and leading the effort to recruit new members. We've just finished another successful membership renewal and voting cycle, and each year the process runs a little more smoothly, with help from the Tech Team. AND, John has agreed to continue working as Membership Chair going into 2013 as well. Thanks to both for their contributions and willingness to keep going!

There are other Board members who also deserve recognition, including Harold Kaye, who has chaired the committees for countless picnics, Spring Flings and Holiday Luncheons, and is stepping back next year. Paula Hoelker-williams joined two years ago, and leads the Tech Team to improve our Web site, data processing capabilities, and online e-mail functionality. Homer Wong chairs our Nominations Committee, which is really the focal point for recruiting new Board Members, and he has helped lead an ongoing refresh of our Board, including the four new members we welcome this month: Chris Benninger, Jo-Ann Butler, Blanca Guerrero and Camilla Nelson. Phil Smith and Gordon Mullin who keep track of the books and the budget, pay the bills and handle tax forms and record retention. Herb Knoesel, who tracks and manages our Condolences reporting and family contacts, also deserves thanks. Elizabeth Shen deserves recognition for stepping in and handling our Delta Dental insurance program available to members (who reside in California). There are others who organize activities, volunteering, and other projects. The Club is lucky to have so many dedicated volunteers.

As we move into 2013, I am reminded of a memorable inauguration in 1961, and I'd ask each member to think about what the Club means to them and what they'd like the Club to be, and how they might assist. With our modest dues (that mostly go for printing and postage of newsletters plus subsidies for the three main events each year), we rely on volunteers expressing an interest and then taking action to make something happen. I welcome feedback, suggestions, complaints (not so much…) or other ideas to help the Club remain healthy and meet member needs.

Homer's Place

By Homer Wong, Board Member and HP Liaison

HP Continuum

If you think HP doesn't care about the retirees, think again. HP is introducing a new social network called HP Continuum.

Here is an excerpt of the letter from Tracy Keogh (HP VP of Human Resources):

As you get ready to embark upon the next chapter in your lives, we very much want to stay in touch with you all. We built HP Continuum so you can stay connected to your extended HP network and we can provide you with news, information and events that may be of interest to you. Whether you've worked at HP for several decades or just a couple of years, you're an important part of our company history; you helped make us what we are today. And we're proud of your legacy.

I really hope you will enjoy what we have to offer. You don't need to be a social media expert to use this network. Here's just a few of the ways you can benefit from HP Continuum:

- *Use it as a **virtual meeting place** for you and your former colleagues*
- *Connect with other members to **expand your professional network***
- ***Share perspectives** with other retirees on anything from medical coverage to tax questions to volunteering and ways to give back to the community*
- ***Find out about** retiree events, opportunities to discover new activities*
- ***Enjoy exclusive services for retirees** - discounts on HP products and services and access to a whole range of professional and personal resources*
- ***Keep up with HP news** - and feel proud that you helped build this iconic company*

The HP Continuum will open to all U.S. retirees on November 1, 2012. For more details and to join the site, go to https://hp.alumniprogram.com/registration/claim/retiree. Then, log in as often as you like at https://hp.alumniprogram.com/login.

New Board Members

As the chairman of the Nominating Committee, it is also my pleasure to report the results of this year's elections. Please welcome Chris Benninger, Jo-Ann Butler, Blanca Guerrero and Camilla Nelson to their first terms on the Board. We are excited to have these new individuals join the Board. They have a rich and varied background of experiences, which will help make our retiree Club even stronger and better. All the different activities and events would not be possible without the dedicated service of all our Board members. We have Board openings every year, so let us know if you're interested in serving.

HP Retiree Programs Office

I want to also give a shout out to Jill Weeks and Kate Cashin, who are my contacts at HP. Jill and Kate are always there when I need help for one of our events or a retiree needs a question answered. Their priority is to communicate with HP retirees and alumni.

Here are some of the resources they provide:

- HP Retiree website www.hp.com/retiree - *with over 10,000 hits per month.*
- HP Retiree programs e-mail box (hp.retireeprograms@hp.com) *You will get a response within 24 hours.*
- HP Retiree Facebook page - *over 3,700 fans.*
- Support of the local retiree clubs - *10 US clubs and 7 International clubs.*

- Support of the HP alumni Club, managed by HP Alumnus - *Over 21,000 active members.*

Enroll for your 2013 HP benefits!

Annual enrollment is your once-a-year opportunity to consider your HP benefit options and decide which coverage is best for you and your family.

Mark your calendar:

For retirees, the annual enrollment period for your 2013 HP benefits is from **Nov 5 through Nov 23, 2012.**

Get informed, get ready, and take charge!

In the next couple of weeks you'll be receiving your HP retiree benefits enrollment guide. Use your enrollment guide to find out more about your options for the coming year:

· Learn about what's changing for 2013.

· Take a Wellness Assessment to start taking charge of your health.

· Make the most of your HP benefits. Together, you and HP can improve your and your family's health and well-being.

WAR HORSE

By Pat Fausett

On a beautiful September 4 afternoon, a small group of HPREC theatre lovers boarded a bus from the "old" HP Cupertino site…the last time we would meet here for an HP/Agilent adventure. We were off to San Francisco for dinner and to see the amazing production of *War Horse*.

Dinner was at the restaurant Zingari on Post Street in San Francisco, just a block away from the Curran Theatre. We had a truly wonderful Italian meal, with outstanding service from the restaurant staff, including the owner! The restaurant opened early for us, and we had a terrific private dining room. Because we were a bit on the early side, we never had to rush to head to the theatre, so a leisurely meal was enjoyed by all.

Arriving at the Curran, we had a bit of a wait until they opened the doors…but it was so worth it. Having bought the tickets in January of this year, we had excellent seats in the orchestra section. (It was unfortunate that we had to return half of the tickets, for a full refund, due to lack of participation for this event.)

The show was nothing but spectacular! We knew the story and first met the "war horse" when he was a pony. As a puppet, this pony was guided by two men on the "outside" of the pony. It was exceedingly clever as to how the pony was moved around the stage, and you found yourself wondering how the "big" horse was going to work.





KAZAM...all of a sudden there was the truly life-size War Horse. Amazing, stunning, fabulous, etc.! The large horse was "worked" by two men inside the horse…and these men were true artists. The ears and tail of the horse worked just like a real horse, and the movements of the

hooves were so realistic. Even when the horse reared, it was authentic. In fact, after a few minutes, one "forgot" that this horse was just a large puppet…you thought you were looking at a real horse!



But it got better…not just one horse was in the play, but there were four other horses, just as big as the War Horse! This was truly amazing. The story somewhat followed the movie production, but had a much happier ending. While the actors did an excellent job, the men (all of them) under the horses were the true stars. A standing ovation was given to all those men, particularly the two that controlled the War Horse.

The trip back to Cupertino was filled with fun chatting and all of us feeling we had seen something so very special….and we had! We also discussed future theatre outings, and there will be an article in this newsletter covering all of our ideas and plans. Speaking for the fifteen of us that experienced this production, we can honestly say it was one of THE best we have seen.

HPREC Hiking News

Compiled by Gary Ruppel

HPREC Hikers Revisit Butano Redwoods in September

By Ed White (leader) w/photo by John McCabe

Six hikers sought refuge from the valley heat at Butano State Park, nine years after our first hike there. In spite of budget problems, Butano trails are among the best maintained in the system, due largely to a group of coastal volunteers. In fact, the Six Bridges Trail now has nine bridges, according to a formal HPREC audit.

The place name Butano is Native American for "a gathering place for friendly visits." Our friendly visit involved a mellow stroll along Little Butano Creek, which has a mix of old-growth and second-growth redwoods in a stunning riparian setting. There may be a Big Butano Creek somewhere, but we did not locate it.



(Pictured L-R): Janis Andrews, John McCabe, Jim Holl, Ed White, Bernard Bruand, John Kwan

Very few flowers are left this time of year, but we did see some spotted coral root orchids among the redwoods and wood mint in the open area near a recovering alder grove. The park has a bat hotel which was inactive when we saw it near mid-day.

Butano is a 3800-acre park near Pescadero with about 20 miles of trails and one of the best campgrounds in the system. It is practically deserted this time of year, so be sure to visit it soon.

Getting there: The Park is located five miles south of Pescadero, on Cloverdale Road, and off Highway One from Gazos Creek Road.

Golden Gate Bridge Lite Hike

By Barbara Beebe (leader) w/photo by Larry Byler

Lite Hikers were blessed with absolutely beautiful San Francisco weather on September 19 for our walk across the Golden Gate Bridge and back. We were bundled up for wind and fog, however, were able to peel off layers as we went along. Nine hikers carpooled from Palo Alto or took public transportation from Fremont, and we met at the Bridge Plaza on the San Francisco side. Three others came from Fremont, but unfortunately, we never connected.

After a leisurely walk across the bridge, we took a break for lunch and for exploring on the Marin side, and then retraced our steps back to the starting point. Along the way we learned some of the history of the 75-year-old bridge, and saw boats of all sizes: sailboats, fishing boats, ferries, cargo ships, and even a cruise ship under the Bay Bridge. Larry Byler provided us with a wonderful photo album of our adventure.



Pictured (L-R): Bruce and Marsha Baird, Yolanda Squarcia, Ana Garcia, Barbara Beebe, Cherie Baker, Ann Tyler, Janis Andrews

Palo Alto's Enid W. Pearson Arastradero Preserve Visited by Seventeen HPREC Hikers + Mia the Dog

By John McCabe (leader) w/photo by Larry Byler

We had a beautiful autumn day for our October hike. We hiked the oak covered ridges, valleys, and grasslands of Palo Alto's Enid W. Pearson Arastradero Preserve. We had 17 human hikers and one dog hiker. This was the most hikers since 2010 and the first ever with a dog. Mia, the Portuguese water dog, led much of the way with Marcia Adams, AKA Momma Mia, close behind. Mia was quick to point out a number of deer, including a couple that entertained us while we ate our lunch.

*(Kneeling L-R): Herb Knoesel, Ed White, Marcia Adams, Mia, Martha Maris (Standing L-R): Dee Bailey, Gary Ruppel, Stan McCarthy, Gordon Mullin, Fred Kohler, K.J. Chang, Eileen Ruppel, Chuck Sieloff, John Kwan, Bernard Bruand, John McCabe*

If you are interested in hiking the Enid W. Pearson Arastradero Preserve on your own, from Hwy 280, go southwest (towards the mountains) on Page Mill Road. Go 0.5 miles. Turn right onto Arastradero Road. Go 1.2 miles; the Preserve parking area is on your right. There are bathrooms by the parking area. We hiked portions of the Juan Bautista de Anza, the Wild Rye, the Paseo del Roble, Arastradero Creek, Woodrat, Meadowlark, Woodland Star, Bay Laurel, and Ohlone trails.

Villa Montalvo Lite Hike

By Marsha Baird (leader) w/photo by John McCabe

Fourteen HPREC'ers enjoyed the Lite Hike around the Villa Montalvo grounds and neighborhood in front of the Villa on Wednesday, October 17.

*(Back Row, L-R): Carol Arnett, Herb Knoesel, Janis Andrews, Marsha Baird, Larry & Ann Byler, John Trone (Front Row, L-R): John McCabe, Barbara Beebe, Eileen Ruppel, Blenda Mariana, Yolanda Squarcia, Gisela Knoesel, Barbara Trone*

We met at the beautiful and historic Villa and enjoyed the walk past lovely mansions with creative landscaping and holiday décor. We strolled past the Don and Sally Lucas Artists' Residency buildings and took our group picture in the Artists' Grove (where the donor plaques are located). Several hikers recognized former colleagues and friends' names. It's a very peaceful area and was enjoyed by all.

There is no charge for walking the trails and grounds at the Villa. This year is the Villa's 100 anniversary.

For more information regarding the Villa, please go to their Web site at www.montalvoarts.org.

Getting there: From Hwy 85, exit at Saratoga Avenue. Go west onto Saratoga Avenue and drive 1.8 miles to downtown Saratoga. Turn left at light onto Hwy 9 / Saratoga - Los Gatos Road. Drive 1/3 mile and turn right onto Montalvo Road. Continue approximately 1 mile to Montalvo grounds.

HP Executive Customer Relations is hiring!

HP Executive Customer Relations (ECR) in Palo Alto is looking for additional staff in their support center which responds to customer inquiries addressed to the CEO and other HP executives.

If you are interested in learning more about the ECR's part-time/full-time opportunities, please contact Claudia Tetreault at (650) 857-8808 or
e-mail your qualifications/resume to claudia.tetreault@hp.com.

The ECR department has been staffed in part by retirees and former employees for a number of years; they asked us to make this opportunity known to our Club members.

RETIREE VOLUNTEERS

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hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com

Feeding the Hungry at the Padua Dining Room

By John McCabe

The Padua Dining Room provides hot, well balanced, nourishing meals to low-income people in the community. Several HP/Agilent Retirees enjoyed spending the morning as part of a "Done-In-A-Day" activity helping them do this.



Martha Maris and Cherie Baker ready yummy desserts for the Padua Dining Room's clients.



John McCabe offers clients their choice of donated La Boulanger breads, while Cherie Baker (in the background) supplies the hot nourishing main dish.

Making Science Kits at RAFT

By John McCabe

RAFT, Resource Area for Teaching, believes hands-on teaching is the best way for teachers to teach and students to learn. At October's "Done-In-A-Day" event, HP/Agilent Retirees retrofitted 500 "Puff Rocket" kits that will have students learn science by shooting "rockets" through the air and cut out colorful shapes to help teachers demonstrate geometric shapes to students.



Rose Mary Brodbeck and Kuo-Jung Chang with one of the "Puff Rocket" kits that they retrofitted.



Fran Low demonstrates her skill with scissors.



(L-R): John McCabe, Kuo-Jung Chang, Fran Low, Marsha Lee, Rose Mary Brodbeck Nancy Lem.

TRAVEL TALK

By Your Travel Committee



If you have read our review of the trip we made to see *War Horse* at the Curran Theatre in San Francisco, you know that we are looking at a faster way of getting to see wonderful theatre productions in the San Francisco area. Our "normal" process usually takes over 5 months to get the event formalized, flier printed, and sign-ups received. That makes it difficult for members to plan so far in the future, as well as being able to respond to some of the fabulous productions that are advertised within a much shorter window.

Therefore, your Travel Committee would like to propose a new and different way of attending theatre productions in the San Francisco area…a way that would require reservations and commitments made over e-mail and a very fast response time from members. The following is a brief outline of how we envision such a THEATRE ONLY process working:

1> The Travel Committee will create a customized e-mail list from members who indicate they are sincerely interested in attending theatre productions in San Francisco or other locales that might require utilizing a bus for transportation. Such a list would be updated as HPREC members provide their addresses, etc.

2> When a theatre production is announced, a member of the Travel Committee would generate an "urgent" e-mail to the customized distribution list, with ticket and date information listed on the e-mail.

3> The member would have SEVEN business days to respond about attending, with the assumption that no response means no interest. If responding "Yes", we will consider that as a commitment to buying the ticket and paying for bus service. (Depending on how long we use a bus, and how many people sign up for the event, the cost can range from $22 to $27.)

4> The Travel Committee would compile the e-mail commitments and then commit to buying xx amount of tickets for the specific production, using Group Rates. We would also finalize bus costs and notify responding members of their required payment to HPREC. Such a payment would be sent within SEVEN business days to the usual HPREC address in Mountain View, which we review at least once a week.

5> We would also send out a message to respondents about additional activities associated with the theatre event, such as including a dinner or lunch, where we might hold such a dinner or lunch, and associated menus. That may or may not require additional monies being sent to HPREC, depending on any arrangements we might make with a restaurant, etc.

6> If difficulties arise trying to collect payment from members who do sign up, we will remove that name or names from our distribution list and eliminate any future distributions to those members. Obviously true emergencies are always taken into consideration.

If you are interested in utilizing this type of reservation making for theatre events, please send an e-mail to: Pat Fausett
pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net
Include your name(s), e-mail address, and phone number (including area code, please).
We will create a special distribution list, with a new address for HPREC Theatre Buffs that will be given to members who are interested. We will try to get this in place as soon as possible and will keep members updated on our progress. Please address questions on your e-mail, not by phone.

In the meantime, we hope to see you at the Holiday Luncheon on December 10 , the Christmas musical program on December 15 and other new activities listed in this newsletter.

Happy Holidays and safe traveling to you all!!



HPREC Monthly Activities

By Lidia Donez

Golf

By Phil Smith



The weather was perfect for our Spring Valley Golf Tournament on September 20. The 22 golfers, evenly split between the men and ladies, had a great time on this fun course, even if some had problems with their shots. Those that did manage to find their game and take home the prizes were:

Men's Flight:	Frank Lawrence	Net 69
Low Putts	Dan Schettler	28
Ladies Flight:	Rhonda Louie	Net 68
Low Putts	Judy Sullivan	31
Closest-to-the-Pin:	Bill Truex	Hole #2
	Bill Franks	Hole #4
	Janice Nakao	Hole #7
	Shelia Highe	Hole #11
	Shelia Highe	Hole #16

We played Los Lagos for our final tournament of the year, under perfect summer weather conditions, on October 18. We had 20 players come out to play this eclectic course and enjoy this wonderful golf opportunity. Those that took full advantage of the conditions and made their shots count for the prizes were:

Men's Flight:	Bill Franks	Net 61
Putts	Navin Shankar	30
Ladies Flight:	Janice Nakao	Net 62
Putts	Janice Nakao	33
Closest-to-the-Pin:	Janice Nakao	Hole #2
	Faith Seal	Hole #8
	No Winner	Hole #12
	Frank Lawrence	Hole #16

For those who played in the HPREC golf tournaments, we hope you enjoyed your golf outings with your HP/Agilent retiree compatriots. If you haven't played, we hope you'll give it a try in 2013. As in past years, we'll have eight tournaments next year, playing at Sunnyvale, San Jose Muni, Spring Valley and Los Lagos. So get ready to play some fun and challenging golf next year, starting with Sunnyvale on March 21.

"The secret of golf is, use your real swing to take the big divot, use your practice swing to make the shot, and always hit the do-over first." Anonymous

Tours of the HP Garage

Look for the flyer in this newsletter about upcoming opportunities to visit true HP history. The second Thursday of the last month of every fiscal quarter (Apr, July, Oct., Jan.) offers a free one and one half-hour tour of the HP Garage in Palo Alto, HP's first business site.

Bowling for fun! *By Carol Nakamoto*



Come join us at Homestead Lanes at 20990 Homestead Road, Cupertino. It's always the 2nd Monday of each month. Price is $5.00 per person for 2 games (shoe rental is $2.25). The next few bowling events are **November 12 and January 14** from 3:00-4:30 (skipping Dec. due to Holiday Lunch).

If in

terested, contact Carol Nakamoto at carol_nakamoto@hotmail.com or (650) 941-3678. All skill levels are welcome.

December/January Hiking Schedule

By Gary Ruppel



Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2012 Rainout Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2012

Time: Meet at the Mountain View Caltrain Station at 9:20 a.m.

Hike Leader: Gary Ruppel (650) 494-0530 (H) (650) 888-2144 (M)

Hike Location: San Jose City Hike. This hike will feature hiking trails along the Guadalupe River Park, Rose Gardens, downtown San Jose, and many points of interest. Lunch is "on your own." Options include Chinese, Mexican, Ethiopian, Thai, and Singaporean. Gordon Biersch Brewery is always a good option. The hike will be around 6 miles on mostly paved surfaces with some stairs.

Meet at: ***Do not meet at the usual carpool site!*** Meet at the Mountain View Caltrain Station at 9:20 a.m. Bring $4.00 for parking, $5.00 for a 2-zone senior day pass ($10.00 for youngsters), lunch money (or pack a lunch) and water. We will catch train #230 at 9:38 or #332 at 9:44. You may choose to catch these trains at a different Caltrain station. If you want to drive all the way, meet us at 10:05 a.m. at the San Jose Diridon Station outside the front door. We will update the fare and schedule information in the pre-hike e-mail.

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Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2013 Rainout date: Tuesday, January 15, 2013

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: Jim Holl (408) 446-2963

Hike Location: Coyote Hills Regional Park in Fremont. This East Bay Regional Park adjoins the San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge and offers trails in marshes, grasslands and hills with killer views. It is dotted with Ohlone Indian sites. Our route will be kept short of five miles so we can climb some strenuous hills. The area is exposed to bay winds. We should see some raptors, shore birds and a few migratory bird species. To get there take Highway 84 across the Dumbarton Bridge to Paseo Padre Parkway in Fremont. Go about 1.2 miles north on Paseo Padre, then turn left onto Patterson Ranch Road. Go through the entry kiosk, where there is a $5 parking fee, and then park at the visitor center.

Meet at: The Arastradero Preserve parking area to carpool. From I-280, turn southwest on Page Mill Road. Go .5 mile to Arastradero Road and then go .5 mile to the Preserve. Bring water, lunch, $3 each to reimburse the carpool drivers, and additional money to help with the bridge toll and parking fee.

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Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2013 **"Lite Hike"** No Rainout Date



Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: Eileen Ruppel (650) 888-2144

Hike Location: Downtown Palo Alto

Meet at: Caltrain Station at 95 University Avenue in Palo Alto. There is two hour street parking nearby as well as the High/Alma South Garage which has three hour parking.

Bring: Water, perhaps an umbrella

Our two-mile roundtrip walk will take us past some historic and interesting places in Palo Alto. We'll see buildings that housed well known startups including the Grateful Dead, Facebook, and HP, as well as the boyhood home of William Shockley.

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Carol's Corner

By Carol Nakamoto, HPREC Web Communicator

HP-related Retiree Web sites

…for HP and Agilent retirees

LATEST INFO

www.bayarea.hpway.org

Go to this Web site and enter user name and password (*found in **Password** section of this article…next page*).

Click on Bay Area Employee Programs. Then
click on Bay Area EP eNews link for the latest. The Oct/Nov newsletter is posted.

The **HP Store** HAS MOVED.

Address: 3000 Hanover Street, Palo Alto, Lobby 20D (back of Bldg 20 HQ complex). Retirees can access this Lobby for discounted tickets.

Phone: (650) 236-0525 (answered when staffed)

Hours: Wednesday through Friday from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., except HP holidays.

Here's a sample of time-sensitive discounted offerings:

HP Box @ the Flint Center:

- **Celebrity Forum - Bill Clinton** – Dec 5 – 7
- **Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker -** Dec 22

HP Pavilion:

- **How to Train Your Dragon: Live Spectacular - (from DreamWorks) - Dec 26 – 30 (deadline to purchase Dec 19)**

Tech Museum:



HPREC ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

(See flyer on page 16!)

DATE: **Monday, December 10, 2011**

PLACE: **IFES Portuguese Hall**
432 Stierlin Rd., Mt. View

- **Discounted tickets thru June 2013, including MythBusters Interactive Exhibit**

Refer to page 4 of your 2012 Member Directory for other discounted tickets.

www.hpretirees.com/hprec

Again, refer to page 4 in the 2012 Membership Directory for all that's available on our very own Club Web site. Coming Events are updated routinely.

BASICS – New Members

Refer to your Membership Directory, pages 3-5.
Helpful material includes navigation tips for:

- HP and HPREC Retiree Web sites
- Other Helpful HP-related sites (discounts) and (HP Alumni)
- Passwords to all sites
- Stay Connected via E-mail

Stay Connected via E-mail…

For HP and Agilent retirees to receive periodic e-mails from organizations that fit your interests, you have **three** places to sign up: HPREC, HP, and HPAA. For privacy reasons, these cannot be shared.

NOT receiving bi-monthly e-mails that your Club newsletter has been posted online?
NOT receiving periodic e-mails from a Club Board member about important news that can't wait for the next newsletter?

To sign up, go to our HPREC home page, on www.hpretirees.com/hprec, scroll to Retiree e-mail List:

*1) **If you have not yet added your e-mail address** to our secure online directory (our Webmaster has recently added more securities to our e-mail database – see last two paragraphs on this page*), CLICK ON "Add your e-mail address" and select your HPREC Member Options.*

Review these available member options to ensure your preferences are carried out. Use password information listed under HPREC below.

The Member Options allow you to choose to:

(a) stop receiving your paper version of the newsletter in the U.S. Mail and review it online in full color in one-column format

(b) receive an e-mail notification each time a new newsletter has been posted to the Web site. *We do not send the newsletter as an attachment.*

(c) receive periodic e-mails from HPREC (maybe one message every month or two) with pertinent club-related news.

*2) **If you previously added your e-mail address**, CLICK ON "Change existing e-mail address or change member options." Make sure you've chosen "elect to receive an e-mail notification (includes passwords) when your newsletter is posted to the Club Web site."*

PASSWORDS

Cut this out and save near PC!

User names and passwords to the secure areas of the different retiree Web sites are:

HP (News and Stay Connected sections) *and*
Bay Area Employee Programs (Discounts):
User name: xxxxx Password: xxxxx

HPREC (online e-mail directory):
User name: xxxxx Password: xxxxx

Passport Card:
HP Code: xxxxx

HP Branded Gear:
Password: xxxxx

Note: If you are reading the newsletter online and you cannot see the user names and passwords, we have deleted them for security reasons.

For this information, refer to our bi-monthly e-mail from **hprec-bayarea@hpretirees.com**, notifying you that the latest newsletter is online. If you are not receiving this e-mail from me, you have not chosen this as one of your options. Refer to **(b)** in the box in column two of the previous page.

If you prefer to not opt-in to your Club's online e-mail directory, you can obtain the password information in your Membership Directory.



by Herb Knoesel

Wife of HPREC member Hermann Luechinger, **Katherine Luechinger**, 76, passed away on April 10, 2012 from complications of Parkinson's. She joined HP in 1961, working in the old Redwood Building and in Building 10. Her friends from that time may remember her as Kathy San Miguel. She was one of the employees that set up production of LEDs at HPA and OED. Later she moved to APD to work on the assembly of the HP35. She then transferred to HP Labs to work in the stock room. In 1985 she married Hermann Luechinger, her coworker at HPL, whom she knew already from their time working on LEDs at OED. After retiring, she loved to work in her flower garden. Katherine is survived by her husband, her daughter Lisa of Tacoma, WA, son Mitch of Santa Clara, and 10 grandchildren. *(Submitted by Hermann Luechinger)*

Wilford W. Noeller, 87, died on August 22, 2012. In 1956 he went to work at HP, retiring after 31 years. Bill is survived by his daughter, Linda Dillon, of Palo Alto; daughter and son-in-law, Jennie Noeller and George Paulsen of Los Altos; granddaughters Janet Dillon Owen, Katie Dillon Pfenninger, Elizabeth Paulsen, Lindsay

Dillon, and Caroline Paulsen; grandson-in-law Marc Pfenninger; great-grandsons Cameron Owen, Cooper Owen, and Max Pfenninger; and brother Francis Noeller of Hughson. *(San Jose Mercury News)*

HPREC member **Billy Earl Chesley**, 82, passed away peacefully on August 31, 2012. He was born and raised in Grand Island, NE and moved to Central City, NE in his youth. During his school years, he played football and was a member of the track team. After his 3 years of service in the U.S. Coast Guard, he went on to graduate from San Jose State University. Bill went on to work for HP/Agilent and retired after 30 years. Bill enjoyed golf, gardening as well as square dancing and round dancing. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Earline; children Michael Chesley (Kathy), Joan Smith (Paul); grandchildren Taylor, Haley, Lauren and Brandon Smith; great grandchildren Cameron, Jasmine and Kye Smith; brothers Dean (Ann), Dale (Margaret) and sister Doris Anderson (Steve). Bill is also survived by nieces Jennifer Smith (Jim), Susan Kuhlman (Scott), Ann VanCleve (Mike), Janet Hemenway (Mike), Amy Smith (Quinn) and Greg Anderson. *(San Jose Mercury News)*

HPREC member **Charles A. "Bud" Eldon**, 85, passed away on September 28, 2012. He was hired by HP in January 1951, which at the time was a small company. He worked there as an engineer and as a manager and executive, at various operating divisions and at corporate headquarters, until he retired in March 1990. During his working years, Bud did volunteer work for Stanford, where he was elected chairman of the Graduate School of Business Fund, and earned the highest recognitions and awards of the university for his leadership. Separately, at the direction of Bill Hewlett, he joined what became IEEE, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. Elected to a series of leadership positions at local, then national levels, Bud ultimately was elected International President of IEEE in 1985, and to the Fellow grade of membership, the latter for his technical contributions "to manufacture high-quality electronic components and systems". IEEE is the world's largest professional society, which has grown to more than 400,000 members in more than 130 countries. In retirement, Bud became active in the Fort Huachuca Section in S.E. Arizona. Bud is survived by his wife Betty, and their 4 children: Tony, (wife Anita and their children Charlene and Evan); Kay; Doug (wife Dorry and their children Eric, Jon and Annie); and Jim (wife Julie and their children, Miles and Ella). *(San Jose Mercury News)*

To place a notice or provide information about HP retirees that you know please write to Herbert Knoesel, 633 Phil Court, Cupertino, CA 95014 or
e-mail to: hp-rec@knoesel.com.

From the Editor

Dues:

Did you pay your 2012-2013 dues? If so, thank you! If not, and your dues are not received by January 1, 2013, your name will not appear in the Membership Directory coming out in February, and you will not receive subsequent newsletters. These documents are great references for maintaining contact with your fellow HP/Agilent retirees and for keeping current on events and activities. And, the dues are very low. Stay with us!

Membership Directory – a great resource:

The 2012 Membership Directory is a great resource for finding:

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Keep your copy handy, especially when having to address issues with the company you retired from or an associated service provider.

Change of address:

At this time of year, it is critical that the company you retired from and any service providers that you are using have your current contact information. Information will be coming out about Annual Enrollment, service provider program/fee changes, etc. You cannot assume that there is coordination of information between these organizations. We strongly recommend that you contact each organization with any changes in your contact information that have occurred during the past year or before. Please refer to pages seven through ten in the HPREC Membership Directory for the list of whom to contact.

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DENTAL PLAN CONTRACT RENEWAL

By Elizabeth Shen

Please be aware that the DeltaCare USA DHMO dental plan premiums have increased by 4.5% effective January 1, 2013. These ***quarterly*** rates are effective for 2 years:

Effective Date	***January 1, 2013***	
Contract term	***Two Years*** ***January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2014***	
Percentage of increase in the current rates	***4.5%***	
	Current Quarterly Rates	***Renewal Quarterly Rates***
Employee	***$ 89.00***	***$ 93.01***
Employee + one dependent	***$140.58***	***$146.91***
Employee + two or more dependents	***$202.26***	***$211.36***

HPREC's dental plan is administered by Delta Dental of California. You must be a member of the HPREC Bay Area Club and living in California to enroll. You can enroll in the plan by e-mailing hprecdeltadental@gmail.com and providing the following information:

- Name
- Address

You will receive an application shortly thereafter.

You can learn more about the dental plan by visiting the HP U.S. Retiree Programs home page at www.hpretirees.com. Click on **Bay Area** under the Retiree Clubs column on the left side of the page, and then click on the **Dental Plan** link.

You will be able to see the list of participating dental offices in Northern California, a summary of the program, as well as detailed benefits and copayments at the Web site.

Holiday Volunteer Project



Help Sort Gifts for Children @ The Family Giving Tree

Share the holiday spirit by joining with other HP and Agilent retirees to help sort gifts for the Family Giving Tree. These gifts will be collected by over 900 companies and organizations (including HP and Agilent) for children in our local area who would otherwise go without gifts. This "Done-in-a-Day" project, sponsored by the HP/Agilent Retiree Volunteers (HPARV) organization, will only take a few hours, but will mean a lot. We always have a great time! Wear layers and comfy shoes. We are never sure what temperatures to expect, but it's usually COLD! The warehouse floor could be hard cement, and chairs will most likely be limited.

Date & Time: **Thursday, December 13 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Place: **Family Giving Tree Warehouse**
HP's Previous Building 44
19111 Pruneridge Avenue
Cupertino, CA 94087
For more information & to RSVP, contact:
hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com
or call Olga Wholey at (650) 941-1142
Please RSVP by Wednesday, December 5





HPARV "Done-In-A-Day"
Volunteer Opportunity

Join your fellow HP/Agilent retirees at St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room on Thursday, January 24, 2013. We will prepare food. Some tasks require standing.

For the past 35 years, the Padua Dining Room has pursued its mission to provide hot, well balanced meals to people in the community. They serve the low-income people with as many as 600 hot nourishing meals a day, six days a week.

Note: the Padua Dining Room is a separate entity of St. Anthony Parish. While it is under the umbrella of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco, it nonetheless enjoys its own independence and proper identity. Some of its partners include The Peninsula Community Foundation, Second Harvest Food Bank, Almanac of Palo Alto-Menlo Park, Sunset Magazine, Rotary, Kiwanis, the Menlo Park and Redwood City Fire Departments, Valley Presbyterian Church of Portola Valley, The Stanford Catholic Community, and Hands on the Bay Area.

Date: **Thursday January 24, 2013**
Time: **10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**
Place: **St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room**
3500 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park, CA

Directions:
From Highway 101, take exit #406/Marsh Road; go southwest.
In 1.3 miles, go right onto Middlefield Road.
Padua Dining Room is 0.5 of a mile down Middlefield Road on your left.

RSVP: **By Friday, January 18 to**
Connie D'Andrea at:
hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com or **(650) 856-9818**

More information: http://www.paduadiningroom.com/



HPREC ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

New Venue

Monday, December 10, 2012
IFES Portuguese Hall
432 Stierlin Road, Mt. View



Cost per person: $25.00 if received by November 27
$30.00 after November 27 through December 3
Deadline for reservations: Postmarked by December 3
(NO PHONE RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN)

Following lunch: Guest Speaker, Annual Briefing by Club President and Door Prizes

Guest speaker: TBD

New Menu

11:00 a.m: **Social Hour (Beverages, including wine, can be purchased at the bar.)**

12:00 Noon: **Two-entrée choice luncheon**

1) **Turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing with gravy, cranberry sauce and green beans**
2) **Honey baked glazed ham, mashed potatoes, yams, peas and carrots**

Mixed green salad with hard rolls and butter
Choice of apple or pumpkin pie with whipped cream
Coffee or tea

For additional information or questions, please contact the Event Coordinator during normal business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. Event Coordinator: Harold Kaye (408) 257-9629 or humyagkaye@aol.com

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EVENT: HPREC Annual Holiday Luncheon

____person(s) @ $25.00 per person by Nov. 21 = $_____Total
____person(s) @ $30.00 per person Nov. 22 through Dec. 3 postmark = $_____Total

(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

PLEASE PRINT NAMES:

Member Name_____ Phone ( )_____
Spouse/Guest Name_____ Phone ( )_____
(Above, please CIRCLE if spouse or guest—is this person a member?…YES…NO)
Emergency Contact_____ Phone ( )_____ Member
Emergency Contact_____ Phone ( )_____ Guest

REMIT TO: HPREC, P.O. Box 86, Mtn. View, CA 94042-0086

Your reservation will be considered confirmed once we receive your sign-up form and check postmarked by December 3.

Limited parking lot; carpooling is encouraged.

Choice of entrée: ____Turkey ____Ham **Choice of dessert: ____Apple Pie ____Pumpkin**

CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR



Bethel Church of San Jose
1201 S. Winchester Boulevard
(between Williams and Payne)

Saturday, December 15, 2012

Drive-Yourself Event

(Limited to 40 people)

Cost: $40.00 per person. Reservation with payment due by December 1.

4:00 p.m.: Performance featuring The Voices of Bethel, Kingdom Kids Choir, Bethel Orchestra, Drama Ensemble, Multimedia and Audience Participation. A great 90-minute show that shouldn't be missed! (HPREC will have reserved seating.)

Please park at the church no later than 3:30 p.m. for 4:00 performance in main sanctuary.

5:45 p.m. (approx): Dinner: Tony Roma's Restaurant, 4233 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose



Dinner Choices:

1) **Baby Back Ribs**
2) **Salmon (cooked to order)**
3) **Grilled Chicken Spinach Stack**
4) **Veggies & Angel Hair Pasta**

(Items 1 thru 3 include a loaded baked potato & steamed vegetables)

All meals include Roma House Salad, hot bread & butter, dessert, and choice of coffee, tea or soda.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Event Coordinator during normal business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. Event Coordinators: Vera Robertson (650) 961-5554 or write2vera@earthlink.net and Pat Fausett (650) 941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net

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EVENT: Bethel Christmas Spectacular ____person(s) @ $40.00 =_____Total

(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

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Spouse/Guest Name_____ Phone ( )_____

(Please CIRCLE if spouse or guest—is this person a member?…YES…NO)

Emergency Contact_____ Phone ( )_____ Member

Emergency Contact_____ Phone ( )_____ Guest

REMIT TO: HPREC, P.O. Box 86, Mtn. View, CA 94042-0086

Dinner Selection: _____Ribs _____Salmon _____Chicken _____Veggies/Pasta

Email Address for Trip Confirmation_____

EVENT: HP Garage Tour ____person(s)

Please indicate your preference of dates (1=1st choice; 2=2nd choice; 3=3rd choice):
January 17, 2013 (Q1)____ April 18, 2013 (Q2)____ July 18, 2013 (Q3)____

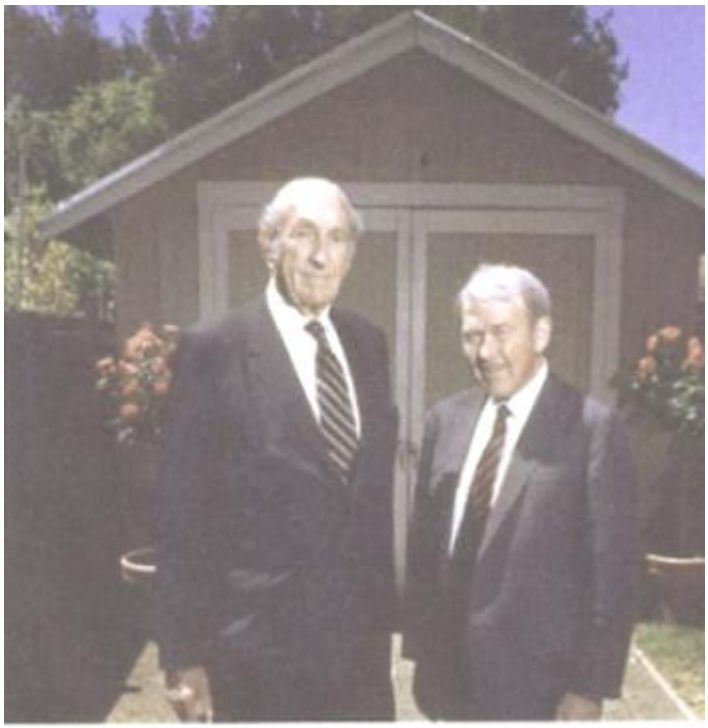
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E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR TRIP CONFIRMATION_____(Please print)
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A STEP BACK IN TIME!



Tours of the HP Garage began in October of 2010 and are conducted quarterly.

Tours will be limited to 10 Club members/guests per tour and you must sign up through HPREC.

Tours are free and start at 10:00 a.m. and last approximately one-and-a-half hours.

We will meet at 9:30 a.m. at HP in Palo Alto in the parking area by Bldg. 20's defunct carwash (off Hanover near the top of the hill).

For additional information or questions, please contact the Trip Leaders during normal business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. Trip Leaders: Gail Eatock (408) 446-0428 or taichats2@att.net or Pat Fausett (650) 941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net



A Morning at the Symphony



SF SYMPHONY OPEN REHEARSALS—Davies Symphony Hall

FEBRUARY 28, 2013

Cost: $45.00 per person by February 1, 2013
$50.00 per person February 2 – 15, 2013 (if space available)
Deadline for reservations: Postmarked by February 15, 2013

Limited to 35 people

Leave: Cupertino Vallco Parkway (behind JCPenney) at 7:15 a.m.

Return: Cupertino Vallco Parkway (behind JCPenney) at 4:30 p.m.

Coffee and complimentary donuts: 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Katharine Hanrahan Open Rehearsal – 10:00 a.m.

Pre-rehearsal discussion about the music and composers

Michael Tilson Thomas Conducts Mozart & Bruckner – 11:00 a.m.

It would be hard to find two composers more unlike each other than Mozart, the prodigious prodigy, and Bruckner, whom success eluded until he was 60. Rising young soprano Nadine Sierra, fresh from her SF Opera debut, sings three arias from Mozart's unfinished opera *Zaïde*, fragments of which were found after his death. The trio of arias includes the exquisite *Ruhe sanft, meine holdes Leben*. The premiere of Bruckner's grand Seventh Symphony earned a 15-minute ovation. Its plaintive adagio is a tribute to his idol Richard Wagner, who at their final meeting declared Bruckner the equal of Beethoven.

Lunch following the rehearsal:

We will be driven to the Ferry Building where you can grab lunch on your own and enjoy browsing all the shops.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Trip Leaders during normal business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. Trip Leaders: Don Higgins (408) 736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net and Pat Fausett (650) 941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net

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EVENT: SF Symphony Rehearsals 2013 ____person(s) @ $45.00 per person by February 1, 2013 = _____Total
____person(s) @ $50.00 per person by Feb. 2 through Feb. 15 postmark = _____Total

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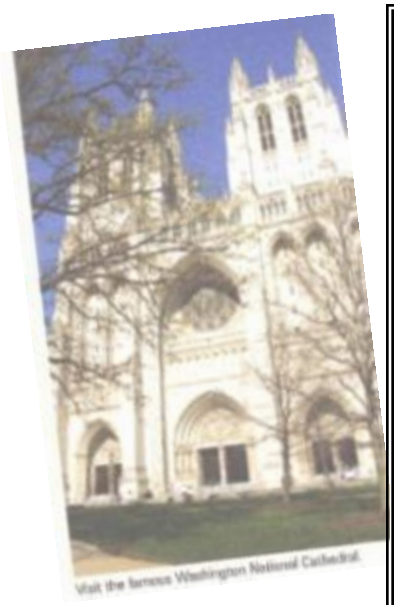
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IN WASHINGTON, D.C."



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April 24-30, 2013



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- **World War II Memorial**
- **Mount Vernon**
- **Arlington National Cemetery**
- **Smithsonian Institution**
- **Annapolis, Maryland**
  Walking tour of U.S. Naval Academy
- **Baltimore, Maryland**
  Fort McHenry
- **Washington National Cathedral**
- **Ford's Theatre**



- Prices start at $2464 per person based on double occupancy (single supplement $600).
- Includes round trip air from San Francisco, air taxes and fees/surcharges of $50 (subject to increase until paid in full), cancellation waiver and insurance of $165 per person and hotel transfers.
- Deposit of $415 per person includes cancellation waiver and insurance.
- Deadline for deposit: December 17, 2012.

Please contact Donald Higgins at (408) 736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net or Debbie Lum, Accredited Cruise Counselor, at (408) 773-8332 or dlum@cruiseplanners.com for more information and to book your trip.

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Included in Price: Round Trip Air from San Francisco Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers
Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $305 per person

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE WITH RESERVATION: $555 PER PERSON
$250 deposit per person
$305 non-refundable cancellation waiver & insurance per person (cannot be added later)

FINAL PAYMENT DUE: May 27, 2013

Valid passport required for travel

SAVE $250 pp if booked by 3/27/13

DON'T MISS OUT! BOOK NOW

Please contact Donald Higgins at (408) 736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net or Debbie Lum, Accredited Cruise Counselor, at (408) 773-8332 or dlum@cruiseplanners.com for more information and to book your trip.

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Coming Events

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Dec. 15	**Christmas Spectacular, San Jose**
Jan. 17	**Garage Tour, Palo Alto**
Jan. 24	**Padua Dining Room Volunteer, Menlo Pk.**
Feb. 28	**Morning Symphony, SF**