

HPREC NEWS



Agilent Technologies

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

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HPREC President's Message

By John McGowan, HPREC President



WOW! As I began assembling this newsletter, I realized this completes my first year as Club President. It has been a fun challenge working to keep the Club focused on our mission of providing social connections for our membership. I was intrigued by the interview and *New York Times* article last May, which focused on the dwindling number of corporations that have retired employee clubs. We are fortunate that HP had such great employees, and that both HP and Agilent have supported the Club. We are waiting to see how the split of Agilent progresses into two companies by next May. Companies are discovering that employees are not just interchangeable cost elements, and that dedicated and enthusiastic employees can make a company successful. A new volunteer program will provide retirees the opportunity to participate as mentors in HP's new community development programs in 2014.

Readers of our printed newsletter will notice a big change this month, starting right here, as we shift to a single column format for both electronic and paper newsletters. One of the most complex and time-consuming elements of the job has been shifting pages and articles back and forth between single and double columns, and so the Board agreed to go with a single column format for both editions. This reduces the time commitment for an editor. The Editor job requires 4 to 6 hours every other month assembling articles written by others into a Word doc. Ruth Chofre has had to step down for health reasons, and *we are again in need of a volunteer to relieve Deihleen as Editor of our bi-monthly newsletters.*

The holiday season brings our Holiday Luncheon on Monday, December 9, and we sincerely hope you'll make the commitment to join us in Santa Clara (see the flyer in this issue). It is the largest gathering of the year for Club members and a chance to see and renew acquaintances with many former colleagues. Golf has wrapped up for the year, bowling and hiking are ongoing, and our new RV Group has eight members and is planning an outing after the holidays. The Travel Committee has theater trips planned for San Francisco, and other events through the spring. It is also time to review and renew medical insurance plans, and HP has communicated to its retirees that it scheduled a series of events at several larger sites to brief retirees on options for medical and financial planning. The Bay Area event was Nov. 13.

Finally, the votes are still rolling in, but it is safe to say we'll have two new Directors join us for the November Board meeting. We welcome back Paula Hoelker-williams and welcome new Board members Bernard Bruand and Dan Abouav. Unfortunately, Chris Benninger has had to resign to accommodate a new volunteer opportunity. Our sincere thanks go to outgoing Board members Harold Kaye, Herb Knoesel and Phil Smith. Harold has managed Spring Flings, Picnics, and will continue with the Spring Fling. Herb has led bowling and hiking outings, reported on the passing of Club members or retirees, and sent messages of condolence on behalf of the Club. Phil has managed our budgets, record retention and golf programs. As it gets more difficult to find volunteers, we've made a policy decision to allow willing volunteers to continue leading programs despite term limits on Board seats. Accordingly, John Weidert will continue to help with membership, Pat Fausett plans to continue with travel, and Phil Smith will lead our golf program.

Have a safe and happy holiday season, and we look forward to a great 2014.

HPREC Hiking News

Compiled by Gary Ruppel

Fall Creek

By Jim Holl (leader) with photo by John McCabe

Eight hikers gathered on September 11 and drove to Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park near Felton. Fortunately, the group had two state park passes to allow free entrance. The group visited the gift shop, visitor center and Roaring Camp Railroad. A free map is available in the visitor center.

The group then drove to the Fall Creek Trailhead which is about 1/2 mile up Felton Empire Road from Felton. The Fall Creek area is known for creeks that are always running and fully shaded hiking along these creeks. Our day was overcast, still, and cool. We saw two wild turkeys and a banana slug.

The group hiked down the Bennett Creek Trail and then up the Fall Creek Trail to the site of a former Barrel Mill. Lunch and the group photo took place at the Barrel Mill area. The small barrels were used to ship lime for use in mortar and plaster.



Pictured (L-R): John McCabe, Chuck Sieloff, Suzanne Gallo, Larry Byler, Ed White, Bernard Bruand, Jim Holl, and Duncan Missimer.

After lunch, the group hiked down to the Cape Horn Trail which led us to the Lime Kilns. These kilns were used to turn locally quarried raw limestone to lime. Eventually, raw limestone and log supplies dwindled as concerns about deforestation arose, and lime processing became obsolete. The Fall Creek kilns closed in 1919 after nearly 70 years of full-scale operation. The second-growth redwoods in the area have helped the hillsides to be forested once again. The hike was completed by following the South Fork Trail down to the Fall Creek Trail and then retracing our steps back to the trailhead.

To get there, take Highway 17 South to Mt. Hermon Road (exit 3). Turn right towards Felton for 3.5 miles to Graham Hill Road (where road ends). Turn right for .2 miles. The trailhead is 1/2 mile straight ahead. Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park is 0.7 mile to the left. The Park has an entrance fee of \$10. Use of the trailhead is free.

Lake Elizabeth Lite Hike

By Ray Spoelman (leader) with photos by John McCabe

Ten HPREC hikers enjoyed a beautiful September morning while hiking Fremont's Lake Elizabeth. The skies were clear blue, and the lake was nearly like a mirror. The greenness of everything surrounding Lake Elizabeth contrasted with the brownness of the nearby east bay hills. The two-mile stroll around the lake allowed everyone to get some exercise while taking in all the sights.



Pictured (L-R): Eileen Ruppel, Cherie Baker, Bernard Bruand, Ann and Larry Byler, Ray Spoelman, Yoke Ping, John and Barbara Trone, and John McCabe.

Castle Rock State Park

By Klaus Model, with photo by John McCabe

From the main entrance on Skyline Boulevard, we followed the Saratoga Gap Trail downhill to the Castle Rock Falls observation platform, and over the very rocky trail with great views of the San Lorenzo Valley, Monterey Bay and the Pacific Ocean, to Russell Point and almost to the Castle Rock Trail Camp. The trail alternated between brushy hillsides and madrone and oak filled canyons, about a quarter of it exposed to the sun. The weather was great, sunny but not too hot. An ample supply of water to prevent dehydration and long pants to protect us from the ubiquitous poison oak came in handy.

We had lunch on a shady place among the rocks with a good view of the San Lorenzo Headwaters. After lunch, a short



hike brought us to the intersection with the Ridge Trail. After a shady but steep ascent (which made us wonder about Gary Ruppel's insight that "on the average the hike was flat".) we arrived at Goat Rock, the most impressive rock outcropping in the park. There we watched some rock climbing sites and decided that for us the clambering over the rocks on the trail was challenging enough. Another mile down, then up again to the Castle Rock formation where we learned how the tafoni caves and sculpted surface features were formed. A short downhill hike brought us back to the parking lot. A great 6.2 mile hike, quite challenging at places, but well within the capability of the group.

Pictured (L-R): Klaus Model, Stan McCarthy, John Kwan, Eileen Ruppel, Dee Baily, Ed White, Gary Ruppel, Bernard Bruand, Duncan Missimer, and John McCabe.



RETIREE VOLUNTEERS

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HPREC Volunteers Create Salmon Estimating Kits at RAFT

By John McCabe

How do you estimate the number of salmon in the ocean? It is simple if you know how. You catch, tag, and release a number of salmon. You let them mix themselves with the rest of the population and then take a representative sample. You now know the percentage of fish in your sample that were tagged, and the total number of tagged fish. Calculating the total population estimate is straight forward. A team of HP and Agilent Retired Volunteers, plus an incoming college freshman, created kits so that 495 classrooms of students, including future scientists and mathematicians, can learn this first hand.

The folks at RAFT said "Thanks to Hewlett Packard and Agilent retiree volunteers for building 495 Salmon You Can Count On kits! Students will now have a hands-on activity to learn about using proportions to estimate sample size."



Marialis Seehorn and John McCabe count green tokens representing tagged salmon.



(L-R): Fran Low's granddaughter Bryn Castle, Fran Low, Marsha Lee, Keith Lee, Karen Lee, Barbara Bowden, Wanda Ching, Marialis Seehorn, Rose Mary Brodbeck, Bert Laurence, Nancy Lem, Gordon Mullin, Irene Wright, Cherie Baker, Clarence Wright, Barbara Trone, and John McCabe.

Sunnyvale Community Services (SCS)

By Marialis Seehorn

It's very discouraging to hear about the large number of families who go to bed hungry at night because of a lack of money to buy food. However, the efforts of some 14 volunteers from HPREC made sure that some 1000 clients of Sunnyvale Community Services would have bags of nourishing produce (potatoes, cabbages, tomatoes, multiple fruits, etc.) to last them for the next couple of weeks. Many thanks to the folks who donated their time and efforts to helping out in the parking lot as well as those on the "bagging lines." It's a lot of fun working with such an enthusiastic bunch as well as staying connected to our communities and each other. Come join us!

We hope to schedule another volunteer event there in February. Watch for the flyer in an upcoming newsletter.



L-R): Marialis Seehorn, Rose Mary Brodbeck, Keith and Kathy Lee, Ursula Spratz, Bill Lovvorn, Irene Wright, Carole Lovvorn, Lillian Hull, Gordon Mullin, Nancy Morgan, Marian Cochran, and Al Low.

Not pictured Nancy Lem.

Don't Sit on the Sidelines -- Get Involved!!

By Marialis Seehorn

Along with some 50 other tutors, I work one-on-one with several kids on their reading/writing skills each week at a nearby school under the supervision of Reading Partners. This program connects volunteers with struggling readers to help students build strong literacy skills, gain confidence, and discover a passion for reading. But the kids aren't the only ones who benefit -- as a volunteer, you will too! Lesson plans are well structured, detailed and easy to follow. Best of all, you don't need to be a former educator to be successful. The commitment is minimal -- one hour session (more if you can) weekly to help ensure a child's success in school.

Think you might be interested? Send me an e-mail at hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com and/or check out the program's Website at www.readingpartners.org.

Travel Talk

By your Travel Committee



The year is winding down, but your Travel Committee has some really fun events planned for the remainder of 2013 and for all of 2014. Please look at the last few pages of this newsletter for events in which you can participate. Some events do not have sign-ups yet, and we will identify them, and what you need to do to be an active member in that event.

First, a few reminders for submitting reservations:

- 1> Please write a separate check for each event. That helps us keep the books when tracking the cost of each event.
- 2> Your cancelled check is usually the confirmation you will receive for the major events, like the Holiday Luncheon, Spring Fling, and Picnic.
- 3> For most day trips, you do receive a confirmation from the Trip Leaders. Please note that we must have your correct e-mail address, as we do not call people. (Exception for those people who do not use a computer...but they must send in a stamped/self-addressed envelope with their reservation.)
- 4> Confirmations are sent to just one party if more are signed up on the form. If a husband and wife are going on a trip, only one will get a written confirmation. This applies to guests of members as well.
- 5> Cut-off dates are firm. Due to all the pre-trip bills we have to pay and head counts for luncheons/dinners, we must give the Trip Leaders time to complete those tasks. Last minute additions are very difficult to manage.

In the last newsletter, we submitted a request for input from members about a two-day event to the Sacramento area for tours of the CHP Academy and Beale Air Force Base. We have received several messages stating sincere interest, but we need more people going on this trip in order to keep the per-person costs down. Please let Pat Fausett know if you are interested. She will be sending out a note to those who have already indicated interest, so no need to duplicate this, unless you don't receive a note from her.

Remember that your active participation in your Club keeps us going! We always appreciate suggestions for events, and feel free to send them to any member of this Committee.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas. We hope to see you at the Holiday Luncheon in December!

Membership Report

By John Weidert, Membership Chair



Thank you for a great year in the membership area for HPREC.

Remember that HPREC will offer TWO \$50.00 GIFT CERTIFICATES to be awarded at the HPREC Holiday Luncheon on December 9. So, please be sure to mark your calendars and plan on attending this great event.

Here are the guidelines as a reminder: All entries from November 1, 2012 to October 31, 2013 (end of our fiscal year) are eligible. New members should write your name on their enrollment forms for you to qualify. (If you have already referred new members who have joined and paid this year, just let me know.) All members of the Club are eligible to win (except the Membership Chair). One winning certificate per member.

NEW MEMBERS - Welcome aboard to HPREC!

Emma Park
Irene Knezevich



Best wishes to you and your family for the holiday season.

HPREC Monthly Activities

By Lidia Donez

Golf

By Phil Smith



It was a beautiful day by the Bay for the Spring Valley Tournament on September 19. The 19 golfers enjoyed the play on this fun course, even if they did have some problems with the water and trees that jumped in the way of a perfect shot. Those that did manage to avoid the hazards and take home the prizes were:

Men's Flight:	John McGowan	Net 62
Low Putts	Homer Wong	31
Ladies Flight:	Marlene Cottrell	Net 68
Low Putts	Bev Murphy	36
	Janice Nakao	36
Closest-to-the-Pin:	Rhonda Louie	Hole #4
	John McGowan	Hole #7
	Mary Gong	Hole #11
	Jim Schultz	Hole #16

We played Los Lagos for our final tournament of the year on October 17, under perfect summer-like weather conditions. We had 19 players trying to tame this eclectic course, with a few surviving the challenge. Those that met the challenge and made their shots count for the prizes were:

Men's 1 st Flight:	Sam Khoo	Net 68
Low Putts	Sam Khoo	32
	John McCabe	32
Men's 2 nd Flight	Bob Williams	Net 66
Low Putts	Ben Lee	32
Ladies Flight:	Janice Nakao	Net 74
	Faith Seal	Net 74
Low Putts	Faith Seal	38
Closest-to-the-Pin:	Janice Nakao	Hole #2
	Bob Williams	Hole #8
	Frank Lawrence	Hole #12
	Sam Khoo	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 2014. As in past years, we'll have eight tournaments next year, starting with Sunnyvale on March 20. The 2014 season will be here before you know it, so get ready to play the HPREC tournaments for fun and golf ball fortune.

"Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle."

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., Jul., 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 Rd, Cupertino. It is always on the 2nd Monday of each month. Price is \$7.00 per person for 2 games (includes shoe rental). The next few bowling events are **November 11 and January 13** from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. December's date is cancelled due to the Holiday Luncheon on the same day. All skill levels are welcome. If interested, contact Carol Nakamoto at carol_nakamoto@hotmail.com or 1-650-941-3678.

December/January Hiking Schedules

By Ed White

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2013

Rainout Date: Tuesday, December 17, 2013

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: Docent led by Gordon Clark (hike by POST)

Arranged by Gary Ruppel 1-650-494-0530



Hike Location: Peters Creek Old-Growth Forest which is adjacent to Portola Redwoods State Park. Once on the property itself, we can do a 4.2 mile hike through the redwoods on property that POST and Save the Redwoods League protected in December 2012. The trail leads us into the state park. Please note: The trail is sometimes narrow, uneven and steep. It will be shady, and we will cross several creeks and climb over trees. You should plan to wear waterproof footwear (or shoes you can get wet) and layers. Hiking poles are helpful, too, if you have them. This is a great opportunity to see this majestic stand of old growth redwoods. The only other access to the grove is a 13.2 mile round trip! A few extra hiking poles will be made available.

Bring: Water, snacks or a lunch and \$2 to reimburse the drivers.

Meet at: The usual carpool location at the Arastradero Preserve parking area at 10:00 a.m. Take 280 and turn southwest on Page Mill Road. Proceed .5 miles to Arastradero Road. Then go 1.2 miles to the Enid Pearson Arastradero Preserve parking area (with restrooms) on the right. Carpooling is **HIGHLY** encouraged. If going directly, go to the Russian Ridge Trailhead. The parking area is located on the northwest corner of the Skyline Boulevard (Highway 35) and Page Mill/Alpine Road intersection (across Skyline Boulevard on the right).

Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2013. **"Like Hike"**

Rainout Date: None

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: Steve Roberts and John McCabe 1-650-328-3472



Hike Location: Our December HPREC lite hike will be a trip down memory lane. We will start at HP's current world-wide headquarters, which is at 3000 Hanover Street. We will then go down Page Mill Road to the site where HP moved when they outgrew the garage at 367 Addison Avenue. It was a rented building at the corner of Page Mill Road and El Camino (you might remember Polly & Jake's there). We will then walk down to the site of HP's first company owned building, the Redwood building at 395 Page Mill Road. Construction on it started in 1942. It was at this site in 1953 that HP completed buildings 7 and 8; they then had 100,000 feet of factory space at this site. 395 Page Mill Road was also the site of Agilent Technologies' first corporate headquarters. We will then stroll by where Maximart used to be (and Fry's currently is) and back to HP's current headquarters.

Notes: This hike is dog friendly and wheelchair accessible.

Meet at: 10:00 a.m. at the HP Headquarters, 3000 Hanover Street. Park in the lot closest to Page Mill Road in spaces not reserved for the EBC (Executive Briefing Center) or the parking lot next to it (additional visitor parking). Meet in front of the HP lobby.

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014

Rainout date: Tuesday, January 21, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: John McCabe 1-650-328-3472

Hike Location: From HP's world-wide headquarters to Los Altos' Village Court Shopping. Starting at 3000 Hanover Street, we will first take the Bol Park Bike Path; then the Los Altos – Palo Alto Bike Path. Both bike paths follow an old railroad right of way. Along the way, we can say hello to Niner and Perry, the Barron Park donkeys. You can bring your lunch and eat it at the tables and chairs at the Los Altos' Village Court Shopping Center, or you can buy lunch at one of the many restaurants there.

Difficulty: About 6 miles mostly on bike paths. Rather level.

Notes: This hike is dog friendly.

Bring: Water and either your lunch or money to buy lunch at one of the many restaurants at Los Altos' Village Court Shopping Center.

Meet at: 10:00 a.m. at the HP Headquarters, 3000 Hanover Street. Park in the lot closest to Page Mill Road in spaces not reserved for the EBC (Executive Briefing Center) or the parking lot next to it (additional visitor parking). Meet in front of the HP lobby.

Date: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 **"Lite Hike"**

Rainout date: None.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Hike Leader: Barbara Beebe 1-408-245-6451

Hike Location: Cupertino. From The Oaks Shopping Center to the Mary Avenue Bridge, then across I-280 to Homestead High School and back. This walk is just under 2 miles, all paved trail or city sidewalk, and mostly level. It is wheelchair accessible, although the ramp from Homestead to the bridge may be steep for some. Dogs on leash are welcome – bring Fido along.

Bring: Water – and money for lunch afterward if you wish – there are several eateries at The Oaks and nearby.

Meet at: The Oaks Shopping Center, Mary Avenue at Stevens Creek Blvd, Cupertino (across from De Anza College). From any direction on Highway 280 or 85, go east on Stevens Creek Blvd., then turn onto Mary Avenue (first signal). We will meet at the far back corner of the shopping center parking lot past the Blue Light Cinemas 5.

Carol's Corner

HP-related Retiree Web sites ...for HP and Agilent retirees

By Carol Nakamoto, HPREC Web Communicator

If you can't find something in either the LATEST or BASICS section of this article, refer to the front pages of your Member Directory for some tips; or if all else fails, contact me. *For new Club members where this is your first newsletter issue, you need to read both sections.*

LATEST – Updates, new info since last newsletter issue. See BASICS for navigation tips for each site.

www.hpretirees.com/hprec

A reminder to Club members: we communicate information and password access on HP retiree-related Web sites in a number of ways.

- Annual **Member Directory** (pgs 3-18) mailed to your home in your Welcome Packet when you first join the Club, then every February thereafter.
- **Carol's Corner** article in every newsletter issue.
- Passwords to secure areas of Web sites are also included in a bi-monthly **e-mail** sent from Club to members who elected the Option to be notified when the newsletter has been posted on the Club's Web site.
- On Club's Web site home page. (Click on **Web site Introduction** for information and navigation tips; passwords not incl. for security reasons.)

www.hp.com/retiree

The latest information on HP's 2014 Annual Enrollment is available on the **HP Continuum** site. On the home page, click on **Stay Connected**, select Retiree Clubs, scroll down to Alumni Groups and click HP Continuum to access the sign-in page. If you haven't created an account yet, this is the time. It's easy and free.

www.bayarea.hpway.org

Here are time-sensitive discounted online offerings:

- Porgy and Bess (Nov 10-Dec 8), Orpheum Theater, SF
- Passport Unlimited (Monster Jam, Supercross, eating out, etc.)

www.hpalumni.org



FYI - Verizon - There has been a lot of chatter lately between HPAA members as well as a few Club members inquiring...about a possible discount for retirees on Verizon phone service; here's a **copied** portion of a recent HPAA message to its members):

"It turns out that **there never was an official Verizon Wireless HP retiree discount**--it was a loophole. The discount was extended to retirees only because Verizon had not been verifying continued employment.

By googling, I discovered that Verizon is now clamping down on employee and retiree discounts for **all** companies and organizations.

Despite the wording on HP's discount website -- "Discount Programs from HP Vendors" -- employee and retiree discounts are provided through a third party that provides prepackaged discount plans for many companies. HP products are the exception.

Unlike the old days, those discounts now have nothing to do with HP's purchasing power. They are a way for consumer companies to save advertising money by using large employers to do their advertising for them -- via employee benefits programs." ...Curt Gowan, HPAA
(Note: This is just an example of what you can learn from the latest discussions on discounts and many other topics by joining this FREE ex-HP group.)

BASICS – New members, or a refresher for all members; info changes infrequently. **Passwords – keep this handy!**

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

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

HPREC (online e-mail directory):
User name: xxxxx Password: xxxxx (case sensitive, ends in number, not letter)



Passport Unlimited: HP Code: xxxxx *These are also in the front pages of your Member Directory; they are NOT online for security reasons.*

HP Branded Gear: Password: xxxxx

www.hp.com/retiree (Maintained by HP employees)

These five tabs below are found across the top of the HP retiree Web site:


Overview – Home page; HP News links
Click on **News and Feature Stories** for the latest info.

Stay Connected – Retiree Clubs, HP Alumni Association (HPAA), HP Continuum, HP's e-mail list, Facebook connection

HP Continuum offers:

- * HP, retiree, and industry news
- * Social networking tools to help you connect with other HP retirees
- * Important information about HP benefits and healthcare
- * Professional resources and HP leadership info
- * Information about company and retiree events

HP's e-mail list: If you wish to receive periodic e-mails from HP of interest to retirees, go to **Stay Connected** tab, click on **Join HP's retiree e-mail list**, and follow the instructions. *Separate from the Club's database.*

Benefits – **HP Benefits, Employee/Retiree Purchase Program (), Vendor Discounts**
Click on the **Benefits** tab, then the link on the right side of the page called **Discount Programs from HP Vendors**. Click on **Employee/Retiree Discounts**, click "Accept Terms" and "Submit". Refer to the [Passwords](#) section for user name and password wherever prompted.

View all the categories. You might find something useful (i.e., car rentals, cell phones, fitness clubs, and more). Look for the "R" indicating retirees are also eligible for the employee discount.

Contacts – HP & Agilent Contacts and Change of Address Information

If you need to reach someone at your former company, find the **contact** by clicking on this tab, then looking for your topic. There are phone numbers listed. If you move and need to report a **change of address**, you can find a list of whom to notify here as well. The SAME information is also found in the front pages of your annual HPREC Member Directory (mailed to your home every Feb).

Information Directory – A-Z list (Site Map)

Remember, the **Information Directory** tab (Site Map) is an alpha listing to help you find something. Click on the topic, and it will take you straight to the appropriate page.

www.hpretirees.com/hprec (Our Club's Web site, maintained by HPREC volunteers.)

As usual, on our Club's home page, check out the **Monthly Activities** or **Coming Events** links for luncheons, trips or tours that might interest you...updated frequently.

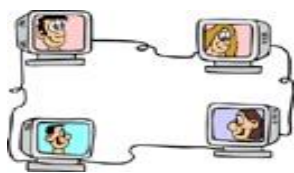
You'll also find a list of the **Club Officers and Board members** if you need help or to volunteer.

Visit our Club's site to also see published **newsletters**, add your name to the **e-mail database**, download a new **Member application** for a friend or read the **Bylaws** if you're really bored.

Refer to your Club's **Member Directory** mailed to your home for helpful material that includes navigation tips and passwords for:

- HP and HPREC Retiree Web sites
- Other helpful HP-related sites (discounts) and (HP Alumni)
- Stay Connected via E-mail

Stay Connected via E-mail...sign up to stop receiving paper newsletter



For 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.

HPREC's e-mail offerings:

NOT receiving bi-monthly e-mails (from me) that your Club newsletter has been posted online?
Want to **STOP** receiving newsletter mailed to your home (to help save the Club \$12,094/year; save a few trees)?
NOT receiving e-mails (from a Board member) about important news that can't wait for the next newsletter?

To sign up for Club news, and/or want to help the Club reduce its printing/postage expenses, go to our HPREC home page 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, click on "Add your e-mail address", review all available member options, then select your preferences.

(a) stop receiving your paper version of the newsletter in the U.S. Mail and review it online in full color ; also saves printing/postage costs for the Club.

(b) receive an e-mail notification (from me) each time a new newsletter has been posted to the Web site (every odd month).

(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 and need to change something**, 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."

Remember, this is a self-maintaining database of retiree Club members' e-mail addresses. That means YOU must keep it updated. Contact me if you need guidance.

For password information to be routinely sent to you, 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, you have not chosen this as one of your options. Refer to **(b)** in the double-lined box above.

In case you're wondering, the reason I don't repeat the u/n and p/w in all sections of the newsletter is so the Webmaster doesn't have to "bleep" them numerous times when the newsletter is posted to the Club's Web site...security reasons.

We really appreciate everyone who has signed up to receive e-mail communication from the Club. It helps!

www.bayarea.hpway.org (Maintained by HP affiliated volunteers)

Discounts

Scroll to News Highlights and Special Events, locate and click on Bay Area EP eNews link to see their current newsletter (same u/n and p/w).

Some things are available to order online like **Monterey Bay Aquarium** tickets, and some require you to pick them up at the HP Store (staffed by retiree volunteers). These are discounts negotiated for employees, and many are extended to retirees.

HP Store



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

Phone: 1-650-236-0525 (answered when staffed)

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

Pick up tickets at the HP Store: (Palo Alto, 20D Lobby)

AMC/Cinemark/Century movie passes

Disneyland

Legoland

Ski-lift tickets

Six Flags

Discovery Kingdom

Sea World

Pier 39

California Academy of Sciences

Winchester Mystery House

Certificates for 1-lb box of See's candy



Here are discounted online offerings:

Monterey Bay Aquarium

Roaring Camp Railroad

Seascape Beach Resort (Hwy 1 near Santa Cruz)

Universal Studios Hollywood

www.hpalumni.org (Maintained by former HP employees)

The HP Alumni Association operates online e-mail discussion forums for former HP and Agilent employees and current retirees, and is a vast resource of information. Being an HPAA member is extremely helpful in transitioning to life after HP/Agilent and is a great place to post a question and get lots of advice from former employees or share your knowledge.

Sign up, it's free to join. It also does not require the typical 10-year service requirement to join a retiree club. You can belong to HPREC and HPAA.

We just got word that HPREC member **Lloyd Nelson**, 96, passed away on June 23, 2013 in Aptos. He served during WWII in the 451st bomb group in Foggia, Italy as a radio operator / gunner completing 50 missions. He met Bonnie McHenry while in basic training in Casper, WY, and married her after returning from the war. He worked for more than 30 years in production control at HP in Palo Alto. Lloyd was a member of Twin Lakes Church since 1970, singing in the choir and Harbor Masters men's chorus. He was an avid golfer and devoted sports fan. Lloyd leaves behind Bonnie, his wife of 69 years, three children, Sandi, Shirley and Gary, seven grandchildren and one great grandson. (*Santa Cruz Sentinel and Bonnie Nelson*)

Manuel Coronado-Arce, 83, passed away on August 17, 2013. He was an accomplished inventor and a loyal employee to HP for over thirty years. He is survived by five children and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. (*San Jose Mercury News*)

HPREC member and former president of HPREC **Theodore Melville Blomquist Jr.**, 84, died on August 31, 2013. He was a graduate of San Jose State University and was a devoted employee to HP for 33 years. During his retirement, Ted enjoyed his daily walks and volunteering at the Sunnyvale Senior Center; but his greatest joy came from his semi-annual trips to Hawaii. Ted spent over 30 years coaching Sunnyvale Southern Little League and was well known around town as "Mr. B". He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Joan Marie Blomquist, six children; Donna, Daniel, Daryl, Duane, Debbie, and Dean; 15 grand children; 10 great grand children; and his sweet, loving dog Hopper. (*San Jose Mercury News and Chuck Quanz*)

Sebastian "Sal" Ruiz Walias, 89, died on September 3, 2013. He was a longtime employee of Westinghouse and HP, retiring in 1986. Sal is survived by his children Dennis Walias, Patricia Boone, both of Sunnyvale, Michael Walias of Elk Grove, and Robert Walias of San Jose; 7 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. (*San Jose Mercury News*)

HPREC member **William A. Fornachon**, 90, passed away on September 5, 2013. He was a veteran of WWII. (*San Jose Mercury News*) – *Unfortunately, I could not obtain more information.*

Carol Ann Lovelace, 75, wife of HPREC member Ralph Lovelace, died on September 7, 2013. She expressed herself best by singing, something she loved to do her whole life. She sang and played piano on the radio as a child, and she continued to sing in choirs throughout her life. While her children were young, Carol taught piano to them and neighboring children, often hosting recitals for her students to demonstrate what they had learned to their families. Carol is survived by her husband of 54 years, Ralph Lovelace of Los Gatos, by daughter Debora Nearman and her husband Michael of Independence, OR; by her daughter Patricia Lovelace, of Sunnyvale; by her son David Lovelace and his wife Shannon of Los Gatos; and by her grandchildren: Diane Navarrete and her husband Luis of Oregon; Rebecca Huber of Oregon; and Trevor and Tabitha Lovelace of Los Gatos; her sisters Anna Morgan of Saugerties, New York, and Marian Noren, of Colorado, as well as many nieces and nephews. (*San Jose Mercury News*)

HPREC member **Charles R. La Porte**, 85, passed away on September 27, 2013 at his home in Peoria, Arizona with his wife and family at his bedside. A graduate of Claremont College and Stanford University, he began his 29-year HP career with Neely Enterprises in the early 1960s. He had many different assignments and served also for three years as resident manager and HP representative at the Board of Directors of YHP in Tokyo, Japan. He finished his last 10 years as Eastern Sales Manager of the Customer Engineering Organization. His

retirement years were spent actively reading with an emphasis on history and working with his home owners association. Chuck is survived by his wife of 55 years, Sarah, and two children, John (Wisconsin) and Karen (Arizona). (*Sarah La Porte*)

Howard Wilson Harrington, 78, passed away on October 11, 2013. He was hired in 1962 by HP executive Barney Oliver to work in HP's Microwave Division. The division split when a percentage of staff was transferred to Santa Rosa, and the Microwave Division became Stanford Park Division. He published numerous articles in the *AIP Journal of Chemical Physics* on microwave spectroscopy. He owned two patents: "Method for Use in Spectroscopic Analysis" and "A Method for Spectroscopically Analyzing a Sample by Detecting a Radiation Field Change as a Function of the Radiation Power Density in the Sample." Later he joined the Scientific Instruments Division, where he became key in strategizing with HP's regional sales forces. Howard is survived by his son Jim Harrington, his wife Rachelle, and daughter Chiara of Redwood City; his daughter Elizabeth (Beth) Harrington Colehower, her husband Andrew, and daughters Maya and Jada of Capitola; former wife and best friend for many years and throughout this medical challenge, Ellen Harrington of Santa Rosa; his niece Anne Harrington Hughes of Hamtramck, MI and her husband and three children. (*Ellen Harrington*)

Randall R. White, 67, died on October 11, 2013. A native of San Jose and graduate of San Jose State University with a BS degree in engineering, he retired from HP/Agilent Technologies following a long and successful career. Randy leaves behind his daughter, Laura White and grandson, Riley McCallister of Campbell; sister Laurie Anton (Basil) of So Lake Tahoe; brother Brad White (Dolores) of Kailua-Kona, Hawaii; cousin, Bill Ross of San Jose and numerous nephews, nieces and friends. (*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.

HPREC Newsletter Editor NEEDED!

The HPREC Board is looking for a new HPREC newsletter editor. Our current editor, Deihleen Claffey, will be leaving the position by the end of this calendar year, and we need someone to take over the position. We are asking for volunteers now in order to allow Deihleen time to acquaint the new person to the process and the team. Hopefully, there will be an overlap and the transition will be a smooth one.

The new editor needs to know MSWord and have reasonable writing skills. The HPREC Board members, Committee Chairs and newsletter team members write the articles, create the flyers and assist with editing. The newsletter is published six times (in the odd months) each year. The newsletter team has been together for several years and work very well together. The editor coordinates the submission of the articles, pieces the articles, pictures, flyers and other information into a newsletter format, gets edit suggestions from proofreaders, and delivers newsletter file and mailing list file to FedEx for processing. Depending on the size of the newsletter, the process can take from 4 to 6 hours of time for each newsletter (every other month - example, for the September issue, primary work done between last week of August and first week of September).

Working with this group of HP/Agilent retirees is a lot of fun! **If you are interested in being the HPREC newsletter Editor, please contact Deihleen Claffey at declaf56@gmail.com.**



Holiday Volunteer Project

Help Sort Gifts for Children

@ The Family Giving Tree



Participating in the Share the Family Giving Tree Holiday Wish Drive is always a highlight of the year for HP and Agilent retiree volunteers. This “Done-in-a-Day” project will only take a few hours, but will mean a lot. We will have only a limited number of spots, which will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis, so respond quickly. We should have the location and date by the time you receive this copy of *HPREC Newsletter*.

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: To be Determined in early November

Place: Family Giving Tree Warehouse
Place To Be Determined

To get the location and the date, and to RSVP, contact:

hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com

or call John McCabe at 1-650-328-3472

Please RSVP by Wednesday, December 4

HPARV “Done-In-A-Day”

Volunteer Opportunity at



RAFT, Resource Area for Teaching, is a nonprofit organization that believes hands-on teaching is the best way for teachers to teach and students to learn. They provide creative hands-on activity kits, educational resources, workshops and inexpensive materials (Hewlett Packard is one of their best contributors) to enrich pre K-12 education and community group programs. Their goal is to assist teachers, nonprofits and community groups by providing materials and ideas for day-to-day teaching and for supporting professional growth. Volunteering at RAFT is always fun! And you get to make great things that will enrich the lives of students.

Date: Thursday, January 9, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Place: 1160 Kern Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94085

RSVP: hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com

or call John McCabe at 1-650-328-3472

by Monday, December 30, 2013

Directions and more information, go to:

<http://www.raftbayarea.org/location-sobrato-center>

EVENT: HPREC Annual Holiday Luncheon _____ person(s) @ \$30.00 per person by Nov. 15 = \$ _____ Total
 _____ person(s) @ \$35.00 per person Nov. 16 through Dec. 1 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 Dec. 1.
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HPREC ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Monday, December 9, 2013
 David's Banquet Center
 Across Tasman Avenue from the new
 San Francisco 49ers Stadium



Comfortable chairs, beautiful setting and holiday decorations.

Cost per person: \$30.00 if postmarked by November 15
 \$35.00 after November 15 & before December 2
 Deadline for reservations: Postmarked by December 1
 (NO PHONE RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN)

Entertainment Pending

Following lunch: Annual Briefing by Club President and Door Prizes

11:00 a.m: Doors open
 Social Hour: No host bar for soft drinks and/or alcoholic beverages.
 \$14.00 corkage fee for bringing your own wine.

12:00 Noon: Luncheon
 Traditional turkey "dinner" with Salad, Rolls,
 Potatoes & Stuffing, Dessert and Coffee and Tea.



For additional information or questions, please contact the Event Coordinators during normal business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please.
 Event Coordinators: Jo-Ann Butler 1-415-648-6652 or jo-annbutler@sbcglobal.net or Pat Fausett 1-650-941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net





Show Time & Dinner in San Francisco



Wednesday, December 11, 2013

Dinner at Capp's Corner: 6:00 p.m.

- Choice of entrée (**choose from special menu at the restaurant—not necessary to pre-order**).
 - Filet of Sole (lemon butter & capers)
 - Eggplant Parmigiana (marinara, bechamel & mozzarella)
 - Chicken Scaloppini (sautéed breast with mushroom sauce)
 - Pork Tenderloin (roasted with rosemary & garlic)
- Includes soup, green salad, pasta, dessert & coffee.
- Wine, sodas, & alcoholic beverages are not included. Pay at time of service.

Show time: 8:00 p.m.

- Club Fugazi in the heart of North Beach.
- Internationally acclaimed San Francisco institution.
- Longest running hit musical revue in theatre history.

TRIP COST:

Magnin Balcony: \$150.75 (1 seat available)

First Balcony: \$120.75 (14 seats available)

**Reservation and payment due no later than
November 27, 2013**

Leave: 4:30 p.m. - Vallco Shopping Mall - Cupertino (in parking lot behind JC Penney) & return at 11:00 p.m.

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: Pat Fausett 1-650-941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net or Don Higgins 1-408-736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net

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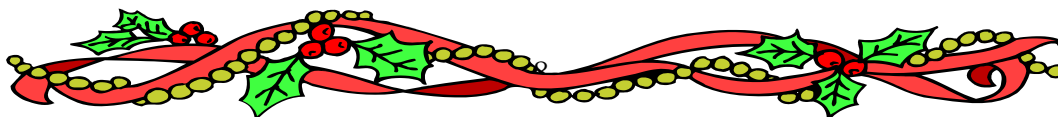
EVENT: BBB _____ person(s) @ \$150.75 per person postmarked by Nov. 27, 2013 = \$_____ Total
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 (PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

PLEASE PRINT NAMES:

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 Spouse/Guest Name _____ Phone () _____
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REMIT TO: HPREC, P.O., Box 86, Mtn. View, CA 94042-0086

E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR TRIP CONFIRMATION _____ (Please Print)



EVENT: HP Garage Tour

_____person(s)

Please indicate your preference of dates (1=1st choice; 2=2nd choice; 3=3rd choice):

Jan. 16 , 2014 (Q1)_____ Apr. 17, 2014 (Q2)_____ Jul. 17, 2014 (Q3)_____ Oct. 16, 2014 (Q4)_____

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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 1-408-446-0428 or taichats2@att.net or Pat Fausett 1-650-941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net**



2014 San Francisco Symphony Open Rehearsals

Sign up for **ONE** or sign up for **TWO!**

\$32.00 per person per rehearsal

**Wednesday,
January 22, 2014**

**Barantschik & Friends – Mozart’s Divertimento in F major for Strings;
Mendelssohn’s Violin Concerto in D minor; Britten’s Simple Symphony;
Piazzolla’s Melodia – Libertango**

Symphony rehearsal, 10:00 a.m. until finish
Doors open at 8:30 a.m., free donuts and purchased coffee
Lunch “no host” at the Ferry Building with time for shopping
Depart from Vallco Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 7:30 a.m.
Return to Vallco Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 4:30 p.m.

**Wednesday,
April 9, 2014**

**Blomstedt and Garrick Ohlsson – Mozart’s Piano Concerto No 21/Buckner’s
Symphony No 4, Romantic**

Symphony rehearsal, 10:00 a.m. until finish
Doors open at 8:30 a.m., free donuts and purchased coffee
Lunch “no host” at Pier 39 and time for shopping
Depart from Vallco Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 7:30 a.m.
Return to Vallco Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 4:30 p.m.

For additional information or questions, please contact 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 at 1-408-736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net or Pat Fausett 1-650-941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net.

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EVENT: SF Symphony Rehearsal, Jan. 22, 2014

_____person(s) @ \$32.00 = \$_____Total

EVENT: SF Symphony Rehearsal, April 9, 2014

_____person(s) @ \$32.00 = \$_____Total

(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

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Member Name _____

Phone () _____

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HPREC and Cruise Planners present:



Mackinac Island

featuring The
Grand Hotel & the
Tulip Festival
**April 28-May 6
2014**



Highlights....



- Chicago
- Millennium Park
- Mackinac Island
- The Grand Hotel
- Holland Tulip Festival
- Frankenmuth
- Edsel and Eleanor Ford House



- Experience Mackinac Island's charm and explore historical sites from the comfort of a horse-drawn carriage.
- Learn about Bavarian pretzel making and wine tasting in the quaint town of Frankenmuth.
- Marvel at the exquisite architecture, breathtaking lakefront grounds and fine arts collection at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House.

9 Days, 13 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

Per Person Rates: Double \$2,964; Single \$3,564; Triple \$2,934

Includes:

- Cancellation waiver and insurance
- Round trip air from SF airport, air taxes and fees/surcharges.
- Hotel transfers

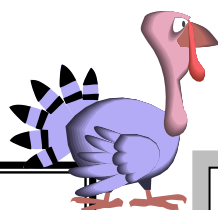
Deposit of \$415 pp (\$250 pp deposit plus \$165 pp for waiver insurance) **due**

November 21, 2013

Please contact Donald Higgins at 1-408-736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net or Debbie Lum, Accredited Cruise Counselor, at 1-408-773-8332 or dlum@cruiseplanners.com for more information and to book your trip.

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Coming Events

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| Dec. 9 | Holiday Luncheon, David's Banquet Center, Santa Clara |
| Dec. 11 | Beach Blanket Babylon, SF |
| Jan. 9 | RAFT volunteer, Sunnyvale |
| Jan. 16 | HP Garage Tour, Palo Alto |
| Jan. 22 | SF Symphony, SF |