HPREC NEWS



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HPREC President's Message By Bernard Bruand



Welcome to 2016. The Board and I wish you all a Happy New Year. I am sure you have New Year resolutions, and I wish you all the best in implementing them. For HPREC, our resolution is to implement on our strategic plan as I will explain later.

Holiday Luncheon: First, I want to give a quick summary of the Holiday Luncheon. We had 160 attendees at David's Restaurant and we received many positive comments. I want to thank John McGowan and Jo-Ann Butler for organizing this successful lunch. As this event is also the yearly Association meeting, we created a one page summary which is available in the Hot News section of our home page at www.hpretirees.org/hprec.



I will not cover all content in detail as you can read for yourself. The key points are: 50% of budget is allocated to distribution of paper copies of newsletters. We subsidize somewhat the three main events. The other expense is for the directory. We think it is aligned to the key value propositions of HPREC: helping retirees stay connected and get access to activities. Read the report and don't hesitate to ask if you need more explanation or want to give feedback.

Looking for help: First, I want to thank Patty Soto and John Weidert for their contributions to the Club for many years. They both need to focus on their health, and we wish them a full recovery. We are happy to welcome three new volunteers: in Membership - Mona Foley and Darlene Cano, and Tech Team - Dan Burke. We are still taking in volunteers, so let us know if you can help in any area of expertise or interest.

Board strategy workshops: Following last newsletter communication, here is a quick status:

- 1) **HPREC Value Proposition**: We will finalize in January or February. In the meantime, give us your feedback and suggestions on the first pass documented in the 2015 report (link on home page).
- 2) **Volunteers:** We will have more work in January.
- 3) **Membership**: The first step was the survey we conducted with the annual dues/ballot mailing. See article in this newsletter. Thanks to all who took the time to complete it. The winners of the two free 1-year HPREC memberships for FY2016 are Gerald Lee and Galen White (watch the mail for a refund check of your dues payment).
- 4) **HP Alumni Association**: John McGowan and I met with HPAA. You will see increased sharing and collaboration going forward. HPAA is focused on life after HP, helping people transition when leaving HP and connecting people through Forum and tech talk. They are better able to help with benefit questions. Membership is open to anyone who has worked for HP and is free, so I recommend you join HPAA and access their website: http://www.hpalumni.org/.

Spring Fling: We have now confirmed Andrew Bolwell as our speaker from HP Inc. The date will be March 14. Please check our website or flyer on <u>page 13</u> and don't delay making your reservations! I apologize for the delay in printing the Newsletter as we worked to finalize the details for our speaker with HP. I wish you a very Happy New Year!

Feel free to contact me with any comments, suggestions, or offers to help at ba.president@hpretirees.org.

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Help Wanted! Opportunities Available Within HPREC!!



Newsletter Editor Needed! We are still seeking someone to take over editorship of the newsletter, which requires a knowledge of MS Word and the ability to devote several days every other month putting out the newsletter. Under our new processes, the articles are written by others, and several Associate Editors do preliminary reviews, so the primary task involved is assembling the articles, flyers and photographs into a high-quality MS Word document (or equivalent options, such as Adobe's InDesign), and then converting to a PDF file for printing and publication on our website.

The number of people requesting a paper copy is slowly going down as more members elect to view/download the online newsletter, helping to reduce the mailing costs for the newsletter. Remember the online newsletter contains all <u>color</u> photos, and hyperlinked shortcuts to allow you to jump directly to articles and flyers.

You can change your profile online on the HPREC home page under:

Join-Renew-Update: Click on <u>Member Info Updates</u>. See <u>Carol's Corner</u> for more information on this. You can also opt out of receiving a paper copy, which saves money for the Club.

Welcome Aboard! By Oscar Lombardi, Membership Chair



I would like to extend a warm welcome to the following **NEW** members who have joined our Club during October and November 2015. **Karen Grimm, Robert Neil Johnson, David Karwowski, Nancy Lee Kathary, S. J. (Jeff) Rosner, Richard Rosson, Alicia Graciela Turner,** and **Jack Wu.** *Welcome aboard and thank you for joining HPREC!*

The HPREC Club Membership now stands at 965!

Membership Report By Oscar Lombardi, Membership Co-Chair

Club membership renewal! As of submittal time for this article, we were still short some 200 plus membership renewals. Renewal reminders were mailed during the week of December 21. Hopefully you have already sent us your renewal. If not, please consider doing it, the Club needs your membership and participation to continue to serve all members. Please also note that every reminder we mail costs around \$1, money that could be put to good use for the benefit of the members. Go to our Club's home page and renew online.

You can win a <u>Gift Certificate</u>! Our Bay Area HPREC Club is continuing its campaign to increase membership, and we need your help!

Please keep up your efforts to remind your friends of the opportunity to join HPREC. None of the companies provide the Club with retiring employee's names for privacy reasons, so we rely mostly on word-of-mouth. The benefits are many and the cost is very low. Remember, eligibility to join requires only a minimum of 10 years with HP and/or Agilent/Keysight, and members can live anywhere. I will repeat what I have mentioned in a previous HPREC newsletter:

To help all of us in our recruiting efforts, utilize our **INFORMATIVE BROCHURE** highlighting the key activities and benefits that come with being a member of HPREC. This brochure is available on the www.hpretirees.org/hprec website. Click *HPREC Brochure* on the left navigation bar to access the tri-fold brochure. Please print out some copies and give them to your HPE, HPI, Agilent or Keysight retiree friends. Or, if you would like hardcopies sent to you, send an email to me at ba.membershipchair@hpretirees.org and provide your mailing address and the number of copies you want.

To encourage participation, HPREC offers **TWO \$50.00 GIFT CERTIFICATES** to be awarded at the HPREC Holiday

Luncheon in December 2016. Here's how you can qualify for the drawing. Each person you encourage to join HPREC (with dues paid) will automatically put your name in the drawing pool. Bring in more than one member, and you will have your name added to the pool an additional time. Bring in three new paid members and get three chances to win. There is no limit to how many paid members you can bring in and increase your chance of winning a certificate (only one winning certificate per member).

All entries from November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016 (end of our fiscal year) are eligible. New members should enter <u>your</u> name on <u>their</u> enrollment form for you to qualify (either online or mail-in form). (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). If you have questions or comments, please send an email to me, Oscar Lombardi at ba.membershipchair@hpretirees.org,

So, let's go out and talk to our friends and increase our membership level! You will be doing the new member and the Club a real favor.

HPREC Thanks Patty Soto By Oscar Lombardi

The running of our Club is highly dependent on the contribution from members who volunteer their valuable time, talent, and enthusiasm to continue the spirit of our founders via the HP Way. Many of these volunteers work in the background; their names don't always appear in the newsletter or other communications, but their contribution is key to maintaining the viability of our Club.

Patty Soto started volunteering for HPREC Membership just over five years ago. Her activities consisted in ensuring that our membership information was kept up to date, processing renewals and changes in status, mailing welcome packets, and answering questions from other HPREC volunteers and Club members as they related to Membership.

A few months ago, Patty informed us that she wanted to take a break from volunteering. Recently, two members of our Club agreed to take over Patty's responsibilities in the Membership area.

Patty worked over 32 years for HP in Human Resources as well as the Resellers organization. Patty recently mentioned to me how much she'd really enjoyed the time she spent volunteering for HPREC Membership and making new friends in the process which made her volunteering more fun and rewarding.

On behalf of your HPREC fellow Membership volunteers, the HPREC Board and all other HPREC volunteers and members, our sincere thanks to Patty for your wonderful work over the last five years. We will certainly miss you and wish you a well-deserved rest.

HPREC Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending October 31, 2015

By Gordon Mullin, Treasurer, HPREC

Income actually exceeded expenses for the fiscal year on a cash basis, mainly because more dues revenue came in earlier than usual (before October 31).

Our income , including dues and interest		\$19,000
Our expenses:		
Events and Day trips; (We budget to support the 3 lunch events)	\$ 2,350	
Printing/Mailing of newsletters, Directory and dues notices	\$12,900	
Administrative expenses: insurance, postage, supplies, website, memorial donations, etc.	\$ 1,850	
Total expenses for the fiscal year		\$17,100

The income over expenses for the year was \$1,900. As you can see, our major expense remains the mailing of newsletters and the Directory. Excluding the overlapping cash revenue attributed to dues payments, the Club operated at roughly breakeven level for the year, even including small subsidies for our three major club events (Holiday Lunch, Spring Fling Luncheon and Picnic).

A How-to Manual on the Disposition of the Contents of a Home

By John Minck

At our senior age, many of us have faced the job of helping our parents or friends downsize their home to move to senior housing, or to empty and close their home after their death. In the last year, I've tried to help the children of several HP friends, struggling with what to do with hobby collections, a garage full of power tools, shelves of books and a gazillion HP binders. It is pretty overwhelming. But most of us don't want to just call "Got Junk?" and have them haul it all to a dump. Many of us feel compelled to "find a good home" for many of these items.



I've created a manual, and it's just a starting point for ideas and specific contacts on disposing of the collections of stuff that might have taken a lifetime. The contents come from suggestions made by members of the Hewlett-Packard Retired Employees Club, as they have gone through the process.

Because of its length and potential for expansion over time, it has been referenced on our HPREC home web page. Go to http://www.hpretirees.org/hprec/, click on the **Getting Rid of Stuff/Downsizing** link, and you will find a list of ideas that will periodically be updated.

If you have something to contribute, please send it to me at jlminck1222 at att.net. *Thanks to those of you who already sent in helpful information*.

HPREC 2015 Holiday Luncheon By John McGowan, Vice President

This year, 160 members of HPREC and their guests gathered in Santa Clara on December 7 for the Club's Annual Holiday Luncheon. We returned to David's Banquet Center, across from Levi's Stadium, and they again provided an excellent meal. Special thanks to my co-chair, **Jo-Ann Butler**, and the other volunteers for their work to organize and provide assistance at the event, including check-in, photography,

and the other volunteers for their work to organize and provide assistance at the event, including check-in, photography, decorations and prize distribution. Among the many helpers to recognize are **Gordon Mullin**, **Phil Smith**, **Chris Gandel**, **Paula Hoelker-williams** and **Kathy Hall**.



David and Jean Ebrahimoun, the owners of David's, also deserve thanks for their outstanding management of the event. We plan to return for future events for as long as the City of Santa Clara will allow them to continue managing the facility.

We learned from prior member surveys and made a determined effort this year to shorten the "official business" aspects of the luncheon, and to expedite the distribution of awards and door



Club President, Bernard Bruand, welcoming the attendees.

prizes after lunch. Again, the elimination of a guest speaker was affirmed as a "positive," allowing more time for socializing. We thank **Shawna Mueller** and HP Inc. for their donation of two new tablet computers (won by **Dee Hayes** and **Ian Band**). We also thank **Christian Novak** from First Tech Federal Credit Union for the huge gift basket, won by **Herb Knoesel**. Other prizes included

See's and Ghirardelli chocolates, and Home Depot gift cards. Twenty attendees went home with the poinsettias used as centerpieces.



(L to R): Jo-Ann Butler, and Evelyn & Galen White.



Retired attorney Bob Sutis (dark shirt on right) making a point.



(L to R): Janet & Roy Clifton, and Dan & Birgitta Schettler



(L to R): Jesse Cano, Nat Hanson, Del Hanson, Elizabeth Shen, Ronda Rosner, Jeff Rosner and Darlene Cano.

HPREC 2015 Holiday Luncheon (continued)



(L to R): Marilyn Howard,
Judy Goodnow,
Tom Freed,
Linda Freed,
Bonnie Adams
and
Marty Koerner.



(L to R): Bob Serio, Stan Espinoza, Rosemary Serio, Linda Izer, Pat Montoya and Joe Montoya.

HP Alumni Association Update By John McGowan

As Bernard noted in his article, HPREC and HPAA are exploring ways to work more closely to serve the needs of retirees and former employees of HP. HPAA has thousands of members who need only to have worked at HP or one of the spin-out companies to participate. Their focus is on networking, assisting participants to find new employment, and to share information regarding financial planning and medical insurance, regardless of members' ages. One recent webinar offered tips for Medicare, which could be of value to recent retirees as well, and even more mature retirees as the Social Security Administration moves towards a new model of providing insurance. The webinar includes material specific to HP and HP's various Medicare supplement programs. HPAA members and non-members can view the webinar at: http://www.hpalumni.org/medicare.

Another interesting discussion has looked into the formulas for calculating the basis of HP stock shares after splits or spins. There are several calculators available, and the link here will allow members to plug in dates and values to determine exact allocated cost basis, if they have the necessary records. While each taxpayer is responsible for determining their own cost and sales gains or losses, they do provide a formula and records to assist. Members should look at: http://h30261.www3.hp.com/faq/separation-faqs.aspx?jumpid=reg_r1002_usen_c-001_title_r0001 for additional information. Alternatively, there are stock price tracking services like **BigCharts.com** that provide historical pricing by date, and can provide high and low trade prices for any given date, adjusted for splits. Those values might also be useful in determining historical stock share costs.

The Bill and Dave Golf Classic—Giving Back to Society! By John McCabe





In December the Bill Hewlett and Dave Packard Charity Golf Classic team presented a check for \$36,000 to the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford. Dr. Seth Ammerman talked about the ever increasing need for medical services for at-risk teens throughout Santa Clara, San Mateo and San Francisco counties, how he and the Teen Health Van team are addressing these needs with their free services, and the importance of our contribution to their ongoing efforts. HPREC's Judy Owen led the 2015 campaign that made this happen. The combined HP and Agilent Golf Clubs are still hoping someone will step forward to lead a tournament in 2016, but as of now there are no plans to continue the tournament beyond its 20th year.



(L-R): HPREC's Artie Schleifer, HPREC's John McCabe, Lynne Houghton, HPREC's Shelia Highe, Daniel Leith from HP Inc., HPREC's Judy Owen, and Dr. Seth Ammerman with the check.



Update By Carol Nakamoto, your HP Inc. Liaison

- As you have previously been informed by HP, we (all current HP Retirees) have been assigned to HP Inc. (HPI) for our benefit administration. HPI is also continuing to maintain the HP Retiree website as a resource to us, for benefit information (including the EPP program and vendor discounts), Contacts, links to all clubs and company history.
- NOTE: As part of the split, HPI needed to CHANGE the **user name** and **password** to gain access to the Benefits section (vendors/merchants/discounts) of the HPI maintained retiree website. Please refer to Carol's Corner article, PASSWORD section to make note of the new u/n and p/w.
- The company is also in the process of transitioning the HP Continuum website to a new provider on February 1 that offers increased capability and resources. More important information on this will be in our next issue in early March.

Hewlett Packard Enterprise

Update By Carol Nakamoto, your **Hewlett Packard Enterprise** Liaison

Since November 1, 2015, I'm quite sure there are no HPE retirees yet, so this "update" will be brief. Just wanted you to know that HPE and HPI cloned the retiree website as of the split, and HPE is maintaining a site of their own. We hopefully will have HPE retirees join our Club over time. You can check it out at http://www8.hp.com/us/en/hpe/jobs/retiree/overview.html.

First Tech Update By John McGowan

There are no scheduled First Tech Federal Credit Union Webinars planned for the next two months. The credit union has posted a number of short YouTube videos to help members set up new payment systems and to protect your identity and make travel easier. The new "Chip & Pin" MasterCard credit and debit cards being issued provide additional security for

members and also limit the fraud liability of the credit union. They are compatible with international standards for members traveling to parts of Europe and other locations where they are the only cards acceptable at ATM machines.

One useful related video explains briefly how to set a "Travel Alert" with the credit union so that your use of credit or debit cards on a vacation trip won't be at risk of triggering fraud shutdowns, and the alerts will also allow fraud monitoring to act in the event the cards are used outside of the planned trip you have communicated to First Tech. The video is available to watch at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1EvDgURqYaE

FAIOIS COLLET - HP-related Retiree Websites

... for HPI/HPE, Agilent and Keysight retirees

By Carol Nakamoto, HPREC Web Communicator

LATEST - Updates, new info from last newsletter.

www.hpretirees.org/hprec - HPREC (Our Club's website, maintained by HPREC volunteers)

Club membership renewal - it's not too late!

We will always accept your membership renewal; but if you haven't renewed by Jan 15, you will have <u>missed</u> the deadline to automatically receive your annual Member Directory at your home in late February. The sooner you renew after the deadline, the better chance that we will have a copy to send to you at your request. Two ways to renew:

- 1) Renew online by going to our website (above). Click on **Renew Membership** to process your renewal and pay your dues online (remember, you do NOT need to be a member of PayPal to pay your dues in PayPal). -OR-
- 2) Mail in your renewal form (sent to your home in Sept) and check, and send them in ASAP.

Club Email Database - a change

In November's issue, we told you that the Board has decided to improve our communication with Club members. Earlier this month, we changed every member's "Member Email Options" in our Membership Program to show a willingness to receive all email messages from the HPREC Board. This will include 1) receiving notification from me that the newsletter has just been posted online and 2) any email notifying membership of important news or an action to take. If you are OK with this change, you do <u>not</u> need to do anything and you can skip this next part.

If you wish to change these Member Options, follow these steps:

- 1) Go to our Club's home page, click on Member Info Updates link in left navigation bar or under Popular Links;
- 2) Enter the user name and password found in the 1) PASSWORDS section of Carol's Corner article, 2) email sent to you notifying you the newsletter just got posted online, or 3) 2015 Member Directory in the Passwords section of the **Web Introduction** pages;
- 3) In the online form, select the box titled **Email/Newsletter Notification Preferences (Member options)**;
- 4) Complete data fields with **red** stars, then make your preferred selection(s), one or both:
 - [] Do not send an email notification when a new issue of **HPREC NEWS** is posted on the HPREC website
 - [] Do not send news emails from a Board member (or designate)

Personal info on file with Club - needs updating?

If you need to change your mailing address, phone number, email address, follow Steps 1 and 2 above, and fill in what needs to be changed. That will be sent to a member of the Membership Team who will update the database for you.

Club newsletter "delivery" method - help Club save \$\$

While on the **Member Info Updates** online form, this is also an opportunity to change your selection of not receiving a paper newsletter mailed to your home. *Willing to help the Club reduce our postage expenses?* If you could consider reading the color version online instead, give it a try by selecting:

No, I do not need a paper copy of the Club's newsletter. If you change your mind, you can go back in and select:

[] Yes, continue/resume sending me a paper copy of the Club's newsletter. We will NOT be making any data changes in this field; if you currently are receiving a paper copy, you will continue to do so until you select No. www.hp.com/retiree - (Maintained by HP Inc (HPI) for retirees)

The user name and password has changed to access Benefits (vendors/merchants). See Passwords section. As a reminder, HPI will no longer be hosting Agilent and Keysight *Contact and Change of Address* info on its website starting February 2016. Both companies have provided me with a list of Contacts that we will include in our 2016 Member Directory...another benefit of Club membership.

www.hp.alumniprogram.com/continuum/home - HP Continuum (Maintained by HPI for retirees)

In February 2016, HPI is transitioning HP Continuum functionality to a new vendor. Our Club's Tech Team has been in communication with the HP manager responsible for this migration and we've been provided the opportunity to give input to its features, design, and capability. Once it is live, we will work with HPI on possible synergies. Stay tuned.

www.bayarea.hpway.org - Bay Area Employee Programs (Maintained by HP affiliated volunteers)

Discounted offerings made available to HP employees are passed along to retirees; *see password section for info*. You can also access this website from the Club's home <u>page</u> (under Discounts/Benefits).

Here are time-sensitive ONLINE offerings:

- > SHN Orpheum Theater *Jersey Boys* (Jan 20-Feb 14, 2016)
- > SAP Harlem Globetrotters (Jan 15, 22, 24, 2016)
 Disney On Ice Presents Frozen (Feb 17-22, 2016)
- > **Broadway, San Jose Star Trek** (Mar 30, 2016)





Discounted tickets are available for <u>pick up</u> at the HP Employee Store: 3000 Hanover St, Palo Alto in <u>Lobby 20D</u>; <u>HP Inc.</u>, <u>Agilent and Keysight retirees will continue to have access</u> to this HPE headquarters Lobby D (back of building); no special access or appointment needed, as HP Store is in front of security doors inside lobby. Store hours: Wed-Fri 11:30-1:30 except HP holidays: Phone: 650-238-0525, answered when volunteers are present.

www.hpalumni.org - HP Alumni Association (Maintained by volunteer HP retirees/former employees)

Join at no charge; use the online Benefits forum to compare notes on US retiree health plans – year-round and during Annual Enrollment. Check out their website for a wealth of information and selected forums to join.

Passwords are not shown in the <u>online</u> newsletter for security reasons. They are in:



- Annual Member Directory mailed to your home
- Paper version of the newsletter
- Bi-monthly email from me notifying you that the newsletter has been posted online

Program	URL	Username	Password
HPI (News, Benefits and Stay Connected) New!	www.hp.com/retiree		
Bay Area Employee Programs (Discounts)	www.bayarea.hpway.org		
HPI Branded Merchandise	www.hpstore.com		
Passport Unlimited (dining discounts)	www.bayarea.hpway.org		
Online HPREC Member Info Updates form (Note: password is case sensitive)	www.hpretirees.org/hprec/		

>> Contact **Carol Nakamoto** at <u>CarolsCorner@hpretirees.org</u> or call me (phone number in annual directory) if you need help with a website.

Upcoming Activities, Events, Trips and Volunteer Opportunities

This table combines information about all the Club's social gatherings into an easy-to-use table that is sorted by date. Scan this list, check off the ones you want to attend, and be sure to add them to your calendar.

Events that are not free of charge have a \$ in the "Type" column. All others are free, or at least potentially free if you don't participate in the carpool.

Type	Date and Time	Description and Location	Sign Up Deadline
Bowl \$	Jan. 11, 11 am – 12:30 pm	Homestead Lanes, Cupertino	Just come!* or see Page 18
Hike	Jan. 12, 10 am – 2 pm	Sawyer Camp Trail Hike	Just come!*
Hike	Jan. 20, 10 am – 1 pm	Shoreline Park Lite Hike	Just come!*
Bowl \$	Feb. 8, 11 am – 12:30 pm	Homestead Lanes, Cupertino	Just come!* or see Page 18
Hike	Feb. 9, 10 am – 2 pm	Stanford Dish Hike, Palo Alto	Just come!* or see Page 18
Hike	Feb. 17, 10 am – 1:30 pm	Don Edwards Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Lite Hike	Just come!* or see Page 18
Tour \$	Feb. 18, 8:45 am – 3:30 pm	Monterey Movie Tour & lunch at Lodge	Limited to 33 people, * or
		at Pebble Beach's Tap Room	see Page 11
Volunteer	Feb. 24, 10:45 am – 2 pm	Sunnyvale Community Services	See Page 12
Luncheon\$	Mar. 14, 11 am – 2 pm	Spring Fling Luncheon	See Flyer on Page 13
Hike	Mar. 8, 10 am – 2 pm	Wunderlich County Park, Woodside	Just come!* or see Page 18
Bowl \$	Mar. 14, 11 am – 12:30 pm	Homestead Lanes, Cupertino	Just come!* or see Page 18
Volunteer	Mar. 16-17, 8 am – 4 pm	Santa Clara Valley Science Fair	See Page 14
Golf \$	Mar. 17, 10 am -3:30 pm	Golf at Sunnyvale Golf Course	See Flyer on Page 15
Hike	Mar 16, 10 am – 2 pm	Stevens Creek Shoreline, Lite Hike	Just come!* or see Page 19
Volunteer	Mar. TBD	La Comida Dining Room	See Website for update
Bowl \$	Apr. 11, 11 am – 12:30 pm	Homestead Lanes, Cupertino	Just come!* or see Page 18
Golf \$	Apr. 21, 10 am - 3:45 pm	Golf at San Jose Municipal Golf Course	See Page 17
Golf \$	May 19, 10 am – 3:45 pm	Golf at Spring Valley GC, Milpitas	See Page 17
Golf \$	June 16, 10 am – 3:45 pm	Golf at Santa Clara Golf Course	See Page 17
Golf \$	July 21, 10 am – 3:45 pm	Golf at Sunnyvale Golf Course	See Page 17
Golf \$	Aug. 18, 10 am - 3:45 pm	Golf at San Jose Municipal Golf Course	See Page 17
Golf \$	Sep. 15, 10 am - 3:45 pm	Golf at Spring Valley GC, Milpitas	See Page 17
Trip \$	Sep. 17-23	"Southern Charm" 7-day Tour: Jekyll	See Page 16
		Island, Savannah, Charleston & more	
Golf \$	Oct. 20, 10 am – 3:45 pm	Golf at Los Lagos GC in San Jose	See Page 17

^{*} Online Events Calendar: Go to www.hpretirees.org/hprec and click on Calendar of Events.



February 18, 2016 \$108.50 - Tour & Lunch Limited to 33 people

Jump onto the set of some of Hollywood's biggest blockbusters in the Scenic Movie Tour of Monterey. Acting legends from **Clint Eastwood** and **Marilyn Monroe** to **Elizabeth Taylor** and **Tom Hanks** have made these movies famous, and now you too can be right in the action!

The three hour tour takes you through Central California's breathtaking landscape to view **72 scenes from your favorite films.** See them first on a TV monitor while on board our deluxe coach bus, and then make a few pictures of your own. Filming of onboard movie presentation is prohibited.

Monterey Movie Tours® showcases the Monterey Peninsula's legendary scenery along with the big screen splendor that made the area famous. Appreciate this peek into local and cinematic history – complete with classic Hollywood clips and celebrity stories. See a young **Bob Hope** attempt to beat a murder rap in "My Favorite Brunette," as you drive by the mansion where the picture was filmed. Watch clips and hear personal accounts of a young **Jimmy Stewart**, who filmed Hitchcock's thriller, "Vertigo," in Pebble Beach. Remember how teen heartthrobs **Troy Donahue** and **Sandra Dee** fall in love in "A Summer Place." Then, learn about the movie's unforgettable theme song. Other highlights of this half-day tour include on-screen appearances by **Cary Grant, Joan Fontaine, Clint Eastwood, Doris Day, Marilyn Monroe and Leonard Nimoy**, as well as stops at The Lone Cypress and The Lodge at Pebble Beach.



The tour makes three stops along its 32-mile loop including:

- **Bird Rock** where you can find a bevy of marine mammals frolicking in the place of leading lovers Troy Donahue and Sandra Dee
- Lone Cypress Tree one of California's most treasured, and most photographed, landmarks. It stands in the background of some of the 200 movies filmed in the Monterey area
- Lodge at Pebble Beach with lunch at the Tap Room—which overlooks the world-renowned Pebble Beach Golf Links, four times the site of the U.S. Open. It is a part of the famed 17-Mile Drive, on the California coast between Monterey and Carmel.

Other attractions include: Downtown Monterey, historic Cannery Row, Monterey Bay, and much more!

Depart from Vallco Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 8 am. Return to Vallco at 4:30 pm.

For additional information or questions, please contact
Trip Leader Don Higgins at 408-736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net

EVENT: MONTEREY MOVIE TOURpers	son(s) @ \$108.50 per person	= \$Total
PRINT NAMES:	(PLEASE WRITE ONE CH	IECK PER EVENT)
Member Name	Phone ()	
Spouse/Guest Name:	Phone ()	
(Please <i>CIRCLE</i> if spouse or guest is a member?YES		
Emergency Contact		Member
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Sunnyvale Community Services

Sunnyvale Community Services is an independent, nonprofit emergency assistance agency. Their mission is to prevent homelessness and hunger for low-income families and seniors facing temporary crises. They provide financial aid, food, and other support that prevents larger problems with more expensive solutions. We can help. Come join us as we sort and bag produce and groceries and distribute them to SCS clients.

Date & Time: Wednesday, February 24, 2016, 10:45 am – 2:00 pm

Place: Sunnyvale Community Services, 725 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Directions: From Highway 101, take the Fair Oaks Avenue exit and go south on North Fair Oaks Avenue.

After 0.8 miles, continue on North Wolfe Road. After 0.9 miles, turn right on East Kifer Road.

Sunnyvale Community Services will be in .01 of a mile on your right.

Please use street parking -- lot is for client use only.

RSVP: *hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com* or call **Marialis Seehorn** at 408-244-7556 **by February 17**.

More information: http://www.svcommunityservices.org/index.html



La Comida Dining Room

La Comida Dining Room in Palo Alto plays invaluable roles in ensuring seniors receive a nutritious and affordable meal, as well as enjoy opportunities to socialize and get connected to activities and services that promote healthy aging. Come join us as we will help set up the dining room, greet guests, serve food and refreshments, and assist with cleanup to make this meal special for local seniors while they dine.

Date & Time: Monday or Tuesday, March TBD, 2016, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

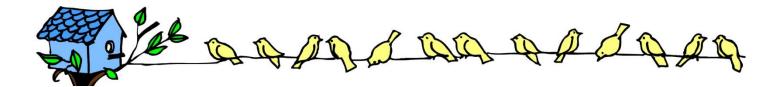
Place: La Comida Dining Room - Located in Avenidas, 450 Bryant Street, Palo Alto, CA 94301

Directions: La Comida Dining Room is just off University Avenue. Google for best directions.

RSVP hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com or call Marialis Seehorn at 408-244-7556 by Tuesday, March

TBD.

More information: http://www.lacomida.org/Pages/default.aspx



ANNUAL SPRING FLING LUNCHEON

Monday, March 14, 2016

Mariani's Inn and Restaurant, 2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

Cost per person: \$30 per person if postmarked by February 29

\$35 per person if after February 29 / at the door

11 am: Doors open for social hour: No host bar for soft drinks and/or alcoholic beverages

12 Noon: Luncheon

Choice of Entrée

- Corned Beef & Cabbage
- Filet of Sole Almandine
- Vegetarian Pasta Primavera
- Pasticcio Roasted Pork Tenderloin

Entrée served with fresh garden salad, French roll & butter, dessert, and freshly brewed coffee or tea

GUEST SPEAKER: Andrew Bolwell

Global Head of Technology Vision and Ecosystems, HP Inc.

For additional information or questions, please contact the Event Coordinator during normal business hours of 9 am to 5 pm, Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. **Event Coordinator:** Harold Kaye 408-257-9629 or kaye_harold@yahoo.com

You can sign up & pay online at www.hpretirees.org/hprec or complete the form below.

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Volunteers Needed To Help With Science Fair



(Science background not needed except for judging.)

HPARV invites you to join with many other volunteers in this year's Synopsys Science & Technology Championship.

About 1000 students will be participating in the fair, and there are many ways you can help either day. We need more volunteers, so if you can, please help us!

What: County-wide regional science fair for students in grades 6-12

Where: San Jose McEnery Convention Center, South Hall, San Jose

When: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 – Student check-in and set-up

8 am – 6 pm (Lunch provided)

(or 8 am - 12 noon or 12 noon - 6 pm)

Thursday, March 17, 2016 — Judging day

11 am - 6 pm (Lunch provided)

(we need a few volunteers around 9 am to help set up judges)



What's Needed?

1. General volunteers:

- * Wednesday: Help students through the registration process, help them find their assigned space to set up their projects, run errands, etc.
- * **Thursday:** Help register judges, monitor the hall during judging, etc.

 Tasks can be sitting, walking or standing. Indicate if you have a preference.

Send an email with your name, phone number and time availability to:

Rose Mary Brodbeck - rm_brodbeck@comcast.net or call Rose Mary at 650-968-4269.

2. <u>Judges:</u>

If you have a degree in science, technology, engineering or math and are interested in judging, go to www.science-fair.org, then go to Judges, and, under Category Judges, click on Category Judging Registration to register as a judge. If you have any questions, please send an email to judging@science-fair.org.

For further information, see the Science Fair website at: www.science-fair.org.

Previous volunteers at this event say it's fun and rewarding. Please volunteer. You'll be glad you did! And we need you!



HPREC Golf Tournament in March



Notes:

- Each HPREC member may invite one guest.
- Pay for golf carts (\$14/person) in the pro shop at check-in.
- For further information, contact Marilyn Roellig:

Email: mroellig@comcast.net or 408-245-9325 (home) / 408-218-9379 (cell).

Sunnyvale Golf Course

605 Macara Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94085 408-738-3666

Date: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Starting Time: 10 am

Cost: Seniors (60+) **\$30**; Non-seniors **\$40**

(includes \$3 prize fund)

Reservations due by: Saturday, March 12

Make check(s) payable to **HPREC GOLF** and mail with this form to:

HPREC Golf, c/o Phil Smith
802 Beaverton Court
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

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HPREC GOLF RESERVATION

Sunnyvale, March 17, 2016

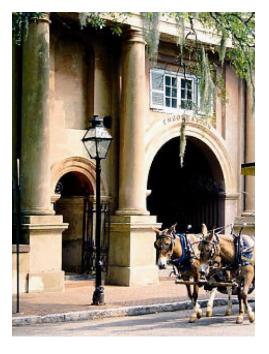
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HPREC Monthly Activities Compiled by Lidia Donez

Golf By John McCabe



Happy New Year! 2015 had the lowest turnout in Phil's seven year history as HPREC Golf Chair. Attendance was down approx. 25% from the previous year's averages of around 22 players per tournament. Some folks who used to be regular players could no longer play; we added some new golfers, but not enough. Only the last two tournaments, at Spring Valley & Los Lagos, had 'normal' attendance. So, if you

play golf, no matter how well, and have not been coming to HPREC tournaments, do so. And bring a friend.

The final event of the season was the announcement at the Holiday Luncheon of the highly coveted Golfer of the Year award and the \$50 prize that goes with it. For 2015, the honors went to Rhonda Louie, her fourth win in a row for the ladies flight, and to Navin Shankar, his first win, for the men's flight. Navin plays in a foursome that's been playing together for some time now. He's the 3rd player in the foursome to win Golfer of the Year, along with Ben Lee and Mike Carveiro. Congratulations to Rhonda and Navin for their great play throughout the year!

Over a year ago, Phil Smith announced that 2015 would be his last year serving as HPREC's Golf Chair. In the 7 years that Phil served in this capacity, he did a superb job. Thank you so much, Phil!

A whole bunch of people will be required to do what Phil did all by himself these last 7 years. Shelia Highe, with assistance from Phil, negotiated the 2016 course contracts. Marilyn Roellig will be performing the handicapping. Shelia will track who has won how many balls (which is used to determine the Golfer of the Year awards). We did manage to convince Phil to stay on as the Club Treasurer. ©

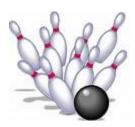
Phil has been hosting all of the tournaments; we will now spread this responsibility among various members. Marilyn Roellig will host the first tournament, Shelia Highe the second, etc. Here's the schedule for 2016 (Note: all tournaments will be on the third Thursday of the month, with the first call to tee at 10:00 am). Who will host which tournament is subject to change. The dates and venues will not change.

Sunnyvale Golf Course	March 17	Hosted by Marilyn Roellig
San Jose Muni Golf Course	April 21	Hosted by Shelia Highe
Spring Valley Golf Course	May 19	Hosted by John McCabe
Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club	June 16	Hosted by Judy Owen
Sunnyvale Golf Course	July 21	Hosted by Marilyn Roellig
San Jose Muni Golf Course	August 18	Hosted by John McGowan
Spring Valley Golf Course	September 15	Hosted by Shelia Highe
Los Lagos Golf Course	October 20	Hosted by Judy Owen

Please calendar the golf schedule for 2016 and prepare for your run at the highly coveted \$50 Golfer of the Year award. The formula is simple; just win the most golf ball prizes over the course of the year. Golf balls are awarded for the low net in each flight (women and men are in separate flights, with several places receiving golf balls), low number of putts within the flights, and the closest to the pin contests. The Golf Flyer for the first tournament at Sunnyvale is in this newsletter, so be sure to sign up for the good times of HPREC Golf tournament play, and get a jump on that \$50 grand prize.

NOTE: Due to the committee approach to hosting the tournaments, we will not be able to take your green fee payments at the course on the day of play. Instead, all green fees should be sent to Phil Smith (Treasurer) per the Entry Form on the Golf Flyer for the applicable tournament. So, get your checks in early to avoid potential problems with snail mail. If you're making a late decision to play, send Phil Smith an email at smithphil06@gmail.com to tell him that you are sending your check in the mail and plan to play. We'll make sure you get to play with your friends.

Bowling for fun! By Bernard Bruand



Come join us at Homestead Lanes at 20990 Homestead Road, Cupertino. It's the 2nd Monday of each month. Price is \$9/hour or \$5.50/game (we bowl two games; depending on number of people bowling, our cost may vary between \$11-13.50). Shoe rental is separate. The next few bowling events are **February 8, March 14 and April 11 from 11 am - 12:30 pm.** If interested, contact Bernard Bruand at ba.president@hpretirees.org or find the phone number in the Club Directory.

Hikes in December and January By Jim Holl



The Stanford Dish	Tues. Feb. 9, 10 am	Free	Leader: Jade and Chris Simonson
	Rainout: Feb. 16, 10 am		650-946-6365

Meet at the Usual Carpool Location* as parking has been reconfigured on Stanford Avenue and will be very tight.

We will hike the main loop of the Stanford Dish trail clockwise from the entry gate. This is a 3.5 mile loop with a moderately steep climb at the start. We will add an out-and-back trail of 1.5 miles behind the dish. There are no picnic tables for lunch, but areas to stop for a stand-up lunch, or bring a clean trash bag to sit on along the trail. These are paved trails and passable even when wet from recent rains.

Bring water, sunscreen, hat, lunch, and \$1 to reimburse your friendly carpool driver. Bathrooms are available at the carpool area.

Length: 5 miles. Duration: 3 hours. Difficulty: Moderate. No Dogs. Wheelchairs not advised.

Don Edwards SF Bay	Wed. Feb. 17, 10 am	Free unless you return	Leader: Gary Ruppel
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Refuge, North Lite Hike	or shine unless pouring	Bridge	

Meet at the SF Bay National Wildlife Preserve, North. This hike will afford views of the San Francisco Bay and its environs. There should be lots of waterfowl as well as salt flats.

From the South Bay, take I-880N and exit at Decoto Road/Dumbarton Bridge/84W. Then exit at Thornton south and turn right 1/4 mile into the large parking lot on your left at the top of the hill.

From the Peninsula, take Dumbarton Bridge east (the free direction - no toll). Then exit Thornton south and turn right 1/4 mile into the large parking lot on your left at the top of the hill. There are bathrooms near the parking area.

Length: about 2 miles. Duration: 1 hour. Difficulty: Flat/Easy. Leashed Dogs are restricted to a few trails. Not wheelchair accessible

Wunderlich County	Tues. Mar. 8, 10 am	Free	Leader: John McCabe
Park in Woodside	Rainout: Mar. 15, 10 am		650-328-3472

Meet at the Usual Carpool Location* or if you drive there directly, take Highway 84 (Woodside Road) west (toward the mountains) from Highway 280. Take Highway 84 (Woodside Road) past Bear Gulch Road. Turn right into Wunderlich County Park and park in the parking lot. The address is 4040 Woodside Road, Woodside, CA 94062.

We will hike a 5.4 mile loop with about 950 feet of elevation gain. The trail has a steady slope up to the meadows which are at 1,430 feet. After eating lunch, we will hike back through different but similarly sloped downhill trails. The hike will take us through a variety of environments including toyon, madrone, oak, redwood trees, and by a salamander pond. Bathrooms are at the beginning of the hike. Please bring water, sunscreen, a lunch, hiking sticks and \$3 each to reimburse the car pool drivers.

Length: About 5 miles. Duration: About 4 hours. Difficulty: Fairly strenuous. No Dogs. Not wheelchair accessible.

Hikes in February and March (continued)

Stevens Creek Shoreline	Wed. Mar. 23, 10 am	Free	Leader: Eileen Ruppel
Nature Study area at	No rainout date, go rain		650-494-0530 or
Shoreline Park Lite Hike	or shine unless pouring		650-575-4264 (cell)

Meet at the "Kite Area" parking lot at Mountain View's Shoreline Park. With all the Google and the other company employees going to work, be sure to allow sufficient time to get through traffic. To get there from highway 101, take the Shoreline Blvd. exit and continue on N. Shoreline Blvd, through the gatehouse. The "Kite Area" is very close and on the right.

Bring water and binoculars. We can expect to see pied-billed grebes, great blue herons, coots, and shovelers.

There is a portable restroom at the parking lot.

Length: 2 miles. Duration: 1 hour. Difficulty: Easy. No Dogs. Wheelchair accessible.

* The Usual Carpool Location is the Enid Pearson Arastradero Preserve parking area. From I-280, exit on Page Mill Road and go SW for about half a mile. Turn right on Arastradero Road and go 1.2 miles. The parking area is on your right. Join your fellow hikers near the restrooms.

Hiking Email List: Updates, specifics and reminders will go out to the "HPREC Hiking Distribution List" about one week prior to the hike. If you are not on that list, contact John McCabe (leonandjohn@att.net).



HPARV Volunteer News

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Happy Meals in Palo Alto! By Marialis Seehorn with photos by John McCabe

McDonald's wasn't the only organization serving happy meals in November. A volunteer team from HPREC did just that on a cold, rainy November morning for over 130 guests at La Comida, Palo Alto's Avenidas Senior Center dining room. After decorating and setting the tables and sorting donated foodstuffs, the team served up piping hot nutritious lunches of baked chicken and vegetables, with smiles and sides of friendliness. I'll bet you couldn't have found a better meal and wait service anywhere for any price.

We also had some new volunteers with us -- many thanks to them and our regulars for making this event a success! Be sure to keep an eye on our calendar and come join us when we do this again in the spring. It's a great way to spend your morning!

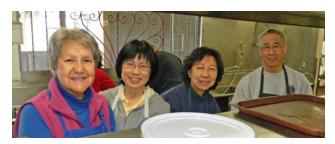


(L-R): John McCabe, Marialis Seehorn, Oscar & Brigid Lombardi, Martha Maris, Chuck Sieloff, and Sally Dudley.

Serving Folks in Menlo Park By John McCabe

Eleven HPREC folks took time from their busy early December activities to go to the Padua Dining Room and help provide hot, well balanced meals to people in the community. Tasks ranged from cleaning tables, to removing the

sprouted roots from around 15 cases of potatoes, to serving desserts.



Irene Wright, Marsha Lee, Pamela Khoo, and Keith Lee peel and chop oranges, apples, and melons for the fruit salad.

The volunteers had fun working with each other and did not cut themselves even once with the very sharp knives!! The regular Padua full-time volunteers were very helpful, showing us what to do and how to do it. The HPREC folks felt good to see that the



Marsha Lee, Gordon Mullin, and Faith Seal fill colorful cups with the cut up fruit.

clients received a very delicious meal of roast chicken, salad, rice, veggies, dessert, milk, juice and coffee. As Marsha said, "It was heartwarming to have clients thank us."



Keith Lee and Irene Wright sort through cartons of eggs and toss out the bad ones.



Bryan Lovegren, Rolf Jaeger, Bernard Bruand, and Artie Schleifer set up the produce aisle with greens, scallions, potatoes, carrots, red onions, peppers, asparagus, Brussel sprouts, and mangos.

HPREC Hiking News Compiled by Gary Ruppel

Blackberry Farm/ Ranch Lite Hike By Barbara Beebe (leader) with photo by Janet Holl

Hiking in November could present a weather problem, but on November 18, 11 hikers met on a warm sunny day to explore Blackberry Farm and adjoining McClellan Ranch in Cupertino. Strolling from Stevens Creek Blvd along a paved path, participants had an opportunity to see a variety of recreational facilities at Blackberry Farm, and learn about local history as we approached McClellan Ranch, home of extensive community gardens, a large barn and several goats raised by 4-H, a newly rebuilt blacksmith shop, and a just-opened environmental education center. After a stop at the gift shop operated by Audubon volunteers, we headed for a natural trail along the edge of Stevens Creek where we climbed over logs and ducked under low-hanging branches. We identified several trees but the only wildlife we saw was a couple of ground squirrels and their nest.

Getting there: From 280 (south & north), take the 85-south exit from 280, take the Stevens Creek Boulevard exit from 85-south, and turn right. Once on Stevens Creek, make an immediate left at the first light, which is Bubb Road, then a right at McClellan Road, a right at Byrne Avenue, and a left at San Fernando Avenue. Please enter the driveway to Blackberry Farm, make a right into the newly paved parking lot and park in one of the marked spaces. Should the lot be full, overflow parking is available at Monte Vista High School.



(L-R): Front Row: Barbara Beebe, Kristi Iverson, Karen Grimm, Gisela Knoesel and Carol Arnett. Back Row: Janet Holl, Jim Holl, Herb Knoesel, Janis Andrews, David Karwowski and Cherie Baker.

Almaden Quicksilver Park Hike By Klaus Model (leader) with photo by John McCabe

This hike was originally planned for November 10, 2015 and was cancelled because of rain that came later than expected and caused the trails to be muddy and slippery. Eight hikers plus Charlie the dog showed up on the rainout day, November 17. The weather was sunny but on the cool side, ideal for the hike. We started on the Hicks/Woods Road Trailhead as we did on previous hikes. This trailhead is at an altitude of 1,400 feet, 960 feet higher than the Hacienda entrance. We followed Woods Road, which was used in the eighteen hundreds to bring lumber from the Sierra Azul for shoring up the mines. Then we took the Yellow Kid Trail past the rotary furnace to Spanish Town, which housed as many as 1,500 Mexicans and Chileans, mostly single men, and on past the site of the Main Tunnel and the Yellow Kid Mine to English Camp, which was developed for Cornish and other English-speaking miners to live alone or with their families.

Single miners typically lived in one of the local boarding houses while married miners lived with their families in one of the dozens of houses on the hill surrounding the town. Rent was extremely affordable on the hill: \$5-\$10 per month for a



(L-R): John Kwan, Klaus Model, Chuck Sieloff, Bernard Bruand, Dee Baily, Jim Holl, John Dudley (guest and brother of Sally Dudley), Charlie the dog and John McCabe.

house and grounds, or if you wanted to pitch a tent or build a cabin, just the grounds for as little as \$10 per year. English Camp was also the site of Conservation Corp Camp during the Depression. The rotary furnace was the most modern and most efficient method of mercury extraction. Mercury ore was crushed and fed into a huge rotating pipe. The pipe was heated to 1,700 degrees. The heat produced mercury and sulfur vapors. The sulfur gas was vented into the air. The mercury vapor was condensed in a series of massive radiator-like condenser towers. The liquid mercury was collected in troughs at the bottom, ready to be poured into flasks and shipped around the world. The rotary furnace remained operating until 1976, when the area became a county park.

From English Camp, we followed the Mine Hill Road to the Christobal Mine (1866) where we were able to enter the tunnel until we got stopped by an iron gate. This was the site of our group picture. On to Bull Run, a site with sweeping views and picnic tables, a good place to stop for lunch. The Castillero Trail brought us to the high point of our hike, 1,600 feet, and back to Woods Road and on to the parking lot.

On the original date, seven hikers showed up, and we had a second pre-hike. So we had actually 13 persons participating in the hike.

Getting there: **From Highway 85** take the Almaden Expressway exit south 6.5 miles to Almaden Road. Turn right on Almaden Road and proceed 2.5 miles west to the town of New Almaden. The Casa Grande will be on your left.

From Highway 880 take 101 south to 280 north (toward San Francisco). Exit 280 at Hwy. 87 (Guadalupe Parkway) south. Exit Hwy. 87 at Almaden Expressway south (to the right). Proceed about 8 miles to Almaden Road. Turn right on Almaden Road and proceed 2.5 miles to the town of New Almaden.

Pulgas Ridge Open Space Preserve By Jim Holl (leader) with photo by John McCabe

Twelve hikers gathered at the Pulgas Ridge parking lot on a sunny and cool December 15 morning. We warmed up by climbing 100 feet up the Blue Oak Trail. We continued our hike onto the Dick Bishop Trail. This south facing trail was mostly dry after the rains last weekend. We turned up the Hassler Trail and then continued onto the Dusky-footed Woodrat Trail. We timed our turnaround point so that we were back down the Hassler Trail to the Off-Leash Dog Area by noon. We found a sunny spot for lunch and then took our group picture. Our return route was down the Hassler Trail to the Cardilleras Trail which brought us back to the parking lot. We saw very little wildlife, but we did encounter many dogs which may legally use this preserve. Assuming that we covered about 0.7 mile of the Dusky-footed Woodrat Trail, our distance was 4.2 miles, and our time was 2 hours, 15 minutes. Elevation gain was about 400 feet.

Getting there: Take highway 280 to the Edgewood Road exit and head east toward Redwood City/San Carlos. After 3/4 mile, turn left on Crestview Drive and then immediately left on Edmonds Road. Parking lot is on the right and is labeled Pulgas Ridge Open Space Preserve.



(L-R): Artie Schleifer, Elizabeth Shen, Marcia Adams, Susan Pretel, Janice Andrews, Jim Holl, Chuck Sieloff, Bernard Bruand, David Karwowski, Duncan Missimer and John McCabe. Not pictured: Shelia Highe.



Nicholas Szabo, 85, of Cupertino, technology executive and former Cupertino mayor, Oct 11, 2015. Nick was a Silicon Valley engineer and local politician who in many ways embodied the American Dream. A refugee from the Communist takeover in his native Hungary, he was accepted to attend the California Institute of Technology, where he received a bachelor's degree in physics and studied under several of the 20th century's greatest scientific figures, among them the Nobel Laureates Linus Pauling and Richard Feynman. He met his future wife, Marcia Purcifull, who was then a librarian at the school, when checking out a book. He would go on to receive a master's degree from Stanford and a Ph.D. in Computer Science from UC Berkeley, with a minor in Law. Nick went on to a distinguished career as an engineer with several of Silicon Valley's leading companies, including Hewlett-Packard, Lockheed and KLA-Tencor. He played an important role in the planning of the city as Cupertino became known internationally as the home of Apple Computer. Starting with nothing but a keen intelligence and strong work ethic, he led a full life and made important contributions to the Silicon Valley community and to American society. He is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Marcia, his sons Alex and Andrew, and five grandchildren. A Celebration of Nick's Life took place in Cupertino in December. Memorials in honor of Nick are welcomed to either Family Giving Tree: http://www.familygivingtree.org/ or the Lucille Packard Children's Hospital: http://www.stanfordchildrens.org/.

Bonnie Ehlers Paradies, 63, was a resident of Saratoga. Bonnie passed away in the evening of October 6th after a long illness. Growing up in Rochester, NY, she achieved academic honors at all levels of school finishing with a BA degree from Hartwick College. She began her career as an Admissions Counselor at the University of Rochester, but moved to California with her husband Ron a few years later. Once in California, she became Business Manager for one of the Departments at Evergreen Valley College, followed by achieving an MBA at Santa Clara University, then becoming a Software Product Manager at Hewlett Packard for more than 10 years. In her later years, she worked in Real Estate with Montalvo Realty until retiring. She believed in meditation and the spiritual side of life, she also loved music and adventure, but was most passionate about the ten golden and flat-coated retrievers that lived with her over a span of more than 35 years. The family requests that those wishing to honor her life make a donation to Homeward Bound, Golden Retriever Rescue and Sanctuary, Inc., 7495 Natomas Rd, Elverta, CA 95626. See more at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=Bonnie-Ehlers-Paradies&pid=176123771#sthash.9QpiDSec.dpuf.

Michelle Ann Mullin, 49, was a resident of Sunnyvale. She passed away peacefully in her sleep October 18th, 2015, under the care of Hospice of the Valley at Manor Care Skilled Nursing Facility in Sunnyvale, CA. Born July 3, 1966 in Sacramento, CA to Harold (Harry) & Marlene (Molly) Mullin. Michelle graduated from St. Francis High School, '84, and Santa Clara University,'88 with a B.S. in Economics. The Silicon Valley became her permanent home as she worked in sales and marketing for various technology firms including HP. During the early years of her career she was able to travel the world and soak up different cultures which she thoroughly enjoyed. Besides traveling, her biggest passions in life were volleyball (especially beach volleyball), any beach itself, and anything to do with Santa Clara University. As a past president of the alumni association, she stayed involved with the university working on different events. Michelle is survived by her mother, Marlene Mullin; sister, Denise Lysaght (Tom), nephew Michael Lysaght (Colin) and niece Jennifer Lysaght. Donations may be made to: Arthur & Gertrude Liebscher Memorial Scholarship, Fr. Richard Coz, S.J. Endowed Scholarship, SCU Alumni Association (all 3 may be sent to SCU at 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95053), American Liver Foundation www.liverfoundation.org or the National Kidney Foundation.

Richard J. Collins, 73, worked as a tech writer at Tandem and HP, and passed away in Redding, California October 20. Guest book: http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=RICHARD-COLLINS&lc=2482&pid=176185069&mid=6643461.

HPREC Member Frank T. Musso, 82, a resident of Los Altos, passed away peacefully on October 17. He was born in San Jose, California and raised in the Valley of Hearts Delight (now known as Silicon Valley). His parents had fruit orchards in Santa Clara where he learned how to pick, cut, dry and prune at an early age. Frank graduated from Bellarmine College Preparatory and San Jose State University. After college he went to work at the corporate offices of Del Monte Foods in San Francisco, somewhat following in his parents footsteps who also had worked at the Del Monte cannery in San Jose.

Frank switched jobs and went to work at Hewlett-Packard for 25 years before retiring in 1991. Frank was an active member of St. William Parish and also enjoyed playing golf. But, his true passions were gardening and cooking. He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Connie; daughters Nikki Musso, Carrie Musso, Christina Molina (Ed); son, Peter Musso (Stella) and 5 grandchildren. A Celebratory Mass was held in November at St. William Catholic Church in Los Altos. The family requests that donations may be made to: Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers: P.O. Box 302 Maryknoll, NY 10545-0302; 1-888-627-9566 or 914-941-7590 x2846; www.maryknollsociety.org or Salvation Army: 1-800-725-2769 or www.donate.salvationarmyusa.org. Connie Musso added this to his obituary. "Frank truly enjoyed his membership in HPREC, attending the various luncheons and picnic and seeing all his friends. He always made sure I added the events on the calendar so that he wouldn't miss them. View the online memorial for Frank T. Musso - at: http://www.losaltosonline.com/people/sections/obituaries/51437-frank-t-musso

Stanley Robert Smith, 85, was a resident of Palo Alto. Stanley passed away peacefully on October 17, 2015. He earned both a Bachelor of Science in Engineering (1951) and Masters of Electrical Engineering (1955) from UC Berkeley. He married in 1955 and moved to Palo Alto where he went on to earn an MBA from Stanford University (1957). He worked for Hewlett-Packard for 30 years. He is survived by his wife Lois Smith of Palo Alto and his three sons, Ronald, Richard and Robert and two granddaughters, Kyra and Annika. View the online memorial for Stanley Smith - at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=stanley-smith&pid=176241792&eid=sp-ommatch#sthash.JXYf6DDE.dpuf

HPREC Member **Janet M** (**Jan**) **Martinez**, was a resident of Lincoln, CA. Jan passed away on Friday, 10/23/15. She fought cancer for 3 1/2 years and Alzheimer's for 1 1/2 years. She was a brave lady and fought the good fight. She was very proud of her HP background and finished her 33 year tenure at Sr. Executive assistant to the CTO (Rich DeMilo), often filling in to help Carly Fiorina.

Donald William Baird, 93. Don or "Bill" to those who knew him, passed away due to complications from an auto accident while vacationing in Mammoth Lakes on September 16th. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Tina Baird, their four children and five grandchildren. He loved ice skating, tennis, and classic films. Bill served in the US Coast Guard during World War II, and graduated from University of Wisconsin with a BSEE, where he also met his wife. He served as an Electronics Engineering consultant to IBM, Hewlett-Packard and others. A Memorial was held November 8th, in Redwood City. See more at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary.aspx?n=donald-william-baird&pid=176394447&eid=sp ommatch#sthash.EDLb2Fk1.dpuf

Michael B. "Mike" Meyer, 72, was a resident of Mountain View. Michael B. Meyer lost his short battle with cancer on Oct. 18, 2015 in the comfort of his home. Michael was born in San Francisco. His family moved to Millbrae, where he attended grade school and graduated from Mills High School in 1961. He served in the United States Marine Corps from August, 1961 through June, 1966.Returning to the Bay Area, Mike went to work for Hewlett Packard/Agilent. He retired after 34 years, as a production manager. Mike was also active in the community. He enjoyed coaching youth sports teams. He especially enjoyed the years he spent with Sunnyvale Metro as a Board member and coach of girls' softball. In his retirement, he became involved with Peninsula Youth Theatre, where he spent many years as a set builder and Technical Director for their productions.

Mike is survived by his wife of 53 years, Judy; daughter, Kelly; grandson, Brett; sister, Maureen Wagoner and many nieces, nephews and cousins. A celebration of life was held in Los Altos, and donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project; American Cancer Society; or for the Mike Meyer Memorial Fund at Peninsula Youth Theatre, contact

<u>ewupyt@gmail.com</u>. For additional information, contact: www.spanglermortuary.com - See more at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=michael-b-meyer-mike&pid=176368278&eid=sp ommatch#sthash.qiZ299Nc.dpuf

David Ward Reynolds, 69, was a resident of San Jose. David passed away 1 Nov. 2015. His father preceded him in 1964, his mother in 1990, and his life partner Patricia Hannon in July 2015. David is survived by his sister Jane Reynolds Mayntz of Peoria, AZ, three step-children and three step-grandchildren, one nephew and two nieces, one grand-niece and three grand-nephews. A US Army veteran, David served in Korea during the Vietnam War. Retired from Hewlett-Packard, he collected depression-era glassware, made jewelry, grew cactus plants and was a member of MENSA. There was a Memorial service in December at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Sunnyvale. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society. - See more at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=david-ward-reynolds&pid=176471990&eid=sp_ommatch#sthash.yISy4EjD.dpuf

Robert D. Lewis, 78, was a resident of Sunnyvale, Jan. 24, 1937 - Nov. 8, 2015. Bob Lewis passed peacefully on November 8th. A lifelong resident of the Santa Clara Valley, he was born at home on the Lewis Ranch in Mountain View. Bob was a graduate of the original Mountain View High School, and worked at Hewlett-Packard for 31 years. He was an avid sailor, and enjoyed many wonderful days on the San Francisco Bay. He and his wife Donna were founding and lifelong members of St. Cyprian's Parish in Sunnyvale. Bob is survived by his wife Donna of 60 years, Children: Vickie Monte (Joe), Christopher (Aggie), and Eric, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Services were held at St. Cyprian's Church,Sunnyvale. See more at: http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/mercurynews/obituary.aspx?n=robert-d-lewis&pid=176486932&fhid=20272&eid=sp_ommatch#sthash.b3rlzW53.dpuf

HPREC Member Mary Pappadakis Hohn, was a resident of Wenatchee, WA. Mary passed away Sunday, August 16, 2015. She was the daughter of Helen and Nicolas Pappadakis. Mary was born in Binghamton, NY, the middle child between Kitty, the eldest, and Tony. Growing up in Binghamton was a challenge, as Mary worked long hours in her father's restaurants. She graduated from High School there, and attended Syracuse University, where she met her husband, Tom. After her first year at Syracuse, she and Tom eloped, and moved to California. Mary took a job with Hewlett-Packard in California as payroll supervisor; a position she held for 25 years. Mary thoroughly enjoyed working at HP. After retiring, Mary and Tom moved to Wenatchee, where Mary was very much involved in the community, through PEO, St. Anne's, St. James, and charities, such as Meals on Wheels. A Memorial Service was held at St. James in Cashmere, WA in honor of Mary.

Jack Melchor, 90, was a resident of Los Altos Hills. Jack, who was a key figure in the early days of Silicon Valley and a benefactor of El Camino Hospital, died September 5 at his Los Altos Hills home, surrounded by family. Mr. Melchor was 90. Mr. Melchor and his late wife, Norma, were staunch supporters of the hospital, donating millions of dollars to its operations over more than 50 years. Mrs. Melchor, who died in 2012, served on the hospital board for 16 years. El Camino's Melchor Pavilion, built on land donated by the Melchors, is named in recognition of their contributions.

Mr. Melchor, a native of Mooresville, N.C., was an early high-tech innovator, entrepreneur and venture capitalist. The founder of Melabs and Hewlett-Packard Associates, he pioneered the development of LEDs and microwave technologies. As a venture capitalist, he invested in 3Com Corp., Triad Systems Corp. and Rolm Corp. Mr. Melchor and his wife were named the Town Crier's "Los Altans of the Year" for 2007. In the Jan. 2, 2008, Los Altans of the Year story, Bill Krause, founder of 3Com, described Mr. Melchor as "the quintessential hard-headed businessman but a soft-hearted people person." "Generous, smart and fun, loving and devoted to each other, Jack and Norma Melchor were truly Mr. and Mrs. El Camino," said El Camino CEO Tomi Ryba. "We remember Jack with love, gratitude and admiration."

When Mrs. Melchor died, Mr. Melchor and his family chose to honor her memory by committing several million dollars to further support the Heart & Vascular Institute, renamed in her honor. That donation remains the largest cumulative gift from a single philanthropic source in the foundation's history. Today, the family legacy continues with their grandson Lane Melchor serving on the El Camino Hospital Foundation Board of Directors.

Mr. Melchor's wife Norma and daughter Karen preceded him in death. He is survived by his two sons, Gregory and Jeffrey; daughter Kay; seven grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. The family requested that donations in Mr. Melchor's memory be sent to the El Camino Hospital Foundation, 2400 Grant Road, No. 116, Mountain View 94040. http://www.losaltosonline.com/people/sections/obituaries/51121-

Ron Gedris, 72, a resident of San Jose CA. From 1978-1989, Ron worked at the Cupertino CA site for Data Systems Division in Human Resources as a Communication Specialist. It was here he met many of his lifelong friends. He will be deeply missed. Ron's Memorial was held in November at Westgate Church, San Jose.

HPREC Member Rich Alan Pahler – 71, a resident of Rocklin passed away November 16th. Rich worked at HP from 1965 to 1999. Most of his career was at the Manufacturing Cable Division in Palo Alto. He worked for the cable facility for 30 years, including 22 years as the production supervisor. Rich was instrumental in producing the power cord for one of the first HP calculators. He assisted in providing all medical cables to our HP medical division in Massachusetts and the Walter Reed Hospital. He loved playing golf with his co-workers and friends. Rich loved working for HP and always felt fortunate that he worked there when the HP way was real and everyone helped each other be successful. After the PAFC division was sold, he transferred to Santa Rosa and finished his career at HP as the plating supervisor. He retired to Rocklin Ca. where he lived for 17 years. He is survived by his wife Karen Pahler (31 years at HP), son Kevin Pahler (Diana), Daughter in- law Tina Pahler, stepsons Brian Ventura and Mark Ventura (Cara). He will be missed by many.

To place a notice or provide information about HP/Agilent/Keysight retirees that you know, please email Bernard Bruand, at **ba.sympathy@hpretirees.org** or refer to the HPREC Membership Directory for his phone number or mailing address.