

HPREC NEWS

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HPREC President's Message *By Bernard Bruand*

Thanks to all the members who have already renewed their membership in HPREC. We have seen some improvement with online renewals, but not as much as we would have liked. Online renewal and payment is less labor intensive than the paper renewal and payment for our volunteers. Please let me know if you have any ideas on how we can improve online usage in our Club which should have a computer in its DNA.



Nominations: Please read the article from Oscar introducing the two new Board members: **Paul Hsia** and **Nadine Melanson**, who were overwhelmingly elected. They will both bring a lot of expertise and competencies to the Board. I hope it will encourage more candidates to apply or to volunteer with the Club next year, as we always need help on the Board or as volunteer in the Club.

After the nominating season, we had a volunteer for our Treasurer role to replace Gordon Mullin, who's been faithfully performing these duties for nine years. **Dennis Leitterman** has accepted our request to assume this role beginning November 1, and we welcome him enthusiastically. And again, THANKS Gordon!

Holiday Luncheon: Monday, December 4, is the date for this year's Holiday Luncheon at David's Restaurant, same location as the last few years. Looking forward to seeing you there **and don't hesitate to bring guests**, as the more the merrier. See flyer in this issue. \$35 if sign up/pay by November 18 or \$40 between Nov. 19-24.

HPREC Website "Members Only" Sections: We have decided that some information on our website should be reserved for current dues-paying members only, such as newsletters, current events, discounts and dental plan. By April, 2018, we will implement password protected Member Only sections. We will keep general Club information, Join the Club, and Club marketing information available for anyone to access. Once implemented, the password will be communicated by email, so please make sure we have your current email on file.

Delta Dental plan: Mona Foley has indicated that she is not able to continue as the Delta Dental plan liaison. Since I was already involved as the PPO plan liaison, I will take over the HMO plan as well. New PPO rates for 2018 have been posted on our website under Dental Plan; also read the article on [page 9](#).

For any plan questions, contact Delta Dental directly as indicated on our website. If you have problems getting answers from them or have HPREC specific questions, then contact me at: ba.dentalplan@hpretirees.org.

The PPO and HMO plans are **reserved for active HPREC members and their eligible family members**. A letter has been sent to enrollees who were found not to be active HPREC members/eligible family members in 2017, reinforcing the need to be so. We will be regularly monitoring Club membership and plan participation going forward.

Looking forward to meeting many of you during the Holiday Luncheon. In the meantime, enjoy the fall season.

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

Calendar of Events

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.

Type	Date and Time	Description and Location	Sign Up Deadline
Bowl \$	Nov. 13, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 20
Hike	Nov. 14, 10 am – 2 pm	Wunderlich County Park	See Sep'17 issue
Volunteer	Nov. 28, 9:30 am – 1 pm	St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room	See Sep'17 issue
Luncheon \$	Nov. 28, 11:30 am – 1 pm	Drop-in Lunch	See Page 14
Holiday Luncheon \$	Dec. 4, 11 am – 2 pm	Holiday Luncheon David's Banquet Center	See Page 15
Trip \$	Dec. 6, 3:30 pm – 10:30 pm	Christmas Train of Lights	See Page 16
Volunteer	Dec. 6, 1 pm – 4 pm	RAFT	See Page 13
Bowl \$	Dec. 11, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 20
Hike	Dec. 12, 10 am – 2 pm	Mount Umunhum	See Page 21
Trip \$	Dec. 13, 5:30 pm – 11:30 pm	Aladdin Broadway Musical	See Page 17
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Bowl \$	Jan. 8, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 20
Hike	Jan. 9, 10 am – 2 pm	Sawyer Camp Trail	See Page 22
Hike	Jan. 17, 10 am – 2 pm	Vasona Lake to Los Gatos Lite Hike	See Page 22
Volunteer	Jan. 22, 11 am – 2 pm	Sunnyvale Community Services	See Page 13
Bowl \$	Feb. 12, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 20
Trip \$	Feb. 21, 8 am – 4:30 pm	Monterey Movie Tour	See Page 18
Spring Fling \$	Mar. 14 – <i>Save the date</i>	Mariani's Restaurant	See Page 20
Trip \$	Sep. 5	Waterways Cruise Chicago to New York City	See Page 19

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

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Membership Report *By Oscar Lombardi, Membership Chairperson*



Hello everyone and welcome to the November edition of the HPREC Membership update.
The HPREC Club membership stands at 990.

Welcome New Members! I would like to extend a warm welcome to our **NEW** members who joined our Club during the August - September 2017 timeframe: **Mark Makoto Taguma, Allen Olston, W. Kevin Wilkinson, Theodore (Ted) Kamins, Stephen Ho and Lynne Sutter Baldwin.** Rejoined: **Richard (Rick) Steingart.** *Welcome aboard and thank you for joining HPREC!*

Membership Renewal: I would like to thank all of you who have renewed your Club membership. At the time of this publication, a large number of you have used the **ONLINE RENEWAL** method, thank you! This makes the processing of information more effective and keeps the Club's costs down.

If you have not yet renewed, please do so as soon as possible. At the end of this month, we will be sending membership renewal reminders, and we would like to keep these to a minimum.

Help Us Increase Membership! Please remember that the Club is as strong as its membership, so we continue to encourage all of you to think of friends and/or ex-colleagues who worked at least 10 years at one of the companies (HPI, HPE, Agilent, or Keysight) that form our Club but are not yet members of HPREC. If someone worked for an acquired company and was granted service time with one of the four companies listed and is not sure if they qualify, ask us. A positive word from you on the benefits of being a member may just be what is needed to convince them to join. As usual, here are some tips and an incentive to help you with the task. Thank You!!!

- To aid you in your 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 HPI, HPE, Agilent or Keysight retiree friends (remind them they only need 10 years of service and do not need to be receiving retiree benefits from their former company). 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.

- **You can win a Gift Certificate!** To encourage your participation, HPREC is offering **TWO \$50.00 GIFT CERTIFICATES** to be awarded at the HPREC Holiday Luncheon which will take place in **December 4, 2018**. Here's how you qualify for the drawing. For every person you encourage to join HPREC (with dues paid), your name will automatically be put in the pool drawing. 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, 2017 through October 31, 2018 (our fiscal year) are eligible. New members should enter your name on their online enrollment form 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 for members of the Club's Board). If you have questions or comments, please send an email to me, Oscar Lombardi at ba.membershipchair@hpretirees.org.

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

HPREC Board of Directors – New Members *By Oscar Lombardi – Nominations Chair*

I am delighted to inform you that **Nadine Melanson** and **Paul Hsia** are confirmed to the HPREC Board of Directors starting on Nov 1, 2017.

Nadine brings long-term experience in both HP and Agilent (38 years), having worked in a variety of roles in HR as well as Global Acquisitions and Divestitures. We are looking forward to having her extensive experience applied in leading the HPREC Communications Committee, as well as enhancing our connection to Agilent and Keysight. Many members of Nadine's family have also worked at both HP and Agilent (her husband is still at Agilent).



Paul Hsia, who worked exclusively for HP during his 27 years with the company, brings a wealth of experience in the technical and operations management activities. We have been fortunate to have Paul volunteer for the last 10 months working alongside Paula Hoelker-williams in the preparation and distribution of the Club's Directory. Paul has now assumed full responsibility for this Club activity.

On behalf of the HPREC Board of Directors, I would like to thank all of you who voted; a substantial number of votes were received via the new ONLINE voting method, something that we very much appreciate and will continue to promote in the future.

LATE BREAKING NEWS: After the ballots were sent out, we secured a replacement for our long-time Treasurer, **Gordon Mullin** who's been asking to "retire" for over a year. **Dennis Leitterman** accepted our request and has agreed to take on this role for HPREC. We welcome him enthusiastically to the Board, effective November 1, 2017. Last count – three new Board members!

We would also like to announce that **Oscar Lombardi** (Membership and Nominations) has been reconfirmed by the HPREC Board, effective November 1, 2017, and will be serving for three more years.

For those of you who enjoy numbers: At the time of creation of this article, we received:

- 464 Ballots from 47% of our total membership of 990 members. A slightly higher percentage than in 2016.
- 56% of ballots through the online method, and 44% through paper ballots.

Our sincere appreciation for your support!

Volunteer Recognition *By Oscar Lombardi, Board member*

Dear fellow HPREC Club members,

It gives me great pleasure to write about our volunteers; I feel that we are bringing you a little bit of our company's history while, at the same time, honoring Bill and Dave's strong support and recognition of the contribution that each and every member of the team has made to our customers, the company and all employees alike.



In this publication, we feature **Marialis Seehorn**. Marialis joined HP in October 1968 and retired at the end of 1999. I received an extra challenge in writing this article, since when I approached Marialis about her life, she replied, *"Oscar, you must be joking! I've had such an ordinary life, I doubt anyone would be interested."*

After majoring in Victorian prose and minoring in history in college, Marialis was recruited by the Central Intelligence Agency to work as an analyst, perhaps a facet of the CIA unknown to most of us... After three years of loving Washington but strongly opposing the Vietnam War (joining public demonstrations tended to jeopardize one's employment status), Marialis moved back to New York and worked for a large Wall Street accounting firm, doing industry research. In 1968, following a horrendous winter of above-the-hubcaps snow, ice and interminable frozen hands and feet, Marialis packed up her VW bug and drove to California hoping to be able to enjoy more of her first love -- golf!!

HP hired Marialis as an admin in Corporate Training, which at the time consisted of two people. Part of the job was to handle security duties, such as filing classified info and fingerprinting folks (one special customer was Dave Packard before leaving to become the Deputy Secretary of Defense); she also ran the twilight golf tournaments. Marialis' first week at HP was an abrupt entry into the HP Way with a series of culture shocks. Coming from a world of three-piece suits and formal business wear, her mouth dropped daily watching the tie-dyed, ragged blue jean attire of the engineers and the casual shirt sleeved executives. Then in 1972, Marialis followed her husband to Boeblingen, Germany, where they remained until 1974. Marialis' husband's job was to promote the use of videotaped product training throughout Europe, while Marialis worked on manufacturing specs during the day and taught "conversational American" after work to employees. During weekends and holidays, Marialis and her husband enjoyed trips throughout Europe, England, Scotland, and Greece - playing golf as often as possible!

Upon returning from Europe, Marialis worked on her MBA while working at various HP divisions (Cupertino, Sunnyvale and Santa Clara), designing training and teaching office, presentation, career and training skills. Marialis' last job in Cupertino was supervising a contract call center team in Plano, TX. Marialis also conducted some part-time consulting and training workshops on local junior college campuses.

Following retirement, Marialis volunteered on a part-time basis at the Executive Call Center making sure she had enough time for her golf game, which was a lot more fun and certainly less stressful!

In the mid-2000s, Pat Capshaw approached Marialis for volunteering on the HPREC Board where she served for three years taking over the Volunteer Committee, now managed by John McCabe. For the past few years, Marialis has been the official "proofreader" for the HPREC newsletter as well as joining in some HPREC sponsored volunteer events.

What makes Marialis volunteer? Giving back to your community is something that she learned early on from her parents, who practiced what they preached, plus something she also found as part of HP's goals when she joined the company. While employed, Marialis spent some evenings working within the STAR group homes and afternoons at Hyde Middle School helping students with their schoolwork, represented HP with the Career Action Center and presented training career workshops for them. In retirement, Marialis volunteered as a court-appointed Child Advocate for two teenage girls and their families and tutored students in reading/writing skills in East Palo Alto and now in Sunnyvale. Unfortunately, some health issues have now restricted her mobility (no more golf) and subsequent volunteering.

Volunteer Recognition *(continued...)*

Marialis' personal interests? She loves firing off letters to the editor of the *SJ Mercury News*, coaxing blooms from her roses, having lively book club discussions, attending womens' basketball games -- GO STANFORD! -- and playing bridge. To stay young, Marialis just traded in her 14-year-old sports car and bought another!

Thank you Marialis for sharing your "ordinary" life with us, and we'd especially like to thank you for all you have done and continue to do for the members of HPREC.

Help Wanted! A Few Opportunities Still Open in HPREC!! *By John McGowan*



We are delighted to have **Dennis Leitnerman** step forward and take on the role of Treasurer for the Club. THANK YOU, Dennis!! We still have openings and need some additional help, however.

The **Tech Team** could really use some help from anyone who could assist with some development as we work to upgrade our website and our ability to process membership info and payments online. Tasks could include:

- Maintaining our email application.
- Creating online registration forms.
- Back up Club's webmaster when needed.
- Attend monthly Tech Team meetings (except July and December) on the fourth Wednesday from 11am-1pm in Los Altos.

Having one or more of these skills would be helpful:

- Visual Basic and/or Visual Basic for Applications (VBA)
- Microsoft Office skills: Word Mail Merge, Excel worksheets, Access
- PayPal online payment services
- Web pages/forms creation, modification
- phpList and cPanel experience, management of email and forwarders
- Web software management

Join a friendly and supportive group of six people (check in front pages of Member Directory for current members of the team). Try us out and see if it's a good fit! You can put as much/little time in as you have to give.

If this type of work doesn't interest you, you are encouraged to contact one of the Board members to learn where else you can help. The Board understands that many of our retiree members are still working, often as volunteers or caregivers or as part-time employees and consultants, but the Club could really use some additional help.

HP has asked that we share this information with the HP retiree community.

Thanks for your support and concern for HP employees who were impacted by recent natural disasters.

HP is pleased to confirm that all employees in Puerto Rico have been accounted for and are safe.

Our local offices in Aguadilla remain open, and we are doing all we can to assist employees in need. An HP shuttle service is now transporting employees from their homes to the site where they can take advantage of onsite childcare, counselling services, and free daily breakfast and lunch. Coca Cola is filling the water tank up weekly with potable water, which is being distributed to employees.

Data connectivity is still very limited at the site, with the majority of the bandwidth being used for site operations - very few employees have access to internet/email. The Global Security team is looking at alternate options to get additional bandwidth to the site. We've also been able to secure priority gas, so employees don't have to wait in line at gas stations.

Many of you have asked how we are supporting employees affected by the storm. All HP employees in Puerto Rico who were impacted by Hurricane Maria are eligible to apply for personal grants from the HP Employee Relief Fund (ERF). This fund was created when we established HP Inc., and it aims to help employees in need of financial assistance due to a disaster or personal hardship.

The ERF relies primarily on individual donations. Every contribution helps and when combined with the donations of others, can provide a tax-free grant to help an HP employee facing the unexpected.

If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the HP Employee Relief Fund, you can do so online using a credit card or PayPal by going to <https://emergencyassistancefdn.org/hp-employee-relief-fund-donation/>. If you would like to mail a check, please make your check out to: Emergency Assistance Foundation, Inc. with "For: HP Employee Relief Fund" in the memo or the cover letter and mail to 3713 Pine St., Jacksonville, FL 32205.

We will continue to provide updates on the relief efforts on HP Continuum to keep everyone informed.

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

Hewlett-Packard Enterprise Announces It Is Leaving Palo Alto

BREAKING NEWS: HPE is moving but will stay in Silicon Valley, the company said Thursday.

Hewlett-Packard Enterprise (HPE) announced November 2, it is leaving Palo Alto to set up shop in another Silicon Valley city. The company says its new corporate headquarters will be at its state-of-the-art HPE Aruba offices in Santa Clara.

HPE plans to "consolidate its Silicon Valley real estate" by selling its Palo Alto building. In addition to HPE's global headquarters in Santa Clara, employees will also be relocated to other newer, nearby sites in San Jose and Milpitas, the company said in a news release Thursday.

In partnership with Palo Alto-based Hewlett-Packard (HP Inc.), HPE says it will continue to jointly support the Founder's Office of Bill Hewlett and Dave Packard, as well as the nearby [Hewlett-Packard Garage in Palo Alto](#), where Hewlett-Packard was founded.

Sonoma and Napa Counties Firestorm *By John McGowan*

The Sonoma and Napa County areas north of San Francisco were severely impacted earlier in October by a massive firestorm that swept through the area in several different massive fires. The fires started in the middle of the night, were fanned by winds approaching hurricane levels of 60+ miles per hour, and forced thousands of residents to flee with absolutely no notice or time to gather belongings. Altogether, the fires burned more than 180,000 acres, destroyed more than 3,000 homes and buildings, and killed more than 50 people. Many were elderly and were unable to drive or react quickly enough to escape.



From the perspective of HPREC and our members, the fire swept across the Fountain Grove district north of Santa Rosa, and destroyed the Round Barn, the Hilton Hotel and Fountain Grove Inn, and many of the homes and businesses off Fountain Grove Boulevard. At the top of the hill, the Keysight Headquarters suffered damage to several buildings, plus water damage inside when sprinkler systems activated. A total of 130 employees and retirees lost their homes during the first several days of the fire, and many more were evacuated.

Here is a portion of an article written by the Associated Press:

California's deadly wildfires destroyed much of an archive from tech pioneers William Hewlett and David Packard, such as a decades-old memo in which Hewlett proposes designing a calculator that can fit in his pocket, authorities involved with the archives say. The more than 100 boxes of letters and other materials from the early days of Hewlett-Packard, now called HP, were stored in two modular buildings at the Santa Rosa offices of Keysight Technologies, an electronics measurement company that acquired the historical trove through a series of spinoffs, the Santa Rosa Press Democrat reported.

The destroyed archives had been valued at nearly \$2 million in 2005. Former HP staff archivist Karen Lewis called the collection irreplaceable. When Lewis first began assembling the materials in the 1980s, "I realized, 'Oh, my God, this is the history of Silicon Valley ... This is the history of the electronics industry.'"

Lewis said the destroyed documents include the memo from Hewlett to engineers that led to the company's HP-35 pocket calculator, in 1972. Another memo proposed an open-office floor plan, now a staple of valley companies, the San Francisco Chronicle said.

Lewis faulted the recent handling of the archives, saying previous owners had stored the collections in vaults within permanent facilities, safeguarded by foam fire retardant. "This could easily have been prevented, and it's a huge loss," Lewis said.

(This complete article can be found at: <https://goo.gl/9YK5is>)

While Ron Nersesian and Keysight have been doing their best to provide temporary offices and financial help for those impacted, a separate dedicated website has been set up to collect funds for the impacted families at Keysight. The usual Red Cross and Salvation Army donation programs are active as well. Anyone wishing to help directly can access the following URL to donate specifically to Keysight families:

<http://edadocs.software.keysight.com/display/KDRC/Keysight+Disaster+Relief+Center+Home>

or: <https://goo.gl/iBVPvp>

Delta Dental Update *By Bernard Bruand, Acting HPREC Delta Dental Liaison*

HPREC will again offer two Delta Dental plans for 2018: an HMO plan and a PPO plan. You must be an active HPREC member and reside in California to enroll in these Delta Dental plans.

HMO Plan: The two-year quarterly rates set last year remain in effect through December 31, 2018:

HMO	2017 – 2018 Quarterly Rates
Enrollee	\$97.20
Enrollee + 1 dependent	\$153.52
Enrollee + 2 or more dependents	\$220.87



You may enroll in the HMO plan at any time. Delta Dental usually takes about a month to process your enrollment, and you should receive your membership card by the first of the FOLLOWING month. Your dentist's office will be notified of your enrollment during this period.

PPO Plan: Quarterly rates are good for 2018 only, effective January 1 - December 31, 2018:



PPO	2018 Quarterly Rates
Enrollee	\$202.75
Enrollee + 1 dependent	\$375.77
Family	\$625.86

With the PPO plan, you may see any licensed provider; however, you may attain a lower out-of-pocket cost by seeking services with a PPO Delta Dental provider.

- Example 1- Diagnostic and Preventive care: if done by a PPO Delta Dental dentist, covered at 100%. If done by a non-PPO Delta Dental dentist, covered at 90% and enrollee pays the remaining 10%.

- Example 2 – Fillings: if done by a PPO Delta Dental dentist, covered at 80% and the enrollee pays the remaining 20%. If done by a non-PPO Delta Dental dentist, covered at 70% and enrollee pays the remaining 30%.

You may enroll or make plan changes during an Open Enrollment four-week window from **November 15 through December 15**, which will become effective on **January 1**. You must remain on the plan the entire year. If you want to change the plan, you will need to wait for the next open enrollment period or during a 30-day period of a qualifying event.

Refer to the Club's website, www.hpretirees.org/hprec, **Dental Plan** link for more details on these dental plans. Also, refer to the Dental Plan **PPO** web page, the **HOW TO ENROLL** section, for a temporary payment process while Delta Dental develops its direct payment capability.

LATEST - Updated info since last newsletter.

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

RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP - If you have not yet renewed your Club membership (either online in August or by sending a check in the mail), please respond to the mid-September mailing to your home and follow the instructions.

If you did not receive an email from HPREC on August 1, then we did not have a current email address for you.

We hope you provided or updated your email address during your renewal process. Read "**COMING SOON**" to see how important being up-to-date becomes.

COMING SOON

After the first of the year, we will be password protecting the online newsletter issue when posting to the website.

The Board has decided to make our Club's newsletter, as well as other selected links, available to dues-paying

MEMBERS ONLY to encourage ongoing membership. After careful consideration, we chose to follow the lead of the So. California's HP Retiree Club, who has been securing their newsletter for years.

We have not yet decided how frequently the password needs to change; we will keep it simple for you and for us. If you have any feedback, please let Bernard or me know.

NOTE: Whenever we change the password, it will be communicated in the email blast sent to all members who have chosen to receive a message from CarolsCorner@hpretirees.org every time an issue is posted. **If you currently receive these emails, you do not need to read further.**

If you DO NOT receive these emails near the beginning of every ODD month, go to the website above, find **Member Info Updates** on the left navigation bar, log in (see **Passwords** on [page 11](#)), click on **Email/Newsletter Notification Preferences (Member Options)**, fill in your email address (twice), then DO NOT check either box. If you had previously chosen the first box "Do not send an email notification when a new issue...", now by **not** selecting this box, it will reset your database record to begin receiving the email six times a year. Need help? Try updating first, then let me know.

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 below for info.*

You can also access this website from the Club's home page (under Discounts/Benefits).

Discounted tickets available online:

➤ **SHN Orpheum Theatre**

- Disney Aladdin – Nov 1, 2017 – Jan 7, 2018
- The Book of Mormon – Feb 6 – Mar 4, 2018

➤ **Broadway San Jose**

- Down the Rabbit Hole – Nov 11
- Beautiful – Nov 17
- Rent – Jan 26, 2018
- The King and I – Feb 23, 2018

➤ **SAP Center**

- 2018 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships - Dec 29, 2017 - Jan 8, 2018

➤ **Great America, California Academy of Sciences, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Roaring Camp, LegoLand, SF Symphony, Universal Studios Hollywood, Winchester Mystery House** (discount codes on above website)

passportcorporate.com/Info/HPLanding

- **Passport Unlimited (dining discount card)** –When you go to the website, you must click on the HPE logo and, ignoring the box they want you to fill out which includes a work email, scroll to the bottom. On the bottom-right, you can click on "Request a card" line, then enter the HP Retiree Code (see below) and just follow instructions to order. If you start by clicking the HPI logo the "Request a card" line does not show up.

BASICS – *BASIC information about the HP-related websites can always be found 1) in the front pages of your annual Member Directory or 2) on the Club's website, under **Web Introduction**. It is not repeated in the newsletter.*

www.hp.com/retiree - (Maintained by HP Inc for all legacy company retirees)

www.hpcontinuum.com - (Maintained by HP Inc for HPI designated retirees)

www.hpalumni.org - HP Alumni Association (An independent member-supported association of former HP, HP Inc, and HPE employees -- and current employees in the process of leaving. Operated by volunteers. Not officially endorsed or supported. Join private US Benefits, Transition, Finance, US JobPost, TechTalk forums at no charge.)

Info below() was copied from a recent HPAA newsletter:*

*The confusing term "Pre-2003 HP Medical Program" refers to the year in which Hewlett-Packard's US retiree medical program was redesigned -- not the year you retired. Regardless of when you retired, depending on your length of service and other factors, you may qualify for the US "Pre-2003" program. Details: www.hpalumni.org/Pre2003

*Which Company am I a former employee or retiree of? HPI, HPE or ? www.hpalumni.org/WhichCompany



Passwords are not shown in the online 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

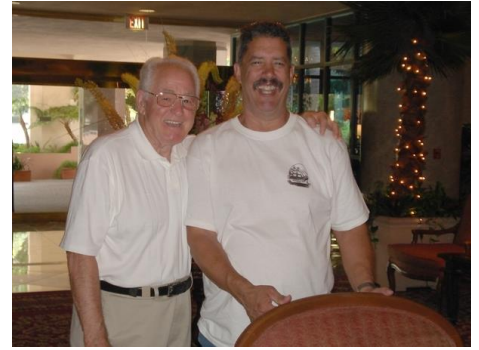
Program	URL	Username	Password
HPI (Discounts area, choose Retiree Discounts link)	<u>www.beneplace.com/hp_employee/</u>	<i>Current user names and passwords were included in the email you received announcing availability of this newsletter.</i>	
HP Continuum (News, Benefits, Contacts)	<u>www.hpcontinuum.com</u>		
Bay Area Employee Programs (Discounts)	<u>www.bayarea.hpway.org</u>		
HP Branded Merchandise	<u>www.hpstore.com</u> click on Partners		
Passport Unlimited (dining discounts)	<u>www.bayarea.hpway.org</u>		
Online HPREC Member Info Updates form (Password is case sensitive, includes hyphen)	<u>www.hpretirees.org/hprec/</u>		

Contact **Carol Nakamoto** at CarolsCorner@hpretirees.org or call me (phone number in annual member directory) if you need help with a website (except HPAA).

New Short Stories on the HPMemoryProject.org Website

Bill Hewlett and the HP Medical Plan ..Barry Fowler

Barry tells the story about a premature baby which might have led to Hewlett-Packard's enlightened medical plan for employees. His source was a story published at Hewlett's death. Early employees were told that HP's comprehensive benefit of medical coverage was triggered by an event that Bill Hewlett experienced when one HP family, faced an enormous hospital bill for treatment of their premature 1.5-pound baby. This is probably that case. When Joe went to pay his six-month hospital bill, he was told that it had been paid anonymously. He was told years later that the payer was Bill Hewlett.



Joe and John Navarro

hpmemoryproject.org/timeline/stories/Bill&DaveStory170812.pdf

Metal Finisher for the Bufano Quail Awards ..Duane Bowman

Here is another story confirming the Manufacturing Division Quail Award saga, which was published in the Betty Haines HP memoir. Duane read about the background for getting HP's aluminum foundry to cast this well-known piece of artwork. Someone first obtained the permission of the sculptor, Benny Bufano of San Francisco. Duane's father was a metal finisher down in the shops, and related his view of the story to his boy, as he did some of the polishing work at home. Duane helped with some polishing.



hpmemoryproject.org/timeline/writings/Bowman170812.pdf

The Hewlett Packard Geiger Counter ..by Earle Rother, Jr.

The author is the son of HP's first paymaster, Earle Rother. In the post-WWII period, HP was struggling to deal with some excess personnel, caused by the cutback in military-related business. The organization was thin, no formal org charts, finance work was handled by just a small group, including Earle and Frank Cavier.

Earle Jr. was intrigued when browsing this website, and seeing the innovation culture of 1950s HP. He was especially interested in an artifact sitting under the workbench in his garage, left over from his father's HP career. It was a Geiger counter, a product well known to US citizens as the atomic age dawned on us after the Pacific Ocean test at Bikini. Nuclear science was now moving into civilian applications at the same time the Pentagon was racing ahead with hydrogen bombs and more efficient fission bombs. After building a prototype, it appears the project was abandoned, and Rother took it home.



The prototype HP Geiger counter, circa 1950

www.hpmemoryproject.org/timeline/company/writings_home.htm

HPARV “Done in a Day” Volunteer Opportunities

Join your fellow HP/Agilent/Keysight retirees at the following events:



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. 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. They provide creative hands-on activity kits, educational resources, workshops and inexpensive materials to enrich pre-K through 12th-grade education and community group programs. RAFT's products, services and low-cost teaching supplies enrich and improve the education of over 600,000 young people in the bay area each year.

Volunteering at RAFT is fun, easy and convenient. Volunteers help keep the cost of RAFT products affordable for educators by sorting the different raw materials that are donated and packaging RAFT hands-on learning activity kits. Casual dress and closed-toe shoes are recommended. Work is generally clean and low-impact.

Date & Time: **Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 1 pm – 4 pm**

Place: RAFT Volunteer & Processing Center
1160 Kern Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94085

Directions and more information: www.raftbayarea.org/location-sobrato-center

RSVP **hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com** or call **John McCabe** at 650-328-3472
by November 29, 2017.



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. You can help.

Date & Time: **Monday, January 22, 2018, 11 am - 2 pm**

Place: Sunnyvale Community Services 725 Kifer Rd., 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.

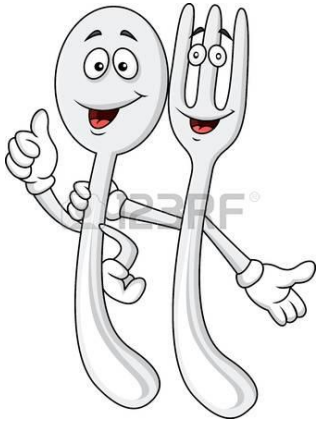
Sunnyvale Community Services will be in .01 of a mile on your right.

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

RSVP **hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com** or call **John McCabe** at 650-328-3472
by January 12, 2018.

More information: svcommunityservices.org

Drop-In Lunch



Join other HPREC members for a monthly drop-in lunch at Jake's of Saratoga, 12175 Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd., Saratoga on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 11:30 am. Anyone is welcome at this NO HOST lunch.

Additional Dates

December 26, 2017

January 23, 2018

No reservations needed.

Suggestions for future venues appreciated.

*Directions: Take Highway 280 to De Anza Boulevard, turn south toward Steven's Creek Road, pass Prospect Road, turn right onto Oak Creek Lane. Jake's is at 12175 Saratoga-Sunnyvale R&D., Saratoga.





EVENT: CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ____persons(s) @ \$125 per person by Nov 15, 2017 = \$_____ Total
(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

PRINT NAMES:

Member Name _____ Phone () _____

Spouse/Guest Name: _____ Phone () _____

(Above, please *CIRCLE* if spouse or guest is a member?...YES...NO)

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Member

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Guest

Choice: ____Chicken Marsala; ____ Fresh Salmon; ____Roast Pork Tenderloin; ____Eggplant Parmesan

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

Email: _____

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Niles Canyon Railway
Christmas Train of Lights
December 6, 2017
\$125 (Limited to 30 people)

Enjoy an hour-long round trip through Niles Canyon filled with Christmas cheer, snacks, music and holiday lights with decorations inside and out aboard the First-Class Parlor Car. The

Southern Pacific 10040 Dining Car features some of the best seats on the train, with the original Cuban mahogany interior.



Dinner after the train ride at Papillon. Dinner includes fresh greens salad, Peach Melba dessert and coffee, hot tea or iced tea. Choice of: Chicken Marsala; Fresh Salmon; Roast Pork Tenderloin; Eggplant Parmesan.

Bus leaves Cupertino at 3:30 pm and returns at 10:30 pm

Leader: Pat Fausett 650-941-7063 pat.fausett@gmail.com.

Please call during business hours 9 am–5 pm.



Broadway musical based
on the Disney movie
\$100 - limited to 44 people
December 13, 2017

When street rat Aladdin frees a genie from a lamp, he finds his wishes granted. However, he soon finds that the evil Sultan has other plans for the lamp -- and for Princess Jasmine. But can Aladdin save Princess Jasmine?

Seats are center orchestra at the Orpheum Theatre.

All tips are included in the price.

Reserve early, cut-off date November 27, 2017.



Leave Cupertino at 5:30 pm. Please arrive at bus pick-up by 5:15 pm; bus will leave promptly at 5:30 pm. Return about 11:30 pm (after the show).

Leader: Pat Fausett 650-224-9410 pat.fausett@gmail.com Please call during business hours 9 am–5 pm.

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EVENT: ALADDIN ____persons(s) @ \$100 per person by Nov. 27, 2017 = \$_____Total

(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

PRINT NAMES:

Member Name _____ Phone () _____

Spouse/Guest Name: _____ Phone () _____

(Above, please *CIRCLE* if spouse or guest is a member?...YES...NO)

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Member

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Guest

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

Email: _____



February 21, 2018

\$108.50

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 the 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 Shopping Mall, Cupertino at 4:30 pm

For additional information or questions, please contact Trip Leader during normal business hours of 9 am to 5 pm, Monday – Friday. Exceptions for emergencies only, please. Trip Leader: Don Higgins at 408-736-1918 or donald1090@comcast.net, or Pat Fausett 650-941-7063 or pat.fausett@sbcglobal.net

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EVENT: Monterey Movie Tour ____persons(s) @ \$108.50 per person by Feb 17, 2018= \$_____Total

(PLEASE WRITE ONE CHECK PER EVENT)

PRINT NAMES:

Member Name _____ Phone () _____

Spouse/Guest Name: _____ Phone () _____

(Above, please *CIRCLE* if spouse or guest is a member)...YES...NO)

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Member

Emergency Contact _____ Phone () _____ Guest

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

Email _____

Great American Waterways Cruise

Chicago to New York City

September 5, 2018

\$4999 – \$7599

The sixteen-day cruise begins in Chicago on Lake Michigan, stopping at Mackinac Island and continuing through Lake Huron, Welland Canal, Lake Erie and Lake Ontario to the Erie Canal, the Hudson River and ending in New York City.

Ports visited include Mackinac Island, MI; Wyandotte, MI -Henry Ford Museum; Cleveland, OH- Rock and Roll Hall of Fame; Buffalo, NY-Niagara Falls; West Point, NY; New York City, NY plus many more.



The 2018 itinerary and pricing has been announced. Prices starting at \$4999 for Category I room to \$7599 for Category IV room, plus port charges of \$295 and air fare.

The fare includes locally inspired cuisine, complimentary beer and wine with lunch and dinner, and a casual cruising experience with no more than 83 passengers.

A \$500 deposit will be required to reserve your room with final payment due 180 days before departure. **To make reservations contact Cathy Estill 503 465-9975 or 888 465-9975;**
cathy@travelbycathy.com.

See www.greatlakescruising.com for details about the full itinerary, ship configuration and individual cabin pricing.

HPREC Golf Outings *By John McGowan*

The golf program limped to a finish in 2017, with a cancellation in August, a single foursome playing at Spring Valley in September, and three threesomes rallying to close out the season at Sunnyvale Golf Course in October. After some discussion with the golfers who came out in October, a plan to terminate the golf program was put on hold, and we are planning to go forward into 2018 with the same model, even if we attract fewer than a dozen golfers.



As a reminder, we have dropped the “tournament” format, and no longer require or assign handicaps, and there are no prizes or pressure, so if you’d like to play a little more golf, please consider joining the “Third Thursday Golfers” with HPREC. Because our events don’t meet course requirements for “tournaments,” we can’t book and commit far in advance, so locations will continue to be selected and committed roughly two weeks ahead of each outing.

What won’t change is the schedule, which will remain the third Thursday of each month, from April through October. We won’t be doing signup sheets or flyers in the newsletter or website, but communicating with possible players via an email distribution list. You can add your name to the list and join the group by contacting me via email at: johnbmcg@aol.com or the phone number listed in the Member Directory.

Bowling for Fun! *By Bernard Bruand*

Come join us at Homestead Bowl at 20990 Homestead Road, Cupertino. It’s the second Monday of each month. Price is \$4/game (we bowl two games). Shoe rental is separate.



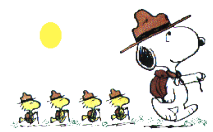
The next few bowling events are **Nov. 13, Dec. 11, Jan. 8, and Feb. 12** from **10:30 am - 12 pm**. If interested, please just come or contact Bernard Bruand at ba.president@hpretirees.org or find his phone number in the Club Directory.

Spring Fling Luncheon - Mark your Calendar! *By Carol Nakamoto, HP Liaison*

Mark your calendar for Wed, March 14, 2018 for our annual Spring Fling Luncheon, again at Mariani's Restaurant, Santa Clara.

Guest speaker is Mark Allen, Director, M&A Integration, Agilent Strategy and Corporate Development for Agilent. Details in the January newsletter issue.

Hikes in December 2017 & January 2018 *By John McCabe*



* **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 (leonaandjohn@att.net).

Note: There will be no Lite Hike on Wednesday, November 22 (the day before Thanksgiving).

Mount Umunhum



Tues. Dec. 12, 10 am



Tues. Dec. 19, 10 am



Free



Klaus Model
Cell 617-515-6895
or 408-354-7819



About 3.9 miles



Fairly strenuous



1,150 feet of drop at
approximately 10% grade



No



No



Bathrooms are located at Bald
Mountain trail head and at the
summit.



Water, sunscreen, a lunch,
hiking sticks, and \$3.00 to
reimburse the carpool drivers.

Meet at the Usual Carpool Location* Alternately: Meet at Mount Umunhum at the Bald Mountain parking lot at about 10:30 am.

Directions to the Mount Umunhum Bald Mountain parking lot:

- Exit Highway 85 at Camden Avenue. (From Southbound 85 turn left on Camden Avenue. From northbound 85 turn left on Branham Avenue, then left on Camden Avenue.)
- Travel on Camden Avenue about 1.6 miles.
- Turn right on Hicks Road. Travel on Hicks Road about 6.3 miles.
- Turn right on Mt. Umunhum Road. Travel on Mt. Umunhum Road for 1.4 miles.

We will all meet at the Bald Mountain parking lot. As that will be the downhill end of our hike, we will leave some cars there. The rest of the cars, with all the hikers, will be driven up to the Mount Umunhum Preserve parking lot at the top of Mount Umunhum (another 3.9 miles). After the hike, we will ferry enough drivers up to the top to pick up our cars that were driven there.

The Mount Umunhum Preserve parking lot will be on the left and stairs will lead visitors to the summit. ADA parking available.

Mount Umunhum is ONLY accessible via Hicks Road to Mt. Umunhum Road. Do not take any other route that may be recommended by online maps and/or your GPS device – these directions include roads that have locked gates

Place: Mount Umunhum, located within the 18,000-acre Sierra Azul Open Space Preserve in Santa Clara County, is one of the highest peaks in the Santa Cruz mountain range at 3,486 feet. From its spectacular summit, we will experience 360-degree views from the Pacific to the Sierra Nevada! Mount Umunhum was held sacred by the natives; it is now commemorated as a ceremonial site. During the Cold War, it was the site of a long range radar station that was part of the missile defense system. Mount Umunhum is finally open for the public. After walking around the trails at the top of Mount Umunhum, we will hike down the Mount Umunhum Trail to the Bald Mountain parking area, where we have some of our cars parked. We will then take some of the cars back to the starting point of our hike.

Note: There will be no Lite Hike on Wednesday, December 20.

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Hikes in December 2017 & January 2018 *(continued)*

North end of the Sawyer Camp Trail



Tues. Jan. 9, 10 am



Tues. Jan. 16, 10 am



Free



John McCabe 650-328-3472



About 6 ½ miles or 5 mi.
(See Alternates).



Easy to moderate



It does go down and up a bit of a grade.



No



Yes, via the Hillcrest trailhead.



Yes.



Water, sunscreen, a lunch, and \$3.00 to reimburse the carpool drivers.

Meet at the Usual Carpool Location* Parking is limited, so please use the Usual Carpool Location.

Alternate 1: 6 ½ mi. hike: Meet us at 10:30 at the Larkspur trailhead and hike the full 6 ½ mile hike. To reach the trailhead going north on 280:

- Take the Millbrae Avenue exit and continue straight on Skyline Boulevard (north).
- Go past Hillcrest to Larkspur Drive.
- Go left on Larkspur and park under highway I-280 at the trailhead.

Alternate 2: 5 mi. hike: Meet us at 10:45 at the Hillcrest trailhead and hike the 5 mile paved portion of the hike. Going north on 280:

- Take the Millbrae Avenue exit and continue straight on Skyline Boulevard (north).
- Go left at Hillcrest and park under highway I-280 at the trailhead.

Place: Sawyer Camp Trail is a great hike rain or shine. The first (and last) ¾ mile of the hike is on a gravel trail; it should be in good shape soon after the rain. The remaining 5 miles of the hike is on paved trails. We will start at the north end of the trail, walk down to the San Andreas Lake (and the fault line), go down a shady trail between the creek and a hillside of bay trees, and eat our lunch by the Jebson Laurel Tree.

Parking is limited, so please meet at the I-280 & Page Mill Park & Ride at 10 am to carpool.

Vasona Lake to Los Gatos and back



Wed. Jan. 17, 10 am



None, we go rain or shine unless it is pouring



Parking \$6



David Karwowski

408-265-6667

Phone Day of Hike

408-623-6632



About 2 ½ miles



Easy to moderate



Little elevation gain



Dogs on leash OK



Yes, and the trail is paved



Bathrooms at start/finish area



Bring water and sunscreen

Meet at Vasona Lake

Directions to meeting place: Meet at the Boat Center at Vasona Lake County Park, 333 Blossom Hill Rd, Los Gatos.

- Take CA-85 South and merge onto CA-17 South.
- Take the Lark Ave. exit (immediate first exit) and turn left.
- Go right on Los Gatos Blvd. and proceed to Blossom Hill Rd.
- Turn right onto Blossom Hill Rd., and the park entrance will be on the right. Park in the lot adjacent to the Boat Center.

Place: Our January Lite Hike route will take us on paved trails from Vasona Lake through Oak Meadow Park where we'll see the restored 117-year old carousel and Billy Jones Wildcat Railroad. We'll continue along the Los Gatos Creek trail to the charming town of Los Gatos before retracing our steps back to Vasona Lake.



HPARV Volunteer News

hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com

Reports

Nine Retiree Volunteers Impact the Lives of 4,800 Students at RAFT *By John McCabe*

Volunteering at RAFT is a whole lot of fun, and it really makes a difference. While catching up with our fellow HP, Agilent, Keysight, etc. retirees, this group helped make 600 kits that will assist teachers, nonprofits, and community groups by providing materials and ideas for day-to-day teaching and for supporting professional growth. In total, these kits will provide creative hands-on activity kits for 4,800 students!

Part of our team prepared a variety of materials for 300 Egg Drop Kits. The kits will allow 1,800 students to build a "vehicle" designed to prevent a dropped egg from breaking. When they use these kits, the students will discover that combining simple materials with a little creative thinking and teamwork will reveal many ways to solve this intriguing challenge!

Others of us worked on 300 Colors of Light Kits. We put diffraction gratings over holes, so that students can build spectroscopes that create a rainbow pattern (spectrum) by separating incoming light into its component colors. The kits will show 3,000 students that white light is actually a combination of different colors. The interesting patterns the spectroscopes display can be used to identify different sources of light. The students will then be able to experiment with a variety of colored filters and see how the images change. Very neat!



(L-R): John McCabe, Dawn Hooks, Marsha Lee, Veronica Zieminski, Mike Tada, Herb Knoesel, Wanda Lee, Cherie Baker, and Carol Arnett.

If you would like to join us at RAFT in December, please see the flyer on Page [13](#).

Hiking News *Compiled by Gary Ruppel*

Pescadero Marsh Natural Preserve Lite Hike *By John McCabe (Leader)*

Six HPREC hikers helped celebrate Marilyn Grattan's birthday at Pescadero Marsh Natural Preserve. The preserve is a popular spot for bird watchers and other naturalists. It is a refuge for blue herons, kites, deer, raccoons, foxes, and skunks. It has endangered frogs, snakes and turtles. We enjoyed a lovely overcast September day by the coast. The waves were crashing as we walked across the sand. We then headed inland along Pescadero Creek and saw a nice variety of flowers. The picture was taken near an amazing eucalyptus tree.



(L-R): Gary Ruppel, Marilyn Grattan, Gail Mantegani, Bernard Bruand, Eileen Ruppel, and John McCabe.

If you would like to take this hike yourself, park in the Pescadero State Beach parking lot. It is on Highway 1 just south of the bridge over the marsh (named Pescadero Creek on the highway sign). It is 15.5 miles south of Highway 92 from Half Moon Bay on Highway 1 or 4.6 miles south of Highway 84 on Highway 1 from San Gregorio. There is no fee for parking at the Pescadero Marsh Natural Preserve. From the parking lot, we walked along the side of the bridge, and then on the sand under the bridge to the start of the nature trail along the Pescadero Creek. After you hike, you will have burned off enough calories to have a piece of olallieberry pie with your lunch at Duarte's Tavern or a nice loaf of artichoke bread at the bakery in Pescadero.

San Francisco Presidio *By Chuck Sieloff & Gary Ruppel (Leaders) with photos by Eileen Ruppel*

On October 17, ten hikers gathered at the Officers' Club in the San Francisco Presidio to begin a five-mile hike. We had decided to postpone the scheduled hike for a week in hopes of less smoky air. This national park showcases natural



(L-R): Chuck Sieloff, Sara Roos, Artie Schleifer, Jim Holl, Janis Andrews, Bernard Bruand, Gary Ruppel, Dee Baily, and Eileen Ruppel.

beauty and historical significance. The Presidio has been in constant use (by Europeans) since it was established as a military post by Spain in 1776. It served as a major U.S. Army post from 1846 until 1994, when it became a national park managed by a private/public partnership between the National Park Service and the Presidio Trust.

At the Officers' Club, we picked up maps, brochures, and some interesting background information about the park and the art installations of the world-famous British sculptor/artist Andy Goldsworthy, who creates site-specific sculptural creations using natural materials from the local environment. We visited our first Goldsworthy piece (Earth Wall) in an enclosed patio area of the Officers' Club before heading out on the hiking trails.

After passing through the Main Post area, we hiked along the Presidio Promenade, enjoying beautiful views of the Bay and Crissy Field. We then hiked uphill to the National Cemetery Overlook, which features the Golden Gate Bridge in the background. Continuing on, we visited Goldsworthy's 100 foot tall Spire, which he created from the trunks of 37 large Monterey cypress trees that were unable to survive long-term in the Presidio's climate. We continued on to the Inspiration Point Overlook before heading downhill to a picnic area that was also the site of the original spring that provided fresh water year-round to the early inhabitants of the area.

Then it was back uphill to reach the final Goldsworthy installation called Wood Line. This serpentine line of eucalyptus branches stretches gracefully for more than 1200 feet along the forest floor, filling in a space that had been left when rows of Monterey Cypress trees had died away. The combination of scenic beauty, historic settings, impressive works of art, and unbeatable weather made for a delightful hiking experience.

Getting there: Take the 280N / 19th Avenue route to the City. Take Park Presidio Blvd coming out of Golden Gate Park toward the Presidio. A right on California or Lake, then a left onto Arguello will take you into the heart of the Presidio. Start at the Officers' Club to pick up maps. There are numerous hiking trails, ranging from easy to moderate to difficult. (Our route was a combination of moderate and difficult.)



Ulistac Natural Area, Guadalupe River Levee, and Lick Mill Park

By Jim Holl (Leader) with photos by Eileen Ruppel

We parked at 4750 Lick Mill Blvd which is Lick Mill Park. Note that Lick Mill Park has restrooms. The morning fog lifted and we had a nice sunny day for this Santa Clara hike. Our leader challenged us to figure the hidden purpose for Lick Mill Park. The answer is below. We started with a loop through Lick Mill Park which we noticed had a long straight section of grass.

We crossed Lick Mill Boulevard and used the Southern Entrance to reach the Ulistac Natural Area. We wound through the Bird & Butterfly Garden Area which features California native plants. Many of these plants have signs which give their names and where they are found. Our route continued north through the trees and then up the ramp to the Guadalupe River Levee. We walked south along the levee



(L-R): Eileen & Gary Ruppel, Jim Holl, and Artie Schleifer.

to the Fairway Glen Storm Pumping Station. We noticed that water was recently pumped through the levee to the river. The hidden use for the Lick Mill Park is to route the large pipes used by the pumping station to remove storm water from the neighborhoods that are below the levee.

We continued along the levee and then down another ramp to the Ulistac Natural Area. We made a second pass through the Bird & Butterfly area and then returned to our cars.

To enjoy this hike, you may approach from either I-237 or I-101. From I-237, take exit 7 for North First Street. Turn south onto North First Street. Turn right onto Vista Montana. Turn right onto West Tasman Drive. Turn left onto Lick Mill Blvd. Lick Mill Park will be on your right.

From I-101, take exit 393 for Great America Parkway. Turn north onto Great America Parkway. Turn right on Tasman Drive. Turn right onto Lick Mill Blvd. Lick Mill Park will be on your right.

Length: About 1 mile. Duration: One hour. Difficulty: Easy. Dogs on 6-foot leashes are allowed. The hike is wheelchair accessible.

Sympathy By Bernard Bruand



Summaries below are extracts from Obituaries; you can access full obituaries on the net using the links provided. We do not add content out of respect for families who have written the Obituaries.

Marjorie Soliman, Aug. 17, 1931 - Sept. 2, 2017, Resident of Palo Alto

Marjorie Louise Tiapon Soliman. Beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister and HP Retiree. Services were held in September.

She originally started at Paeco and continued to work for HP once they bought Paeco. She worked on the hill and on Park Blvd. in Palo Alto, on Ellis St. in Mountain View, several locations in Sunnyvale and the Cupertino site starting around 1958 until about 1996. Her final position was in HR.

Published in San Jose Mercury News/San Mateo County Times on Sept. 10, 2017

<https://goo.gl/Ti5Bxz>

Shinobu Togasaki, Aug. 17, 1932 - Sept. 3, 2017, San Jose

Born in San Francisco on Aug. 17, 1932, to Kikumatsu and Sugi Togasaki, Shinobu passed away peacefully at home in his sleep on Sept. 3, 2017. He is survived by daughter Ann Togasaki, son John Togasaki (wife Nadjia), and granddaughter Stefanie Togasaki. He was predeceased by his wife, Toshiko, to whom he was married for 50 years. He received a BS in math at Duke University in 1954 and did post graduate work at Stanford 1954-56. He worked for IBM (1956-1987) and H-P (1987-2003). Funeral services were held in September, at Oak Hill Funeral Home, Chapel of Roses. Donations can be made in his memory to the "West Valley JACL" or to the Alzheimer's Association (alz.org).

Published in San Jose Mercury News/San Mateo County Times on Sept. 9, 2017

<https://goo.gl/7ATMzz>

Margaret Marie Leonti, July 1, 1925 - September 8, 2017, San Jose, Ca.

Margaret touched the hearts of many with her fondness, kindness, and concern for others! She retired from Hewlett-Packard and enjoyed flower arranging as her hobby. Preceded in death by her husband, Anthony Joseph Leonti., she leaves her son Anthony Frank Leonti and daughter-in-law Marilyn. The grandchildren are Kristen Bright, Bruce Leonti (Morelia) and Jeanette Lomas (David). She was blessed with 7 great-grandchildren. The family would like to recognize the excellent job the staff of Skyline Health Care Center did for 4 years. Rest in peace, and we will miss you! Services were held in September at Oak Hill Funeral Home. Published in San Jose Mercury News/San Mateo County Times on Sept. 25, 2017

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Susan Crocker, June 11, 1941 - October 12, 2016

Susan is remembered for her generosity, extensive volunteer work and amazing garden as well as her environmental advocacy in Woodside, Ca., her long-time home. Susan worked as a project manager and administrator in both the public and private sectors. She retired from Hewlett Packard in 2004. She is missed by her friends and family. Donations in her memory may be made to Cedars of Marin.

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HPREC Member James Frederick Raddatz, 80, October 27, 1936 – March 29, 2017, Tracy,

passed away at his home surrounded by his loved ones on March 29, 2017, after a brief illness. He was born in Chicago, IL on October 27, 1936, to Margaret Raddatz and Fred Ratidets. He grew up in Chicago. He joined the United States Army in 1958, and was proud to serve his country in Korea. After he left the Army he met and married the love of his life, Mary Carino, in 1966. Shortly after starting their family, they moved to northern California, and settled in Mountain View. He pursued his business and finance education at Golden Gate University in San Francisco, earning both his Bachelor of Science, and his Masters of Business Administration degrees. In 1980, Jim and Mary moved with their daughters, Christine and Nancy, to Sunnyvale. He continued to work for Hewlett Packard as a financial analyst until he retired after 28 years, in 1996.

He enjoyed learning and traveling, whether it was on family road trips, or to Japan to visit close friends and learn about the culture. He welcomed several Japanese exchanges students to learn about American culture.

During his retirement, Jim hoped to learn to speak conversational Japanese, and to learn how to play the banjo. He shared his musical talent by joining, the Peninsula Banjo Band, where he played the 4-string banjo. He loved spending time with his grandchildren in Tracy, and traveling for visits to Wyoming. Jim's great faith was lifelong, and he enjoyed his service at St. Williams Catholic Church in Los Altos as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister. He also volunteered his time with the El Camino Hospital Auxiliary in Mountain View, working with Mary until it became time for him to provide for Mary's health needs.

In 2013, Jim and Mary moved to Tracy to live closer to family. He never learned how to speak Japanese, but continued to learn through reading about history, celebrating his faith, and listening to banjo and Big Band music.

Kurt Motogawa, 56, Los Altos, passed away very unexpectedly on October 7th, while vacationing in Florida.

First and foremost, Kurt was "the best father ever." His long talks with each of his children to discuss the philosophy of life along with his personal jokes with each of his children made them all feel so special and loved. Every weekend you would see him on a soccer field, in a basketball court or a baseball field watching his children play their sports. If not there, he was at Costco, looking for the best deals or side by side with his wife, Kim, on some adventure!

Kurt was a kind, gentle and quiet man with the highest level of personal integrity. His close friends also got to see Kurt's goofiness, humor and sarcasm. He was wise beyond his years, sharing his life experiences, advice and intellect. Born in Hawaii, Kurt spent his younger years on the island before moving to Austin, Texas, for school. He then moved to California to work for HP, where he met his wife Kim and so many of his dear friends and colleagues. He kept the HP Way going with other companies he worked at.

Kurt leaves behind his wife, Kim Cesena, and children: Kailani, Jakob, Joshua, Austin and Ritzo. He also leaves behind his brothers, Randall, Lester and Glen, and his parents Aiko and Morris. He left us way too soon.

A celebration of life was held at St. Williams Church in Los Altos on Thursday, October 26th, followed by a Hawaiian luau reception.

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HPREC Member George Tung passed away December 2016.

No Obituary or family submission

HPREC Member Virginia Pritchard passed away on April 2, 2017

No Obituary or family submission

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