

HPREC President's Message *By Bernard Bruand*

This newsletter is the first for FY 2019, which is also the 40th anniversary of the creation of HPREC – on April 4, 1979.

The Board is working on ideas and activities to mark this important milestone for the Club. We will tell you more in future newsletters. Stay tuned. If you have some ideas for this celebration, please let us know.



Voting: We just completed the yearly voting exercise using the new “Online Only” process in September. From our point of view, it was a great improvement as it was mostly automated, and we got fast turn-around with a good participation rate. Look for full details in article in this issue. Thanks to all who voted. Let us know if you had any issue with the process or have suggestions for improvement.

Holiday Luncheon: Just a last reminder that our 2018 Holiday Luncheon will take place at David's Banquet Center on Tuesday, Dec 11. Note it is Tuesday this year, not Monday.

Membership Renewal: If you have not renewed yet, please do it urgently (no later than Nov 16) so we don't have to send you a reminder by postal mail and create work for volunteers and cost for HPREC.

Dental plans for 2019:

Reminder: **PPO HPREC Group plan** will be discontinued and replaced by Individual Delta Dental plans. If you were a **PPO member for 2018** you need to **decide and act**. Current participants were sent an email in August being notified of this change.

As per article in the last newsletter, you can sign in with Delta Dental for the Individual PPO plan (see Club's web page) or decide to join some other plan. But if you do nothing, you won't have dental coverage for 2019. The new plan is open to everyone. So, contact Delta Dental if interested.

HMO Plan: No change and continues in 2019.

Spring Fling “Save the Date”: We have reserved Mariani's Restaurant for **Wednesday, Mar 20**. More info will appear in the January newsletter. Guest speaker TBD. Please mark your calendars!

Looking forward to seeing most of you at the Holiday Luncheon. Feel free to contact me with any suggestions, comments 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
Volunteer	Nov 7, 1 pm – 4 pm	RAFT Volunteer & Processing Center	See Sep'18 issue
Trip \$	Nov 7, 9:15 pm – 4 pm	Walt Disney Family Museum	Closed. See Sep'18 issue
Bowl \$	Nov 12, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 11
Hike	Nov 13, 10 am – 2 pm	Almaden Quicksilver County Park	See Sep'18 issue
Drop-in Lunch \$	Nov 27, 11:30 am – 2 pm	The Post of Los Altos	See Page 9
Trip \$	Dec 5, 3:45 pm – 11:30 pm	Beach Blanket Babylon	Closed. See Sep'18 issue
Bowl \$	Dec 10, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 11
Holiday Luncheon \$	Dec 11, 11 am – 2 pm	Holiday Luncheon David's Banquet Center	See Page 10
Hike	Dec 12, 10 am – 2 pm	Almaden Quicksilver County Park	See Page 11
Hike	Jan 8, 10 am – 2 pm	Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve	See Page 12
Bowl \$	Jan 14, 10:30 am – 12 pm	Homestead Bowl, Cupertino	Just come or see Page 11
Hike	Jan 16, 10 am – 2 pm	San Jose State University Campus Tour	See Page 12
Volunteer	Jan 17, 9:30 am – 1 pm	St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room	See Page 8
Drop-in Lunch \$	Jan 29, 11:30 am – 2 pm	The Post of Los Altos	See Page 9
Spring Fling \$	Mar 20, 11 am – 2 pm	Mariani's Restaurant	See Jan'19 issue
Trip \$	Apr 9, 2019, 6:15 pm – 11:30 pm	Hamilton, San Francisco	Closed. See Sep'18 issue

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 this issue's HPREC membership update.

Welcome Members! I would like to extend a warm welcome to the following:

NEW members who joined our Club during August and September 2018: **George Thomas (Tom) Horton, Michele T. Drake, Jennifer Wagstaff Hinton, Joseph C. (Joe) Roark, Patricia Beck, Robert Lewis (Bob) Steward, and Jean Wilder.**

Rejoined: **Robin J. Ricciardi and Sharon R. Hudak.**



Welcome aboard and thank you for joining HPREC! The HPREC Club Membership stands at 942.

Membership Renewal: I would like to thank all of you who have renewed your Club membership. Renewal started on August 1 with the ONLINE RENEWAL process, which as you know makes it easy for you, and at the same time, simplifies our admin processes. At the time of closure of this publication, 391 people renewed online, **THANK YOU!**

If you have not yet renewed, please do so by Nov 16. A few days after, 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...a positive word from you on the benefits of being a member may just be what is needed to convince them to join.

Reminder of who's eligible to join: Someone who worked for at least 10 years at one of the companies (HPI, HPE, Agilent, or Keysight) that form our Club membership. They do NOT need to be receiving retiree benefits to be eligible to join. If someone was granted service credit with one of the four companies listed and is not sure if they qualify, ask us.

Newer members - not aware of our Recruitment Incentives?

- 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. Or, if you would like hardcopies sent to you, email me at ba.membershipchair@hpretirees.org and provide your mailing address and the number of copies you want.

- **You can win a Gift Card!** To encourage your participation, HPREC is offering **TWO \$50.00 GIFT CARDS** to be awarded at the HPREC Holiday Luncheon which takes place **December 2019** (exact date to be announced in future issue). You need not be present to win. 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, 2018 through October 31, 2019 (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 Board members). If you have questions or comments, email me 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 **Pat Capshaw** and **Barbara Trone** will be confirmed to the HPREC Board of Directors starting on Nov 1, 2018.

Pat joined HP in 1969 and has spent most of her career in human resources working in a variety of functions and entities. From 1989 to 1999, she was the HR Manager for the Software Services Division (SSD). Pat retired from HP in 1999 after 30 years of service.



Pat has spent her retirement years pursuing her passion for travel, movies, reading, cooking, and attending to her more than 25 rose bushes. She has also been very involved with her grandson, who was born a few months after she retired. More recently, she has started attending weekly lectures at the Institute for the Study of Western Civilization, which she finds fascinating.

Pat formerly served as an HPREC Board member from 2007-2009. The Board welcomes her return.

Barbara began her career at HP in 1988 as an administrative assistant to the Manufacturing Manager of the Printed Circuit Board Division in Sunnyvale. She continued in this position until the Sunnyvale Manufacturing Shop closed in 1993. Barbara moved to the Network Server Division in Santa Clara as admin to the Marketing Manager, assisting him and his team to increase HP's market share. In 1997, she joined the Mobile Computing Division as a lab coordinator where she managed the Lab Test Schedule and kept an inventory of spare parts. In 2000, Barbara assumed the position of product planner for the Asia Pacific area for the Consumer PC Division. She retired from HP in 2005.

Since retirement, Barbara has volunteered at the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Department in the Records Department. She has also volunteered with HPREC at RAFT, putting together science kits, and at the Marine Science Institute. She belongs to a Christian ensemble group which performs a couple of times a year. Barbara and her husband, John, have traveled whenever they had an opportunity.

On behalf of the HPREC Board of Directors, I would like to thank all of you who voted! **Thanks to a great effort from the Club's technical team**, we changed the voting process to be driven via email only. This new method has brought a number of benefits to the Club, to name a few: members no longer need to mail the ballot, they simply make and send their selection via email; no paper used in the process, doing our little bit to save precious natural resources; ballots no longer counted by hand, for which I am grateful; results available in a much shorter period of time; and no expenses incurred mailing the ballots to members, and members mailing the ballots back to us. One added benefit is that by having your email address we can communicate with you in a more straightforward and faster way.

For those of you who enjoy numbers:

1. On September 4 we successfully delivered the Board of Directors ballot email to 795 members.
2. Total recipients who opened the email: 437 or 55%, **please always watch for emails from our Club!!!!**
3. 305 members voted, and all for the slate; the number who voted was 70% of those who opened the email. Great result!

Our sincere appreciation for your support!

LATEST - Updated info since last newsletter.

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

HOT NEWS section of Club's home page:

- Deadline for signing up for the Tues, Dec 11 Holiday Luncheon is Dec 4. **\$35 by Nov 30**, \$40 between Dec 1-4. Go to our Club's home page to sign up and pay.

- If you have NOT renewed your membership yet, please go to our Club's home page and renew online **by Nov 16** to avoid being sent a "reminder" invoice or by Dec 31 to ensure you will be mailed our annual Member Directory in Feb.

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[www.bayarea.hpway.org](http://www.bayarea.hpway.org) - Bay Area Employee Programs (Maintained by HP affiliated volunteers)

Discounted offerings made available by HP to retirees; *see password section below or discount codes on some websites for access info*. You can also access this website from the Club's home page (under Discounts/Benefits). Once on website, click on "[Bay Area Employee Programs eNews](#)" link under [News Highlights](#) banner to find latest online offerings.

*Discounted tickets available online only (reminder - HP Store in Palo Alto has closed forever):*

- **SHN Orpheum** –
  - *A Bronx Tale* – Nov 27-Dec 23
  - *Bats Out of Hell* – Dec 4-23
- **SHM Golden Gate**
  - *Waitress* – Oct 16 – Nov 11
  - *Come From Away* – Jan 8-Feb 3, 2019
- **SAP Center**
  - *Harlem Globetrotters* – Jan 20-21, 2019
- **Great America, California Academy of Sciences, Children's Discovery Museum, Monterey Bay Aquarium, Roaring Camp, Seascape Resort, LegoLand, SF Symphony, Universal Studios Hollywood**

**Note:** Disneyland, Winchester Mystery House tickets **NO LONGER OFFERED** to Bay Area Employee Programs. Disneyland tickets available via HP Continuum (for HPI retirees).



### **PASSPORT UNLIMITED Discount Card**

**HPI retiree link:** [www.beneplace.com/hp\\_retiree](http://www.beneplace.com/hp_retiree) (*underscore after hp*)

Enter User name (see Passwords section below) and follow instructions.

<https://hp-inc.passportcorporate.com/Info/One/>

Alternate URL for HPI retirees.

**HPE retiree link:** [www.beneplace.com/hpe\\_retiree](http://www.beneplace.com/hpe_retiree) (*underscore after hpe*)

If needed, contact Passport Customer Relations at 800-410-4211 to order/renew a card or email them at [support@passportunlimited.com](mailto:support@passportunlimited.com).



Please note: **Agilent** and **Keysight** are not eligible for these Passport discounts. Only available to those who retired from HP, HPI, or HPE.

## BASICS - Complete BASIC information about the HP-related websites can always be found:

- 1) in the front pages of your annual Member Directory (with passwords) or
- 2) on the Club's website, under **Web Introduction** (minus passwords). It is not fully repeated in the newsletter.

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

No password required for some of the site.

[www.hpcontinuum.com](http://www.hpcontinuum.com) - (Maintained by HP Inc for HPI designated retirees) Create own user name and password. News, Benefits, Discounts (incl Disneyland/World, Broadway shows and others), how to order Gold Badge.



[www.hpalumni.org](http://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 by HP. Membership is free.

You can join the HPAA Benefits Forum for mutual help on health coverage -- retirement, Medicare, open-market -- and decoding Annual Enrollment. [www.hpalumni.org/goBenefits](http://www.hpalumni.org/goBenefits)

Please refer to this website for valuable stock tracking data compiled by these wonderful volunteers, plus other info.

**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, incl Passport U, choose Retiree Discounts link)                                                      | <a href="http://www.beneplace.com/hp_retiree">www.beneplace.com/hp_retiree</a><br>(underscore after hp in url)      | Current user names and passwords were included in the email you received announcing availability of this newsletter. |          |
| HP Continuum (News, Benefits, Discounts incl Passport U and Disneyland, Contacts)                                         | <a href="http://www.hpcontinuum.com">www.hpcontinuum.com</a>                                                        |                                                                                                                      |          |
| HPE (Retiree Discounts, incl Passport U)                                                                                  | <a href="http://www.beneplace.com/hpe_employee">www.beneplace.com/hpe_employee</a><br>(underscore after hpe in url) |                                                                                                                      |          |
| Bay Area Employee Programs (Discounts)                                                                                    | <a href="http://www.bayarea.hpway.org">www.bayarea.hpway.org</a>                                                    |                                                                                                                      |          |
| HP Branded Merchandise                                                                                                    | <a href="http://www.hpstore.com">www.hpstore.com</a><br>click on <b>HP Partner</b>                                  |                                                                                                                      |          |
| Passport Unlimited (dining discounts)<br>call Passport Member Relations at 1-800-410-4211 if you experience access issues | <a href="https://passportcorporate.com/Info/HP_Landing">https://passportcorporate.com/Info/HP_Landing</a>           |                                                                                                                      |          |
| HPREC <b>Member Info Updates</b> form<br>(update personal information) password is case sensitive, includes hyphen        | <a href="http://www.hpretirees.org/hprec">www.hpretirees.org/hprec</a>                                              |                                                                                                                      |          |

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

## From the Historian *By Gary Ruppel*

Welcome. With this November 2018 issue, we formally embark on the fiscal year that we celebrate the **40<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the founding of our Club. It was on April 4, 1979 that Fred Andersen (a recent retiree from HP Associates) invited four other retirees to join him for lunch at Max's Tea Room in Los Altos to consider forming a club for HP retirees. The goal was to create a non-profit club which would provide opportunities for retirees to socialize, maintain friendships, and to enjoy travel and various activities together. The group decided to move fast. Ray Rooney, who attended that first meeting, was elected president in early 1980 when the Club had about 60 members. Since Ray, there have been 25 Presidents serving terms of one to four years.



Naming the Club (for which the first annual dues were \$3.00) produced some interesting inputs, such as:

- H-P Postgraduates
- H-P R.A.H.S. (Retired and Happy Seniors)
- H-P Maturatiers
- H-P H.O.P (Happy Old Pensioners)
- H-P Happy Has Beens
- H-P Gadabouts

Fortunately, a more simplified and less controversial name prevailed!

The Club rapidly swung into action by hosting a luncheon in June 1979 at which then CEO, John Young, gave a presentation. The next event scheduled for September 1979 was a trip to HP's Santa Rosa Division. Many events soon followed, with excursions to San Francisco, Hearst Castle via the Coast Starlight, and a barbeque luncheon at San Felipe Ranch (owned by Dave and Bill) south of San Jose. More activities became "regulars," including the annual Holiday Luncheon, the Spring Fling, and the Summer Picnic. Monthly activities of hiking, golf, bridge (no longer active), and bowling all followed. The HP/Agilent Retiree Volunteer group formally joined HPREC in 2004. The volunteer organization had run independently for 10 years.

The Club reached its peak membership of nearly 2,300 in the mid 2000s, and due to many factors, has declined significantly to about 1000. However, this decline in numbers has not diminished the spirit of the many Club members and volunteers who keep the organization running smoothly and contributing to the local Bay Area communities in which we are located. Fred Andersen's goal of providing a sense of "togetherness" for retirees is still flourishing.

## HPREC Recruiting at HPI's Retiree Benefit Fair *By John McGowan*

Board/Tech Team member **Paul Hsia**, Board/Membership Chair **Oscar Lombardi**, and HPREC President **Bernard Bruand** shared information about – and signed up – new members for HPREC during the HPI Retiree Benefits Fair that was held in Palo Alto on October 18.

We appreciate HP offering us space at their Fair to gain exposure to "soon to retire" employees who may not know about our Club.

HPREC joined with health insurance firms and other benefit providers participating in the event. This annual event always draws a good crowd of retirees from around the Bay Area.



# HPARV “Done in a Day” Volunteer Opportunities

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



## St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room

We will prepare and serve food. Some tasks require standing.

For the past 35 years, the Padua Dining Room has pursued its mission to provide hot, well-balanced meals to people in the community. They serve low-income people with as many as 600 hot, nourishing meals a day, six days a week. Padua charges no fees, asks no questions and turns no one away.

Date & Time: **Tuesday, Jan 17, 2019, 9:30 am – 1 pm**

Place: St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room  
3500 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park, CA

Directions: From Highway 101, take exit #406/Marsh Road; go southwest.

In 1.3 miles, go right onto Middlefield Road. Padua Dining Room is 0.5 a mile down Middlefield Road on your left.

From I-280, take Hwy 84/Woodside Road to Middlefield Road and turn right. Padua Dining Room is 1.3 miles down Middlefield Road on your right.

RSVP: ***hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com*** or call **John McCabe** at 650-328-3472 by **Jan 6, 2019**.





# Drop-in Lunch



Join other HPREC members for a monthly drop-in lunch at **The Post of Los Altos**, 395 Main Street, Los Altos, CA on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 11:30 am. Menu includes great hamburgers, sandwiches, salads, etc. Anyone is welcome at this NO HOST lunch.



## *Future Dates*

No lunch in December

January 29, 2019

No reservations needed.

**The Post** is located at 395 Main Street, Los Altos, at the corner of First Street. Parking in the back. See website for menu: [thepostlosaltos.com](http://thepostlosaltos.com).



## 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 \$5.50/game (we bowl two games). Shoe rental is separate.














The next few bowling events are **Nov 12 (Veteran's Day), Dec 10, and Jan 14** from **10:30 am - 12 pm**. If interested, please just come or contact Bernard Bruand at [ba.president@hpreirees.org](mailto:ba.president@hpreirees.org) or find his phone number in the Club Directory.

## Hikes in Dec & Jan'19 *By John McCabe*



### Hike Name: Almaden Quicksilver County Park (at McAbee Road)

|                                                                                     |                                                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|    | Wed, Dec 12, 10 am                                                       |
|    | Tues, Dec 18, 10 am                                                      |
|    | Free, park on the street                                                 |
|    | David Karwowski<br>408-265-6667<br>Phone Day of Hike<br>408-623-6632     |
|  | About 4½ miles                                                           |
|  | Moderate                                                                 |
|  | Some elevation gain                                                      |
|  | Dogs on leash OK                                                         |
|  | No                                                                       |
|  | Bathrooms at start/finish area                                           |
|  | Bring water, sunscreen,<br>walking sticks and lunch, \$2 for<br>carpool. |

### Meet at Almaden County Park, McAbee Road Entrance

**Place:** Almaden Quicksilver Park is the site of over 135 years of mining activities, and we'll see remnants of the Senator Mine as we make our way through the park. We'll also hike by the Guadalupe Reservoir and catch some spectacular vistas along the way.

**Driving Directions:** Take Hwy 85 to the Almaden Expressway exit. Proceed south about 1.2 miles to McAbee Road and turn right. Continue on McAbee Road for 1.7 miles to the end (at Whispering Pines Drive) to the entrance gate. Park on the street nearby and meet at the entrance gate.

**If you wish to carpool:** 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.

### Note: There will be no Lite Hike in November.



\* **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](mailto:leonaandjohn@att.net)).

(Continued...)

## Hikes in Dec & Jan'19 *(Continued...)*

### Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve

|                                                                                   |                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
|  | Tues, Jan 8, 10 am                                |
|  | Tues, Jan 15, 10am                                |
|  | Free                                              |
|  | John McCabe 650-328-3472                          |
|  | 6.4 miles                                         |
|  | Moderate (long)                                   |
|  | About 20 feet                                     |
|  | No                                                |
|  | Yes                                               |
|  | At the start and finish and just after lunch      |
|  | Water, a lunch, and \$1 to reimburse the drivers. |

This will definitely be the most level hike of the year. I don't mean that on average it will be level, as we end where we begin. I mean that the only hill to climb is maybe 20 feet high. The 6.4 mile loop will get us sufficient exercise, however.

This hike, starting at Byxbee Park, will have great views of the bay and lots of birds to see. One can expect to see lots of ducks such as shoveler, canvasback, ruddy, mallard, pintail, gadwall, wigeon, and goldeneye. Also seen regularly are egrets, herons, avocets, stilts, godwits, willets, sandpipers, harriers, pelicans, coots, cormorants, and grebes.

We will be hiking on pavement and gravel topped levees. The surface should be good even if it has rained. We'll see Charleston and Mayfield Sloughs, plus Matadero and Adobe Creeks. We will eat our lunch by Mountain View's Shoreline Lake.

Please carpool as parking is limited at Byxbee Park.

To meet at Byxbee Park, exit Embarcadero Road East (towards the airport and bay) from Highway 101. Take Embarcadero Road past the golf course to where it ends at a "T" intersection. Turn right at the "T" towards the recycling center. Turn left into Byxbee Park (the recycling center is on the right). Park in the parking lot.

### San Jose State University Campus Tour

|                                                                                     |                                                                                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  | Wed, Jan 16, 10 am                                                                             |
|  | No rainout. We go rain or shine unless it is pouring                                           |
|  | Free                                                                                           |
|  | Gary Ruppel (650) 888-2144                                                                     |
|  | About 2 miles                                                                                  |
|  | Easy – Flat as a pancake                                                                       |
|  | 0 feet                                                                                         |
|  | Service dogs only                                                                              |
|  | Yes                                                                                            |
|  | Yes. At the start and at the middle.                                                           |
|  | Water, sunscreen. Lunch can be obtained at the Student Union Cafeteria or downtown if desired. |

**Meet at the North Parking Garage at the corner of 9th Street and E San Fernando Street at 10 am. Park on the third floor and get a parking pass at the kiosk(s). Payment (nominal) is by CC or ATM. Meet others at the lower entrance to the garage.**

- From HWY 101 to the Oakland Road, exit toward 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn right onto Oakland Road. Turn right onto Hedding Street. Turn left onto N 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn right onto E San Fernando Street.
- From HWY 280, take the 10<sup>th</sup> Street. exit toward 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Use the left two lanes to turn left onto S 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn left onto E San Fernando.
- Founded in 1857 as the Minns' Normal School in San Francisco, SJSU moved to San Jose in 1870 into a single wooden building. The Normal School changed its name twice, first to San Jose State Teacher's College in 1921 and then to San Jose State College in 1934. In 1972, SJSU became part of the California State University system. SJSU is the oldest public institution on the west coast.
- Go Spartans!





## HPARV Volunteer News

[hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com](mailto:hp.agilent.volunteers@hotmail.com)

### Helping Sunnyvale Community Services Assist Our Local Community *By John McCabe*

Every month, Sunnyvale Community Services feeds around 1,750 families consisting of about 8,300 individuals. About 20% of these individuals are seniors. Feeding this group requires a lot of manpower. On an afternoon in September, a dozen HPREC volunteers provided a total of 24 hours of work (over and above what several HPREC members do on a routine basis). We helped SCS prepare for their big monthly food distribution by packaging 1,200 frozen chickens and creating about 800 double bags.



(L – R): Wanda Lee, Mike Tada, Marsha Lee, Bert Laurence (sitting), Fran Low, Carol Arnett, Judy Owen, Barbara Weber (sitting), Richard Gee, Pat Fausett, Barbara Bowden (sitting), and John McCabe.

While doing this, we talked about old times and caught up with each other's lives. **Pat Fausett** and **Bert Laurence** discovered that they both lived in Lombard, IL, a western suburb of Chicago with a population of around 43,000, during the 1950s. They shared places each knew as teenagers. It really made the time go fast. Bert had never actually met a stranger that lived anywhere he had – an unusual experience.



## Hiking News *Compiled by Gary Ruppel*

### Redwood Grove Loop Trail *By Jim Holl (Leader) with photo by Steve Mar*

Our Lite hike for September was in the Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park. The group also visited Roaring Camp Railroads which is adjacent to the parking area. Six hikers enjoyed a sunny day in the Felton area where temperatures were in the sixties. The group picture was taken on the trail at the base of the tallest redwood in the park. This tree is nearly 300 feet tall and over 17 feet wide.

The loop trail is a nature trail where one can learn about this park. On the trail, the group met foreign visitors and parents and grandparents and their very young children. The group paused at one point to admire one toddler who adopted **Janis Andrews** for a time. There were many rangers and volunteers that answered our questions and encouraged us to enter the John C. Fremont tree. We were told that the record for people inside the tree is 86!



*(L – R): Dale & Maria McAtee, Jim Holl, Janis Andrews, and Steve & Kay Mar.*

Restrooms are available near the beginning of the trail, at the Fremont Tree and at Roaring Camp Railroads. To enjoy this hike, take 880/17 south to Mt. Herman road (exit 3) west (turn right toward Felton) for 3.5 miles to Graham Hill Road (where road ends), right for 0.2 miles to the next stop light (Highway 9). Turn left onto Highway 9 and go through downtown Felton for 0.7 miles to the entrance of Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park. Turn left into the park and proceed to the Park Entrance Station.

### San Francisco Stairway Hike of Dolores Heights *By Jim Holl (Leader) with photos by Steve Mar*

Eleven hikers gathered in San Francisco on a sunny day with the temperature about 65F. A nice breeze helped cool the group as they climbed many stairs. The hike began at the recently refurbished Randall Museum on Corona Heights. The group descended to the Castro Muni Station which the group used to pass under the intersection of Market Street, 17th Street and Castro Street. After crossing the heart of the Castro District, the group climbed the Sanchez Stairs to the Dolores Heights area. The route taken on Dolores Heights is described in [Stairway Walks in San Francisco](#) by Mary Burk. We walked most of Walk 21 from the book. The group picture was taken on the Liberty Stairs above a collection of elegant Victorian houses from the late 1800s. The return trip from the Castro District was via the shaded Vulcan Stairway's 218 steps.



*(L – R): Sitting; Kay & Steve Mar. Standing: Chuck Sieloff, Bernard Bruand, Shirley Kwan, Eileen Ruppel, Maria & Dale McAtee, Jim Holl, and Michele Olsten.  
Not pictured: Gary Ruppel.*

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## Hiking News *(Continued...)*

### **Bedwell Bayfront Park Lite Hike** *By John McCabe (Leader) with photos by John and Steve Mar*

We had a beautiful October day for our Lite Hike at Bedwell Bayfront Park in Menlo Park. Fourteen HPREC hikers



*(L – R): John McCabe, Kuo-Jung Chang, Shirley Kwan, Fred Kohler, Kay Mar, Janis Andrews, Steve Mar, Gary Ruppel, Barbara Beebe, Eileen Ruppel, Lee Tan, Carol Arnett, and Maria & Dale McAtee.*

enjoyed their time together going around one of the Bay Area's hidden gems. The park is just off the Bayshore Freeway and is surrounded on three sides by the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge. We strolled around the 160 acres park for a total of just over 2 miles. Much of the time it looked like we were walking by snow fields. The water from the San Francisco Bay evaporates over the summer leaving glistening white layers of sea salt. We saw lots of black-necked stilts and northern shoveler ducks. Other birds that we saw include Canada geese, a great egret, and sparrows.

The largest tidal wetland restoration project on the West Coast is happening right next to the park in the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. To learn more about this project please go to [www.SouthBayRestoration.org](http://www.SouthBayRestoration.org).



*From this...*



*To this!*

To explore Bedwell Bayfront Park on your own, take Highway 101 to the CA-84 E/Marsh Road exit. Take Marsh Road east and immediately get in the left lane to go straight on Marsh Road into the park entrance. There is ample parking and restrooms. If you are like to walk up hills, there are numerous trails that go up the hills. We choose the longest (about 2.2 miles) and the flattest hike around the periphery of the park. If you would like to bring your dog, it will be welcomed.

# *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.

**Eugene Taskovich**, 1958 – 2018, 60, Palo Alto

Eugene passed away on Sunday, August 19th, 2018 at Kindred Hospital in San Leandro, California, after his 16-month battle with cholangiocarcinoma (cancer of the Bile Duct). He was born in Palo Alto in 1958, the eldest son of Lina and the late Hugo (Ljubo) Taskovich who predeceased him in 2013.

Unusual for these times, Eugene was fortunate to have had only one continuous employer since graduating from the University of the Pacific in 1981 with a BSEE degree. (Keysight Technologies — formerly a division of Agilent Technologies and before then a division of Hewlett-Packard.) Eugene was a Manufacturing/New Product Introduction (NPI) Engineer. With over 35 years of experience, his knowledge was widely appreciated on an international scale, and he made many trips to manufacturing locations in Asia to inspect the quality of products coming off the assembly line and to train others how to do so.

Eugene learned to play the piano at an early age, and at Cubberley Senior High School in Palo Alto, he played the clarinet in the marching band. Eugene was an avid cook, gardener, photographer, skier, cyclist, and also a video game and Lego enthusiast.

Donations in Eugene's name can be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society of the Saint Athanasius Church located at 160 N. Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View, CA 94043.

The Taskovich family would like to especially thank the ICU nursing staff and doctors of the Stanford University Hospital and Kindred Hospital for their devotion and care during the last month of Eugene's life.

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**HPREC Member Francis J. Gerrity**, Feb. 7, 1935 – Sept. 11, 2018, Resident of Cupertino

Francis ("Frank") Gerrity passed peacefully, while surrounded by family. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Elizabeth ("Betty").

Born and raised in Scranton, PA, Frank graduated from Johnson Technical Institute and met Betty, the love of his life, on a blind date. After marrying, they moved to Sunnyvale where Frank took a job at HP. After 40 years in various roles at HP, Frank retired to spend time with his family and to volunteer with Agnews Development Center and the Sunnyvale Community Services. Frank's love of sports was legendary and meeting Willie Mays in person was a highlight of a life well lived.

Frank is survived by his four children (Frank, Joyce, Mary, Cathy), six grandchildren, his sister and brother, and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the staff and residents of Chateau Cupertino for providing care, comfort, and friendship during his later years.

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**Siegfried Linkwitz**, Nov. 23, 1935 - Sept. 10, 2018

Siegfried was called "home" in the very early morning hours of September 10 at the age of 82. Survived by his wife and best friend of 57 years, Eike, and many family members in Germany and USA. Loving father to his children, Monika and Andreas. Proud Opa to his grandchildren, Julia, Anja, and Danielle. Father-in law to Ron (Monika) and Susan (Andreas). Siegfried will be remembered as an innovative engineer at Hewlett Packard for 37 years, music and loudspeaker enthusiast, creator of [www.linkwitzlab.com](http://www.linkwitzlab.com), student of the spiritual life, contemplative conversationalist, and loving friend. Donations in his memory may be made to Hospice by the Bay, San Rafael, CA.

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**Sue Gorrindo**, 1946-2018, died on August 29 after a long illness.

Sue joined HP in 1973 and retired as an IT Specialist at Corporate after thirty years. After she retired, she took up raising and caring for alpacas, an avocation that suited her kind, gentle nature.

Sue was a hearty, loving woman who enjoyed life tremendously. She loved to laugh and always had a good joke ready. She was also proud of her Basque ancestry.

A gathering will be held in Palo Alto on November 10 to celebrate the life of Sue Gorrindo. For details, contact Laura Alster-Martin at [hmlaura@gmail.com](mailto:hmlaura@gmail.com). A quote from Laura: "During her lengthy career in the Bay Area, Sue touched the lives of many. We're going to gather to laugh, cry, and reminisce."

[Reported to HPAA by Laura Alster-Martin]

**Donald Charles Quaintance, II**, 75, of Kona, Hawaii, died on September 12, 2018 in Honolulu.

Don was born October 22, 1942 in Hilo, Hawaii, to the late Donald Charles and the late Evelyn (Horne) Quaintance, the oldest of three children. He grew up on the Big Island of Hawaii, a place he loved deeply, graduating from Hawaii Preparatory Academy in 1960 and serving in the U.S. Navy for two years. He went to college on the mainland, graduating from Stanford University in 1967 with a B.A. in Economics. He went on to obtain a J.D. from the University of Santa Clara School of Law and was admitted to the State Bar of California in 1974. He was proud to work as a corporate attorney for Hewlett-Packard for many years, first in Palo Alto and later in Boston. His assignments for HP extended over a broad range of legal expertise and multiple divisions within the company, but he was happiest and had the most success in practicing labor and employment law and supporting HP's Medical Products Group and US sales organizations. He was exceptionally energetic, responsive and efficient in serving his corporate clients, and his advice was always direct, practical and well aligned with the company's business objectives. He also had a passion for traveling the US and the world and enjoyed countless trips with family and friends. Upon his retirement, he returned to his beloved Big Island, where he had built his dream house on Konokohau Road in Waimea. In 2015, due to declining health, he moved to the Regency at Hualalai, an assisted living center in Kona. He never stopped appreciating the beauty of Hawaii and made sure to watch the spectacular sunsets over the ocean from his window every evening.

He is survived by his daughter Courtney; his sons, Donald and his wife Jean, and Christopher and his wife Aisha; his grandchildren, Leila, Keala, and Cooper; his former wife Cecele Quaintance; and his former companion of many years, Gray Gilfillan.

A few months before his death, Don sent to his three children Warren Zevon's beautiful farewell song, "Keep Me in Your Heart." On his behalf, we hope you will listen to it, and that you will keep him in your hearts for a while.

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**Arthur Del Warner**, 87, passed away on September 27, 2018, at Petaluma Post-Acute Rehab.

He was born August 31, 1931 in Glenns Ferry, ID to Dell and Goldie Warner. He retired from the US Air Force after serving 20 years in 1971. Arthur had a full career working for the City of Cotati, Optical Coating Laboratory, Inc., and Hewlett Packard. Arthur is survived by his wife, Judith Warner; son, David Warner; sister Vicki (Warner) Ward; David's wife Claudia Warner; granddaughters, Andrea and Marisabel Luna; grandson, David James Warner; great-granddaughter Sofia Lazaro; great-grandson Daniel Olmedo. Arthur was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother, Robert Norman Warner.

The family would like to thank Petaluma Post-Acute Rehab and Hospice of Petaluma for all their exceptional support and care.

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**HPREC Member Leslie Gremett**, December 7, 1941 – October 9, 2018, Resident of San Jose, CA

Les passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, at the age of 76.

Born in Honolulu, Hawaii, he graduated from St. Louis High School, class of 1959, in Honolulu. He then graduated from University of Hawaii in January 1964 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Les went on to earn a Masters degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California in 1971.

In January of 1965, he married his University of Hawaii sweetheart, Jo. Also, in the same year, he began his career by working for Castle and Cooke in Hawaii. He later went to work for AAFES – Army and Air Force Exchange Service in Dallas, Texas, which enabled him to travel all over the world.

He expanded his computer skills even more when he was hired by Hewlett-Packard (HP). He loved his work and it showed! During his time at HP, his team was featured in Fortune magazine. Looking for a new challenge, he began learning new skills in the property appraisal field.

In retirement Les enjoyed woodworking, building boats, volunteering at church and, most of all, spending time with his grandchildren.

Throughout his life he enjoyed his sons, Andy and Peter, and loved going to swim meets, baseball, soccer games and spending time together as a family. He is survived by his wife Jo, sons Andy (Diana) and Peter (Laura); his four grandchildren, Emily, Matthew, James and Joseph, and sister Joellen Webb of Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to: St. Louis High School Development Office, In Memory of Leslie Gremett, Attn: Richard Gonsalves, 3142 Waialae Ave., Honolulu, HI 96816

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*HPREC Member Theodore Laliotis*, March 21, 1939 -- October 12, 2018, Los Altos

Theodoros Laliotis was born in Epidavros, Greece. The youngest of four, Ted immigrated to San Francisco at the age of 19. He attended San Jose State University and UC Berkeley, where he received a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering. In 1966, he married Evangelia Cochila and moved to Los Altos, where they raised their sons, Ari and Tony.

Ted worked as a tech executive at HP and was an IEEE Lifetime Fellow. After his retirement, Ted pursued his passion for entrepreneurship in real estate and investment. A dedicated public servant, Ted was elected Mayor of Los Altos in 1991 and sat on City Council for many years.

Ted worked to preserve Greek Heritage and the Greek Orthodox Faith, working through the Hellenic Federation of Northern California, Elios Society, and Metropolis Council, among many other organizations. He was awarded the Axion award, the Elios Cultural Award, and the Ellis Island Medal of Honor. In 2012, Ted was invested as an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Ted loved spending time in Tahoe and Greece, fishing, skiing, and listening to Greek music. He will be remembered for his love of life, generosity, and dedication to his family.

Ted is survived by his wife Evangelia, sons Ari and Tony, daughters-in-law Kristy and Lisa, and grandchildren Emily, Katy, Grace, Anthony, and Isla Laliotis.

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