



The San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club Newsletter 1st Quarter 2019

A Message from the President

Joe Lucchesi

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Dear Friends,

The club continues to work on its primary mission of communication with all of its members through the website, newsletters and visits to those that are sick.

I hope all of you are having a great year and look forward to seeing you.

Joe

Club Info

Web Site: www.sjqcc.org

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There is no phone, please use email

Note:

The new website now ends with .org

It now also works with mobile devices

You are members of the **San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club**, some may think it is the same as the **IBM San Jose Alumni Club**. They are separate clubs even though we do many joint events and even though many of you are members of both. To access the SJ QCC web site go to <http://www.sjqcc.org> To access the SJ Alumni Club web site go to <http://www.sjpc.org/sjrc/>.

IBM History

1911: IBM's precursor, the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Company (CTR), created by the merger of The International Time Recording Company Computing Scale Company, and the Tabulating Machine Company. The companies combined revenue for the fiscal year 1910 was "excess of \$950,000." A bulletin ran in United States Investor in July of that year.

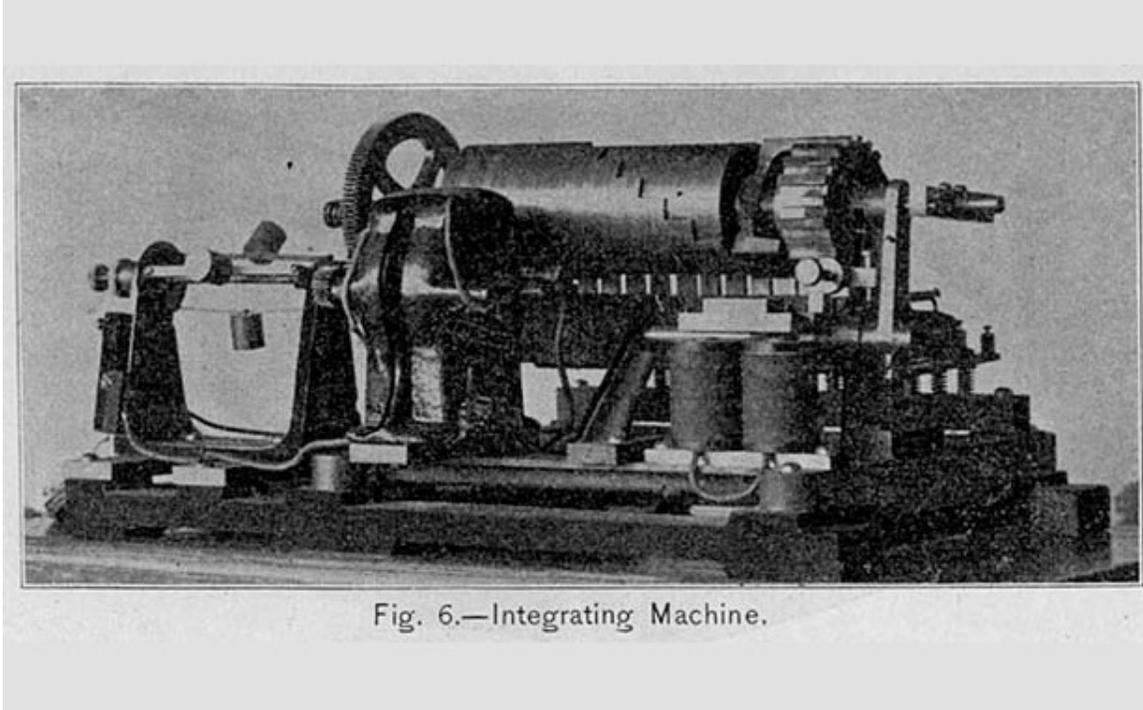


Fig. 6.—Integrating Machine.

1915: The company's founder, Thomas J. Watson, Sr. who coined IBM's motto "Think," elaborates on his vision for thought.

1924: CTR becomes International Business Machines aka IBM. Here's a look at the history of the IBM logo from its birth through the CTR days until today.

1931: Talk about company spirit. IBM employees sang the company's rally song in this incredible recording. In case you want to sing along, here's the chorus:

EVER ONWARD -- EVER ONWARD!
That's the spirit that has brought us fame!
We're big, but bigger we will be
We can't fail for all can see
That to serve humanity has been our aim!
Our products now are known, in every zone,
Our reputation sparkles like a gem!
We've fought our way through -- and new
Fields we're sure to conquer too
For the EVER ONWARD I.B.M.

In Memoriam

Arthur James Bonner	Sofia Milner Laskowski
Douglas A. Brooner	Donald M. Luke
John W. Coburn	Richard Alfred Osterman
Alfonso Di Manto	Jay Ballard Sampson
Paul Frommherz	Edward Miller Self
Richard Giles Grant	George W. Walker
Morgan Lynn Heesch	

Art Bonner was a market planner in New York and Albuquerque before coming to this area where he worked in San Jose, Palo Alto and ACS Menlo Park. He was the ACS market planning manager. Art was a veteran of the US Marine Corps.

Doug Brooner started his 37 year IBM career as a time keeper, had a series of assignments in personnel (HR) and advanced to international assignee representative.

John Coburn worked in research as a staff member and manager. He made major contributions to reactive ion etching, one of the key processes used in the semiconductor industry. This process has played a crucial role in the progress made in nano-science and technology.

Al Di Manto's 32 year IBM career took him into a variety of areas including engineering records, production control, procurement and the customer briefing center. He loved to sing and was in numerous choral groups.

Paul Frommherz was a technical writer who worked on system/360 publications and various other service manuals. After his IBM retirement he had a second career as a hospital medical transcriptionist. He had previously served in the US Army.

Richard Grant was a programmer and a programming manager in the lab. He had previously served in the US Army during the Korean war.

Lynn Heesch had a varied 34 year IBM career, which included magnetic head test engineering, component test, and as a member of the support team for the building 26 computer complex. In retirement he had been living in Lincoln Hills.

Sofia Laskowski was a chemical engineer who managed a technology group that provided support to many development projects. She was a technical assistant to the site general manager and retired as the Program Director of Intellectual Licensing in San Jose.

Don Luke began his 36 year IBM career as a customer engineer in Southern California at Douglas Aircraft where he serviced 701s and 704s, IBMs first computers. He came to San Jose as an instructor on the 1401. He also worked as a technical writer and field support specialist, ending his career at Santa Teresa lab. He was on the 1401 restoration team at the Computer History Museum.

Dick Osterman was trained as a watchmaker. He came to IBM to work on magnetic heads for disk drives. His assignments were mostly in procurement quality engineering. He also ran his own watch repair business. He served in the US Army Quartermaster Corps during the Korean war.

Jay Sampson worked in the lab in various areas including custom systems, system performance evaluation and product engineering.

Ed Self had a 27 year career as an engineer, programmer and manager in test engineering and manufacturing engineering. In retirement he pursued a second career focused on land preservation in the Santa Cruz mountains.

During his 35 years at IBM, **George Walker** worked in East Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, Austin and San Jose, where he was the manager of materials. George also served as President of the San Jose IBM Alumni Club. His many interests included visiting more than 70 countries

TRIPS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Activity	TAR	Page	Contact	Phone
Jan 17, 2019	IBM Alumni Club Board meeting		2	Bernie Coullahan	408-656-2907
Jan 23, 2019	<i>Info meeting, 10:15 AM, Iceland</i>		6	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Jan 23, 2019	<i>Info meeting, 11:30 AM, OBERAMMERGAU</i>		5	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Apr 27-May 9, 2019	Croatia, Slovenia and the Adriatic coast		4	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Oct 6-19, 2019	Cultural Treasures of Japan		4	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Oct 23-Nov 1, 2019	Amsterdam-Zurich Rhine/Moselle River Cruise		5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Feb 12-19, 2020	Iceland		6	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Sep 16-28, 2020	OBERAMMERGAU Passion Play, Switzerland, Alpine countries		5	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393

TAR: Trip Activity Rating

- 1 Limited walking & activity
- 2 Walking limited to facilities within approximately 1 block of the bus or hotel
- 3 Average walking (3 blocks or more) sightseeing in museums and attractions
- 4 Very active walking, may include airport departures, climbing on and off trains and attractions, may involve high altitudes (9000+) and possible weather extremes

Magical Rhine and Moselle – A River Cruise

Zurich to Amsterdam aboard the MS October 23rd, 2019 –Nov. 1st, 2019

Our tour opens in Amsterdam where we will board our ship and enjoy a welcome aboard dinner, the next day we will enjoy a city tour of Amsterdam including a canal boat cruise thru Amsterdam. The next morning the River takes you to Cologne and past the picturesque German landscape dotted with medieval towns. In Cologne you may join a guided walking tour of the city's Old Town with its narrow cobbled streets. Not to miss the magnificent Cologne Cathedral as well as the Roman Dionysus mosaic and Romanesque church of St. Martin. Then we sail on to the Moselle River to Cochem and a guided tour of the lovely town and the Reichsburg Castle high on a precipitous rock above the town. Enjoy meeting a local winemaker and taste regional Mosel wines. Now on to Koblenz, a 2000 year old city, we will explore a walking tour then on to Rudesheim and visit its famous Mechanical Music Museum. The river then takes us to Mannheim for you to explore, later sail to Speyer on one of the oldest cities in Germany and explore the Old Gate and Jewish baths. That evening enjoy a Gala Captain's Dinner. Your journey now takes you to Strasbourg, France join a guided tour of the old quarter featuring the Cathedral of Notre Dame. Disembark at Basel and travel to Alsace wine region and spend time in beautiful Colmar. Drive on to Titisee, a German Resort town nestled alongside its picturesque lake hidden deep in the Black Forest where we will enjoy a dinner of regional specialties before arriving at in Zurich. To know the Rhine River is to know Europe. Running from the Swiss Alps through Germany, this vital waterway eventually flows into the North Sea. Historically important and visually stunning, the Rhine provides the perfect "Highway" from which to explore the heart of the Old World. From your cruise ship you will see the fairy-tale castles, endless vineyards and ancient cities. Legendary landmarks like the Lorelei Rock, which soars high above the river, complete a perfect picture. Travel from Amsterdam Netherlands to Basel, Switzerland in style. Along the way you gain a new perspective that only a river and land travel experience can offer. All this starting at: \$4799.00 per person (Double) for the lower deck cabins. Cabin upgrades available now. Included in Price: Round Trip Airfare from SFO, Cruise, \$550 Offer (Air Booking Bonus SFO), Air Taxes, Hotel and transfers. It is your option, if you wish, to EXTEND YOUR STAY in Zurich for an additional 2 nights or if you prefer Leave October 23, 2019 and spend 2 PRE nights in Amsterdam. Call or email us for a brochure. RSVP to Sharry & Art Dill: arthdill@comcast.net or (831) 338-3069 Please Contact us for a brochure and further information on cabin upgrades, single rates or even triple. We hope to travel with you soon. Remember First Come First Served. **CABINS FILL UP FAST.** Your refundable deposit will secure your cabin.

CULTURAL TREASURES OF..... JAPAN

October 6-19, 2019

Our tour begins in the amazing city of Tokyo. While here we will visit the Imperial Palace, Niju Bridge and Sakurada Gardens. Our climb of the famous Tokyo tower will give us a amazing view of the city from high above. Throughout this tour we will explore ancient and modern Japanese Culture firsthand. Now on to the lakeside resort of Hakone, renowned for its hot springs. Take a ride on the Hakone Ropeway, an aerial cable car, for breathtaking views of Mt. Fuji. Next we cruise the deep blue waters of Lake Ashi, with epic mountain views. Today we journey to Takayama, where visit Matsumoto Castle. Next, step back in time in the rural Edo-period town of Takayama, nestled in the Japanese Alps. We will visit a 200-year-old sake brewery and later, a 600 year old open air market along the Miyagawa River. On our travels today to Kanazawa, we visit Shirakawa-go, with its gassho-zukuri-style houses with their thatched-rooftops. Our next stay is in Kyoto where we find more than 2000 temple and shrines. We visit Kinkakuji, the Golden Pavilion, a zen temple with two floors that are completely covered in gold leaf. We will also visit the Gion district, with its narrow lanes of teahouses. We now travel to Kyoto where we board the Shinkansen bullet train for Hiroshima. On this adventure we take a ferry to Miyajima Island to see the iconic Torii gate and the Itsukushima Shrine that appears to float on water. Now we are on the bullet train back to Kyoto. Today we tour Nijo Castle and later we get a lesson in the art of Japanese stenciling. We end our tour with a special kaiseki farewell dinner and Geisha show. The cost of this amazing 14 Day tour is 6399.00 which includes hotel, air, air taxes, included tours, transfers and our roundtrip flight, out of SFO. Also included are 21 meals: 12 breakfast, 2 lunches and 7 dinners. The tour brochure is available upon request, hard copy or via e mail. Brochures will also be available at the Information meeting.

INFORMATION meeting:

*Denny's restaurant, 1140 Hillsdale Ave (at Almaden Expressway), San Jose ,Ca. 95118
October 15, 2018..... 10:00 am*

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call.

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