



The San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club Newsletter 3rd 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.qccsj.org

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There is no phone, please use email

Note:

There is a new web site. THE NAME HAS CHANGED

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.qccsj.org> To access the SJ Alumni Club web site go to <http://www.sjpc.org/sjrc/>.

IBM History

The Computing-Tabulating-Recording Company, the precursor to IBM, was founded on June 16, 1911. At its beginning, it was a merger of three manufacturing businesses, a product of the times orchestrated by the financier, Charles Flint. From these humble beginnings sprang the company that Thomas Watson Sr. would mold into a global force in technology, management and culture.

In 1911, biplanes dotted the air and Ford Model Ts appeared in the streets. Forward-thinking people wired their homes for electricity and installed their first telephones. In a Belfast shipyard, workers were finishing the hull of the biggest passenger ship ever, the *Titanic*. The booming US economy was creating a new hunger for information. There was a need to keep track, to understand and to inform.

Into that milieu stepped financier Charles Ranlett Flint. He worked out of an office on Broad Street, just off New York's Wall Street, and invested in shipbuilding, munitions, rubber, starch and the production of caramel. By the early 1900s, Flint had become friends with Theodore Roosevelt, William McKinley, Orville Wright, Andrew Carnegie and other giants of politics and business.

Starting in 1900, Flint attempted to build a number of trusts by merging several small companies to create one dominant player.

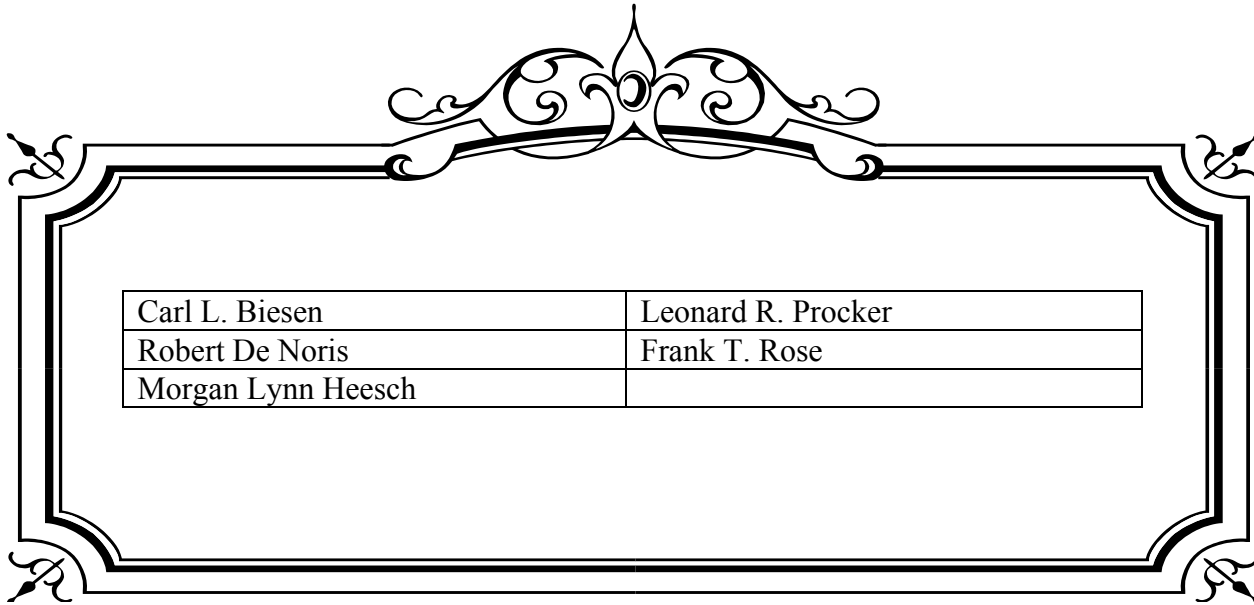
One of these trusts was in time clocks—the kind factory workers would punch on the way in and out of work. The clocks helped employers keep track of hours worked and hourly wages. Flint took a number of companies that made recording time clocks, including the time recording business of Bundy Manufacturing in Binghamton, NY, rolled all the companies into one and called it International Time Recording Co. (ITR).

Charles Flint

"I had the leisure to turn to a field which has since interested me more than any other one—that is, the consolidation of corporations, the forming of what used to be known as 'trusts.' I have been called 'the father of trusts,' although sometimes I think I have been more nearly in the relation of godfather."



In Memoriam



Carl Biesen had a 33 year IBM Career. In 1987 he was working in mechanical integration in building 5. He served in the US Army prior to joining IBM.

Bob De Noris worked several jobs at IBM and advanced to the position of lab technician in waste water treatment. He retired after serving 30 years with the company.

Lynn Heesch had a 34 year IBM career in test engineering and product test. In retirement he was living in Roseville.

Len Procker was an industrial engineer who had a number of senior level positions in IBM and ROLM plant management. He began his IBM career in New York before transferring to San Jose. He had responsibility for 3370/75 HDA manufacturing in building 50. He went to ROLM in the 1980's, then returned to Cottle Road where 1987 he was the assistant plant manager.

Frank Rose was a financial analyst who rose to the level of division controller during his 35 year IBM career. He also taught during this time and was an Adjunct Professor at Santa Clara University for over 35 years.

Shortest list ever!

UP Coming Events 2019-2020

These are **Alumni Club** events which QCC members are welcome to attend.
Page numbers refer to pages in the Alumni Newsletter.

For more info please go to their site at <http://www.sjpc.org/sjrc/>

Date	Activity	Page	Contact	Phone
July 9, 2019	IBM PC Club—Artificial Intelligence	2	Walt Cole	408-674-1401
July 18, 2019	IBM Alumni Club Board meeting	2	Bernie Coullahan	408-656-2907
July 30, 2019	IBM Alumni Club Picnic	1	Bill Bartz	408-971-8928
Aug 6-8, 2019	Hot August Nights, Reno	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Sep 14, 2019	Guide Dogs for the Blind	7	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Oct 6-19, 2019	Cultural Treasures of Japan	4	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Oct 8, 2019	Jackson Rancheria Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Oct 23-Nov 1, 2019	Amsterdam-Zurich Rhine/Moselle River Cruise	5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Nov 7, 2019	Sherlock Holmes Murder Mystery , Jackson	7	Sandy Suekawa	408-316-0731
Dec 2, 2019	Poinsettias, Cheese & Chocolate	7	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Dec 3, 2019	IBM Alumni Club Holiday Party	1	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Jan 7, 2020	Graton Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Feb 12-19, 2020	Iceland's Magical Northern Lights	6	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Mar 3, 2020	River Rock Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Apr 10-27, 2020	Magical China	6	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
May 3-5, 2020	Reno: Circus Circus, Pepper Mills, Atlantis	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
July 7, 2020	Table Mountain Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Sep 1, 2020	Cache Creek Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314
Sep 16–28, 2020	OBERAMMERGAU Passion Play, Switzerland, Alpine countries	5	Bob Martinez	408-835-3393
Nov 3, 2020	Thunder Valley Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314

Magical China a Wondrous Adventure

Experience the mysteries of this ancient culture and immerse yourself in its amazing breathtaking country
 May 2020 - 16 days (exact date tbd)

Fly first to Beijing and spend two nights exploring the Forbidden City the imperial place for China from the Ming Dynasty to the end of the Qing Dynasty, a period of 500 years, climb the Great Wall of China and explore the Summer Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Stroll through iconic Tiananmen Square. Next day take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the traditional alleys of Beijing. Drive past the Olympic Village and enjoy our Welcoming Peking Duck Dinner. The following day we will fly to the ancient city of Xian where the legendary Silk Road comes to an end. While in Xian we will explore the incredible excavation site of the Terracotta Warriors, a vast clay army of 8,000 soldiers created to guard China's first Emperor in the afterlife. Later we will walk the Ancient City Wall of Xian. We will have two nights in Xian. On to Yichang to board our ship for a 4 night cruise up the Yangtze River. Begin your day with a tai chi lesson as we sail the dramatic Xiling Gorge the longest section of the Three Gorges. Discover the state-of-the-art site; The Three Gorges Dam. Next day we will enjoy a remote ride in Pea Boats up the Shennv Stream. Return to our ship as we sail the Wu Gorge with its 12 forest-covered peaks. On to the dramatic cliffs that surround the Qutang Gorge. We will arrive at Shibaozhai (Precious Stone Fortress) with its 9 story red pagoda, at the top a picture perfect view of the river and surrounding countryside. Disembark in the mountain city of Chongqing and travel to Chengdu. The teahouse culture and leisurely lifestyle makes this city so captivating. In Chengdu we will visit the Giant Panda Breeding Research Base. On to Shanghai. We will take the super-fast Maglev train into central Shanghai and that evening be amazed at a Chinese acrobatics show. The next day we will explore Old Town, visit the magnificent Shanghai Museum. Explore the "Bund" which runs along the Huangpu River. You will have the opportunity of POST NIGHT addition to Hong Kong with its awe-inspiring skyline. Explore the famous Stanley Market and seaside village bazaar, visit Aberdeen Fishing Village. On to Macau the "Vegas of China". We are Still finalizing price for the basic trip and the Post Trip. Should have final costs available by February 2019. Estimate pricing for the basic 16 day tour should be around \$5500. That would include all flights including internal flights, trip insurance, China Visa costs. More later on pricing for the Post Trip to Hong Kong. Please contact us NOW with your interest as we only have 20 seats available for this amazing trip.

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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 mountains 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.

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

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