



The San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club Newsletter 4th 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

Email: qccsj@comcast.net

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

First Quarter Century Club



Down through the years IBM's Quarter Century Club has honored employees who have attained 25 years of service with the company.

The very first gathering of the Quarter Century Club took place on June 21, 1924 in Atlantic City, N.J. Some 42 IBMers joined the Club as charter members that day, including 15 men with 30 or more years in IBM and its predecessor companies. First in seniority was Otto E. Braitmayer, with 35 years of service, who had been vice president of the Tabulating Machine Company.

In Memoriam

Carl John Burchfiel	Charles R. Lanzi
Marvin E. Burkhart	Ralph E. Pickett, Jr.
Dwight Buzick	Lothar R. Schicker
Robert L. Caldwell	Carroll J. Skow
John M. Fish	Roy Morgan Smith

Carl Burchfiel worked in production control in various specialties and was a production control manager. He was living in Burney.

Marv Burkhart worked in production control and site resource planning.

Dwight Buzick worked as an engineer developing and testing software for disk drives. He worked in test engineering on disk packs in building 100 and in various other locations. He later moved to Santa Teresa/Silicon Valley lab.

Bob Caldwell a variety of assignments during his 35 year IBM career, including head test engineering, process chemical engineering, and component procurement engineering.

John Fish worked in the development lab where a major assignment was in storage control engineering in the group which developed the 3880 control unit. John had been living in Stockton.

Chuck Lanzi began his 46 year career as a customer engineer in Los Angeles. He transferred to San Jose in the mid 1970's where the majority of his assignments from then on were in RAS (reliability, availability and servicability). He worked on the MD

maintenance device and later developed a specialty of working directly with field support people on difficult customer problems. Chuck achieved the high level of Distinguished Engineer. Before IBM he was a technician in the US Navy.

Ralph Pickett began his IBM career as an applied science salesman in Hartford, Conn. He later was on the staff of the executive development department at Sands Point, NY. He was an assistant to the President of IBM. In San Jose he worked in financial planning and product planning. He was a technician in the US Navy in World War II.

Lothar Schicker spent much of his IBM career in various aspects of quality assurance and manufacturing process technology.

Carroll Skow's IBM career in marketing took him from Southern California to Fort Worth to Los Angeles to Seattle to San Jose. He was in management and especially enjoyed being an instructor. In San Jose he was an instructor in management development. From 1985-1987 he had an assignment in Hong Kong. Prior to IBM Carroll served in the US Coast Guard.

Roy Smith had a variety of assignments in the area of advanced planning for future lab projects

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
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	—	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
Oct 17-29, 2020	Portugal and its islands: the Azores 	5	Art & Sharry Dill	831-338-3069
Nov 3, 2020	Thunder Valley Indian Casino	4	Topsy Thompson	408-377-4314

Portugal and Its islands; the Azores – how romantic is that!! October 17 – 29th, 2020 (13 days)

Begin this amazing trip in Lisbon, Portugal with its medieval towns and coastal villages, regional wines and cuisine and folkloric entertainment. Immerse in the UNESCO World Heritage sites; Jeronimo's Monastery, Monument to the Discoveries and the Impressive; Tower of Belem, Explore the town of Sintra (UNESCO) the summer residence of Portuguese Kings for 6 centuries. Continue to Portugal's Riviera with visits to Cascais and Estoril and indulge in Portuguese cuisine and wine while local artists perform the traditional Fado. Travel to the Silver Coast of sleepy villages of white washed houses and vineyards guarded by hill top castles. Then Fly off to the Azores, the incredible archipelago with its year-round springtime temperatures. The Azores are often referred to as the Hawaii of the Atlantic. They are the Ultimate Islands. Soaring mountains, and rich valleys and lakes resting in ancient craters, hot springs, fumaroles and thermal fountains. First is St. Michaels, with beautiful vistas of the mystical Lagoa do Fogo (Fire Lake). Stroll through Terra Nostra Botanical Park and a wonderful Pineapple plantation. Have lunch stewed in the heat of the volcanic earth. Explore a Tea plantation and then chose to take an optional tour to swim with the dolphins or take a whale and dolphin watching boat trip. Or just kayak and hike around Sete Cidades. There will be an interactive cooking demonstration and finish the evening with an incredible dinner. Then journey on to the twin lakes of the Seven Cities; nestled inside a volcanic crater; One lake Blue; reflecting the sky and the other lake Green; reflecting the ground. See the famous waterfalls of Ribeira dos Caldeiros. Visit a family owned Liqueur shop to taste the local liquors . We then fly to Madeira the "Pearl of the Atlantic". Enjoy Subtropical climate, majestic mountains and volcanic caves. See 15th century cathedral and Colonial mansions. Entertainment of Folk dancers and music with dinner cooked over an open fire. On our visit to Camara de Lobos we will pass banana plantations and vineyards with a stop in Sao Vicente with dramatic views of the coast. Take some free time for a swim in the natural volcanic pools of the quant fishing village of Porto Moniz. With yet another visit to the charming towns of Camacha and Pico do Arieiro and a visit to a family owned embroidery shop and sample some Madeira wine. Conclude our marvelous trip with a flight back to the energy of Lisbon to bid farewell to Portugal with a farewell dinner.

This is a **Leisure Stay tour**; Un-pack only 3 times the whole trip! Book now and save \$100.00 per person: Double \$4699.00, Single \$5,499.00, Triple \$4669.00

Sharry and Art Dill (831) 338-3069 or email; arthatdill@comcast.net Trip Presentation for Portugal/Azores on November 14th, 2019 at 2:00 pm, at a private home; 10132 Deeprose Pl, Cupertino, Ca. 95014 **Please contact Sharry and Art Dill**

Iceland's Magical Northern Lights February 12 – 19, 2020



8 Days • 11 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Reykjavik, Northern Lights Cruise, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Geysir, Gullfoss, Vik, Seljalandsfoss, Skogar Folk Museum, Skógafoss, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Skaftafell National Park, Vatnajökull Glacier, Lava Exhibition Center, Blue Lagoon

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Day 1 Overnight Flight
Day 2 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
Days 3 – 5 Hotel Dyrholaey, Vik
Days 6, 7 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

For more information contact

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