



The San Jose IBM Quarter Century Club Newsletter 3rd Quarter 2020

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A Message from the President

Joe Lucchesi

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

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People You Might Know who spoke at IBM'S Digital Event Experience May 5th and 6th



Amal Clooney

Barrister, Doughty Street Chambers

author of a forthcoming book titled 'The Right to a Fair Trial in InterAmal Clooney is a barrister who specializes in international law and human rights. Through international courts, she frequently represents political prisoners, journalists and victims of mass atrocities.

Ms Clooney served as a Sr. Advisor to Kofi Annan. She was appointed to the UK's panel of experts on combatting sexual violence and to a panel on public international law. She was also appointed as the UK's Special Envoy for Media Freedom by the UK Foreign Secretary and she serves as vice-chair of a High-Level Panel of Legal Experts on Media Freedom. Ms Clooney is a Visiting Professor at Columbia Law School, where she co-teaches the Human Rights course, and she is co-national Law' to be published in 2020.

In 2016 she and her husband, George, established the Clooney Foundation for Justice to advance justice in courtrooms, classrooms and communities around the world.



Ginni Rometty is Executive Chairman of IBM. She was previously Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer.

During her tenure she made bold changes to reposition IBM for the future, investing in high value segments of the IT market and optimizing the company's portfolio. Under Ginni's leadership, IBM built out key capabilities in hybrid cloud, security, quantum computing, industry expertise, and data and AI.

Ginni also established IBM as the model of responsible stewardship in the digital age. She was the industry's leading voice on technology ethics and data stewardship, working to safely usher new technologies into society. She enabled people of diverse backgrounds and education levels to participate in the digital economy by building talent, skills and opportunity for disadvantaged populations. IBM also achieved record results in diversity and inclusion under Ginni's leadership.

Ginni held a series of leadership positions across IBM and led the successful integration of PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting, creating a global team of more than 100,000 business consultants and services experts.

In memory of our departed fellow IBMers,
May they rest in peace

Al Barsten worked in finance in the lab and at the division level. He was manager of financial services in the lab in the 1960s, was controller at ASDD in the Los Gatos lab and later was division controller. In retirement he was living in Nevada City, CA but moved back to the Bay Area in 2015.

Ron Blake had a 33 year IBM career as a software developer and architect. He worked mostly in San Jose but had a two year assignment in Hursley in the UK. He had served in the US Air Force where he was trained as a linguist in the Vietnamese language.

Chuck Hope worked at IBM San Jose for 30 years, much of this time in a Quality Assurance group called Product Measurement and Analysis, which was a detailed audit of products as shipped from IBM San Jose.

Bill Kassis worked in manufacturing, mostly test engineering and also in the lab. He interrupted his IBM career with a leave of absence to teach at Bethany University.

Larry Luna worked in site reproduction services where he was the department technician and team lead. He later served on a team which oversaw the placement and support of the many self-service copiers which were located around the plant site. He had served in the US Army in the airborne infantry.

Clint Snyder was a chemist who worked in Armonk and in San Jose research. His research specialty was printing technology, specifically photo lithography and ink jet. He held a number of patents generated during his IBM career, notably including ink formulation for ink jet printers.

If you know of SJ Quarter Century members who have past away please forward the info to Dave Bennet at kvxw89a@prodigy.net

The page with a summary of events is no longer being published by the Alumni Club so here are the contacts for your info

Here are the Travel and Golf contacts.

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Krazy Kampers

We are a group of IBM Alumni called the Krazy Kampers. The club has been around for over 20 years. We invite other IBM Alumni who like camping to learn about and join us on our fun campouts. There is one almost every month

TBD

Note from Bob Martinez

Hi everyone. I wanted to write a note to you to say hello and that I hope you are all well. It has been awhile since we connected. As I am sure you all know, that all our club related tours for 2020 have been cancelled. I really miss not seeing you all and traveling together.

Here is what I am planning for next year, assuming we will be able to travel again. I plan to offer a 'Netherlands, Belgium & France tour in Sept. 2021, that takes in Paris & Reims France, Bruges Belgium, and Amsterdam'. I did this tour years ago and loved it.

I also plan to do a tour to Egypt in either late 2021 or 1st Qtr 2022. Future planned tours are Morocco, Sicily/Malta and/or Ireland.

The planned date for the 'Netherlands' tour is September 4, 2021. I will get back to you once I set up the date and place for the Netherlands 'Information meeting'.

Take good care of your self and stay safe.

bobloves2travel@yahoo.com

Portugal and Its islands; the Azores – how romantic is that!!

October 9– 21st, 2021 (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 Uitimate 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 ibeira dos Caldeiroes. Visit a family owned Liqueur shop to taste the local liquers. 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 dramaRc 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 Includes: R/T air from SFO, Air taxes, Fees, Surcharges, Hotel + Transfers. 18 meals. Home Town pickup. Not included in the price is: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$315.00 per person. Additional rate of: Business Class Air for \$3,990.00.

This is a first come first serve tour. Your deposit of \$500.00 pp will hold your seat.

Contact Sherry and Art Dill, arthdill@comcast.net for brochures and Trip Presentation information. (831) 338-3069 home (408) 828-9845 cell number - Text messages always welcome