



## Upcoming Events:

**Tuesday, April 17, 2pm: Walking tour of Boca Raton Hotel & Resort** - This 1½ hour guided walking tour of the historic Boca Raton Resort & Club features highlights, including the story of Addison Mizner, his architectural inspiration, and a look at the hotel's evolution since the 1920s. Attendance to this tour is likely closed at this writing, however, we will likely be returning in the future and be advised that the Boca Raton Historical Society (BRHS) will continue to offer this tour periodically. If interested, please contact BRHS at 561-395-6766 ext. 101. For more information on the tour, see the BRHS website at: [http://www.bocahistory.org/tour/tour\\_hotel.asp](http://www.bocahistory.org/tour/tour_hotel.asp),

**Friday, April 20: 2:30pm: IBM Boca History (Continued)** A continuation of the February 13 meeting. *Pete Martinez* will again continue the open discussion of IBM's activities and accomplishments through the years at the Boca Raton site, including products such as System 3, System/7, Maritime, Series/1, IBM PC and Related Products, Robotics, Manufacturing and Automotive Systems, SEDAB, Fort Knox, OS/2, Internet Division, Special Needs Products, Speech Systems, Project Checkmate, LA Grid, etc. He also will discuss IBM's huge impact on the community past and present (including the work of our retirees). In *Pete's* words, "we will be continuing our trip through memory lane where we would once again bring up all of these products and ask the audience if anyone had worked on these and if they could tell a short story. This will continue our structured navigation through IBM history." The meeting will be held in Boca Raton at Sugar Sand Park, starting at 2:30PM, in the Maple Room. Light refreshments will be provided by IBMSFQCCAA.

**Tuesday, May 8, 5-7pm: Meet 'n' Greet at Duffy's Sports Grill, 1750 S. Federal Highway, Delray Beach, FL** - Meet for cocktails and dinner with IBMSFQCCAA members, spouses and friends. Light refreshments will be provided by IBMSFQCCAA.

**Thursday, June 14 11:30am: Lunch at Millers Ale House, 1200 Yamato Rd.** Quarterly IBMSFQCCAA lunch.

**Wednesday, June 20 5:30-7:30pm: Meet 'n' Greet - Blue Martini, Town Center Mall, Boca Raton.** Meet for cocktails and dinner with IBMSFQCCAA members, spouses and friends.

## Recent Social Activities

**January 25: IBM System/7 and Series/1 Alumni Luncheon:** ([Photos on pages 7 & 8](#)) This luncheon was organized by IBMSFQCCAA member *Vic Mazza*, who was visiting from Atlanta. While in town, *Vic* decided to invite some of his "IBM Boca friends" to get together at *Duffy's* to discuss their experiences and what they have been doing since retiring from IBM. More than 30 friends showed up! After ordering lunch, we went around the room and each attendee introduced him(her)self and talked briefly about life at IBM and beyond. Following the meal, *Vic* brought out a celebration cake, and slices were served to all. It was a great event, and we really appreciate *Vic Mazza's* efforts in making this fun get-together happen.

**February 13: History of IBM Boca Raton as told by its Innovators:** ([Photos on Page 7](#)) Approximately 80 members and guests attended this meeting, which was held in the Maple Room at Sugar Sand Park. *Pete Martinez* led an open discussion of IBM's activities and accomplishments through the years at the Boca Raton site, including products such as System/3, System/7, Maritime, Series/1, IBM PC and Related Products, Robotics, Manufacturing and Automotive Systems, SEDAB, Fort Knox, OS/2, Internet Division, Special Needs Products, Speech Systems, Project Checkmate, LA Grid, etc. *Pete* also discussed IBM's huge impact on the community past and present (including the work of our retirees). As *Pete* went through each area of Boca Raton history, attendees in the audience stood up and related their unique experiences with the hardware and software products that were being discussed. The meeting went so well, and the experiences were so interesting, that we never took a break. Instead, breaks were taken individually as needed and the discussion continued until the allotted time was exhausted. We have scheduled another "IBM Boca History" meeting for April 20 to continue the discussion.

**March 6: Big Band Night Dinner and Dance at Benvenuto in Boynton Beach:** The evening featured "The Fusion Machine 17-Piece Swing Band." *Benvenuto* offered a three course dinner with wine and show for \$55 per person, inclusive. According to *Jud McCarthy*, "We had 20 very pleased attendees. Food good, music good, service good and all the wine you could drink. Everything went well, and all had a great time!"

**March 14: IBMSFQCCAA Lunch at Millers Ale House on Yamato Road:** ([Photo on page 8](#)) Approximately 55 IBMSFQCCAA members and guests attended the March quarterly lunch. A surprise attendee was Captain *Ed Marill*, who happened to be passing through Boca the day of the event. For more on what *Ed* and his wife *Daisy* are now doing, see the Where Are They Now section, which begins on page 3.

**March 17: St Patrick's Day Parade, Delray Beach:** ([Photo on page 8](#)) IBMSFQCCAA was again represented this year in the annual St Patrick's Day parade by *Jud McCarthy* and family in their 1963



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Chevy Nova SS Convertible. Thanks to *Larry Salerno* and his son, preparations were set in place and the parade got under way in style. Delray Beach boasts that this parade is one of the largest and most viewed St Patrick's Day parades in the world. Firemen teams and their equipment come from all over the US and Canada to participate.

**March 17: Coastmen Barbershop Chorus, Boynton Beach:** ([Photos on Page 8](#)) Eight IBMSFQCCA members and guests attended the concert presented by the Coastmen Chorus, a part of the Barbershop Harmony Society, formerly known as the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Singing in America, Inc. SPEBSQSA. In addition to the Coastmen, there were performances by two award-winning guest quartets and three quartets from the Chorus.

**March 22: PC History Presentation by Dr. Dave Bradley in Ft. Myers:** ([Photo on page 8](#)) IBMSFQCCA member *Dr. David J. Bradley* conducted a presentation on the History of the Personal Computer. The late morning presentation took place at the Southwest Florida Museum of History in Ft Myers, FL. The no-charge event was cosponsored by the IBM Tampa Bay Retirees Club, the South West Florida Historical Society and IBMSFQCCA. The 30+ attendees were made up of representatives from the three co-sponsoring groups. Arriving attendees were welcome to tour the Southwest Florida Museum of History, or cover it after the presentation. The museum content includes, but is not limited to, displays of covering the early Florida Cracker days and especially focuses on the WW 2 period when Ft Myers had two US Army Air Force bases. Following the presentation, attendees had wings, soft drinks and other snacks at a nearby restaurant. A surprise attendee was *Robin Hood* and his wife who recently moved to Bradenton, FL. Robin is a founding member of IBMSFQCCA.

**March 28: UDT-SEAL Museum Tour, Fort Pierce:** ([Photos on page 8](#)) More than 40 IBMSFQCCA members and guests gathered at the National Navy UDT-SEAL (Underwater Demolition Team-SEa Air Land) Museum and Memorial in Fort Pierce for a guided tour of the facility. Members from as far away as Hollywood made the trip. With the assistance of local host *Leonard Kiel*, IBMSFQCCA members and guests obtained a 25% discount off of the Museum entrance fee. After an introductory presentation and tour by one of the Museum staff, attendees were able to go back through the Museum for a closer look at the many exhibits both inside and outside the building. Twenty attendees then took advantage of our invitation to meet at a nearby restaurant for wings, soft drinks and other snacks.

**April 3: PC History Presentation by Dr. Dave Bradley in West Palm Beach:** Approximately 35 people attended this

## Where Are They Now?

**Where is Captain Ed Marill?** After leaving IBM in 1992, I relocated to Silicon Valley, working for former Boca IBMer *Maynard Webb* at Quantum Corporation, a very successful medium-sized disk drive/storage company.

Shortly after my arrival at Quantum, Maynard left, eventually becoming COO at eBay under Meg Whitman, who is HP's new CEO. *Maynard* gave me the opportunity to continue my professional career in the most dynamic, challenging hi-tech region in the country, and for this I will always be grateful.



While I was the IT executive at Quantum, we implemented a risky, very expensive conversion to Oracle's newly-developed soup-to-nuts world-wide enterprise management system. Also, as Acting VP of IT at Quantum, I worked closely with Palm, Inc., and Research in Motion, to roll out the innovative Palm Pilot and the early Blackberry devices to Quantum's executive team.

Ever since I used my first Casio Personal Digital Assistant while at IBM, I became fascinated with the concept and its possibilities. Now I am an avid user of the revolutionary iPhone and iPad devices. The iPhone is the kind of product we dreamed about at IBM, while we worked jointly with Bell South in Boca to develop SIMON, an early version of an intelligent phone.

While living and working in the Bay Area (in Cupertino, very near Apple HQ), Daisy and I enjoyed exploring this beautiful area. *Daisy* worked at IBM's Santa Teresa Lab, south of San Jose. We logged 30,000 miles on our Harley-style motorcycle, exploring Northern California on weekends, staying at bed and breakfasts. We covered the California coast up into Oregon, south to San Luis Obispo and Saint Simeon, and often riding inland to Lake Tahoe and Yosemite National Park.

We had left our 44' sailboat SIESTA in dry storage in the Florida Keys, expecting to return to Florida as soon as our IBM retirement started at 55. But our professional and personal lives turned for the better, so we decided to stay in California until 2001. In 1997, we even had our sailboat transported over land to the Bay Area.

Sailing in San Francisco Bay was a hoot. We were out on the boat every weekend, and became members of the Sausalito Yacht Club. There was a free concert next to the club every Friday night, within earshot of our boat anchored nearby. The motorcycle usage reverted back to just commuting to work in gridlock traffic, and general transportation.

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**Activities Photos**



S/7-S/1 Lunch - Vic Mazza



S/7-S/1 Lunch - L to R: Paul Reder, Don Heim, Russ Rogers, Glenn Anderson, Al Jacobson, Larry Rojas



S/7-S/1 Lunch - L to R: Paul Reder, Right: John Vozenilek, Jim McMillan, Russ Rinaldi, Laura Rose



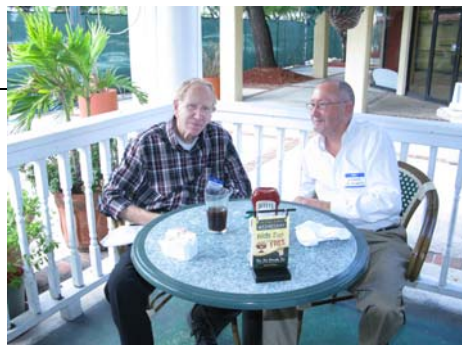
S/7-S/1 Lunch - Tom Krieger, Jud McCarthy



S/7-S/1 Lunch - L to R: Vic Mazza, John Jenny, Pat Loomis, Bryan Mayo, Bill Pensiero, John Ryan, Nick Smiciklas



S/7-S/1 Lunch - L to R: John Jenny, Pat Loomis, Bryan Mayo, Bill Pensiero, Fore-ground: Ken Zubay



S/7-S/1 Lunch - Chuck White, Lamar Kitchens



S/7-S/1 Lunch - Les Mulvania, John Jenny



S/7-S/1 Lunch - Reunion Cake



IBM History Attendees



IBM History - Jud McCarthy



IBM History - Pet Martinez



**Activities Photos (Continued)**



IBM History - Angelo Gasperri



IBM History - Russ Rogers



IBM History - Frank Humphreys



IBM History - Bob Dornblaser



Millers Ale House Lunch - Ed Gull, John Vozenilek, Russ Rinaldi, Ed Marill



St. Patrick's Day - Jud McCarthy and Family in the Delray Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade



UDT-SEAL Museum



UDT-SEAL Museum - Bill Montgomery



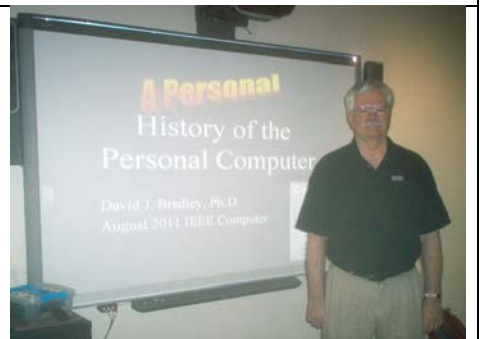
UDT-SEAL Museum - Bill Montgomery guest L. Tranberg



Coastmen Chorus



Coastmen Chorus Quartet



PC History - Dr. Dave Bradley