

IBM TUCSON QCC NEWSLETTER

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Greetings

From the President

Upcoming

Our next three social events are "Golf at Santa Rita" on September 27, and our "Family BBQ at Udall Park" on October 11, and our December yearend "Holiday Dinner Dance". We have more details included in this newsletter.

Holiday Event

Plan to join us at our holiday dinner/dance at the Radisson Hotel, scheduled for December 13. This event is sponsored and promoted by the Tucson QCC. Last year's event was great and provided an excellent dinner followed by a night of dancing enjoyment. If you have never attended this event and would like to try it, contact any of our officers and we will make room for you at our table.

QCC Inductees

We are volunteering to appear at QCC induction events and present a certificate and a copy of the current newsletter. Our attendance, by one of our officers, is by invitation only. We contact the sponsoring manager and accede to the wishes of the inductee.

Officer Elections

Included in this newsletter are ballots for next year's officers. We are able to operate our club only through volunteers. All the current officer positions are open for new candidates. If you would like to become involved, please contact any of our current officers so that we can place your name on the ballot.

Juan Perez



Message from the Treasurer

Let me start by thanking all of you who have sent in your dues. The \$5 annual donations are what keep our finances in good shape. In our last Newsletter I mentioned we had an IBM user ID for the QCC. While that was correct, the ID didn't allow email from

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2008 Activity Calendar

September 27 Golf Event at Santa Rita
October 11 Family BBQ at Udall Park
December 13 Dinner/Dance Holiday Event

2009 Activity Calendar

April Family BBQ at Udall Park
April/May Golf Event at Santa Rita
June Gaslight Theater
September Fajitas 'n' Margaritas
October BBQ
November Golf
December Dinner/Dance Holiday Event

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outside the IBM firewall. That has been corrected, and we are ready to put the ID to use. Again, if you'd prefer to receive email notification when the Newsletter is available and/or reminders of all the QCC activities, please send a note to this email address: tucqcc@us.ibm.com.

Frank Saavedra, QCC Treasurer
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In Memoriam

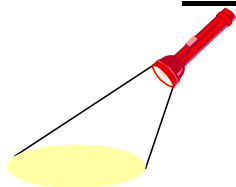
May: Jerry VanHeeswyk

New QCC Inductees

June	August
Matt Kalos	Andrew Gellai
Bruce McNutt	Glen Jaquette
Mary Ramsey	Tom Pringle
Calvin Tabata	James Springer
July	Frank Thompson

Please let us know if we missed someone, thanks.
 Brandon Wong 799-4043 b2bwong@us.ibm.com

RECENT EVENTS



June 20th Gaslight Theatre Show

We had 36 QCC members and their families enjoy another Gaslight Theater outing. As is usual, the show "Beach Blanket Be-Bop" was enjoyed by all.

Your club is planning to have another Gaslight Theater outing in June of 2009, so watch the January 2009 Newsletter for details.

Fred Maier

UPCOMING EVENTS



Golf - Santa Rita September 27

Our next golf event will be on **September 27**, at 7:30 AM, shotgun start, "**orange ball**" scramble. Two scores will be marked, one for the three golfers, and one for the lone golfer playing the "orange ball". The "orange ball" will rotate among the players for each hole. At the end, we will count both scores to determine the winning team.

In order to offer golf, prizes, and lunch for \$42, we need a minimum of 60 golfers or 15 foursomes. I will send out an email to all golfers that I have on my **email** distribution list. I would like to ask you to help me update this list so that I can reach as many possible players. Also, some people who would like to play may not be on the QCC mailing list. **QCC members may invite a guest to play with their foursome.**

Make your check (**\$42**) payable to: **Tucson QCC** and mail to me at 731 E. Montgomery Ave, Corona de Tucson, AZ 85641. I will be posting the team sign-ups on our website under, "Updates".

Juan Perez

BBQ Outing at Udall Park on October 11

Does freshly cooked BBQ burger sound good? Or a hot dog right off the grill? How about some unique side dishes prepared by our QCC members?

Potluck time again for our QCC members, **families and guests!** Again, we would like to especially invite QCC members with kids or grandkids. In addition to the great food menu, we plan to have other fun activities. Tony Romero, once again has offered to provide a jumping castle for our young folks to enjoy. We also plan to have the "washer toss" game.

As always, the chefs will have the food ready for you to enjoy and we would like for you to **share** one of your favorite dishes from your kitchen for everyone to enjoy. **This event starts at 1:00 PM and will end at 6:00 PM ; the BBQ grill will start**

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at 2 PM. We will be using Ramada # 6. Please send us your email address and we will remind you of this event.

Tony Romero tucqcc@us.ibm.com

December Christmas Holiday Dinner/Dance

We are sponsoring a holiday and dinner dance once again on Saturday, December 13 at the Radisson Hotel, 6555 E. Speedway.

We will be working on the dinner and music venue, and hope to feature a variety of oldies, tex-mex, and rock type of music. Last year's event was a great success. This is normally a coat and tie event, but casual is ok too. For more information on prices, menu, music, and such, please contact **Frank Saavedra**.

We will be forming a committee to help with all the logistics and sales that is required to make this a huge success. If you would like to be involved, please contact **Tony Romero or Juan Perez**.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Ben Fisher, former Service Planning Rep



Our Tucson QCC member in this issue's **Member Spotlight** is Ben Fisher. Ben's last work assignment at IBM Tucson was in 1999. He has since retired and is living in Corona de Tucson. Ben keeps busy by doing a variety of hobbies. He is an amateur radio operator, a train collector, and enjoys photography. Ben is also a docent (educator) for the Pima Air Museum. Combining

his photography talents with this endeavor, Ben has developed historical photos of the aircraft at the museum and placed them on CD's.

Ben recently traveled to Geneva, NY, to attend the annual Sampson Air Force Veterans Association reunion. Here is the website for this organization: <http://www.sampsonvets.com/>

Another unique hobby that Ben has is walking the golf course at Santa Rita. Not only is this good exercise for Ben, but along the way, he picks up all the aluminum cans discarded by the day's golfers. He donates these cans to the Arizona University Medical Library, and IBM provides a matching grant for the value of this donation.

Something to Remember

Humor **Having Mom Over For Dinner**
(You don't even have to be a mother to enjoy this one...)

Brian invited his mother over for dinner. During the course of the meal, Brian's mother couldn't help but notice how beautiful Brian's roommate, Jennifer, was. Brian's Mom had long been suspicious of a relationship between Brian and Jennifer, and this had only made her more curious.

Over the course of the evening, while watching the two interact, she started to wonder if there was more between Brian and Jennifer than met the eye. Reading his mom's thoughts, Brian volunteered, 'I know what you must be thinking, but I assure you Jennifer and I are just roommates.'

About a week later, Jennifer came to Brian saying, 'Ever since your mother came to dinner, I've been unable to find the beautiful silver gravy ladle. You don't suppose she took it, do you?' Brian said, 'Well, I doubt it, but I'll send her an e-mail just to be sure. So he sat down and wrote: Dear Mom, I'm not saying that you 'did' take the gravy ladle from the house, I'm not saying that you 'did not' take the gravy ladle. But the fact remains that one has been missing ever since you were here for dinner. Love, Brian

Several days later, Brian received an email back from his mother that read: Dear Son, I'm not saying that you 'do' sleep with Jennifer, I'm not saying that you 'do not' sleep with Jennifer. But the fact remains

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that if Jennifer is sleeping in her own bed, she would have found the gravy ladle by now.

BALLOT FOR YOUR 2009 CLUB OFFICERS

President Juan Perez Yes
Write in Candidate _____

Vice President Tony Romero Yes
Write in Candidate _____

Treasurer Frank Saavedra Yes
Ken Clymer* Yes
Write in Candidate _____

* *has agreed to place his/her name on the ballot to meet club by-law requirements of needing two candidates*

Secretary Brandon Wong Yes
Write in Candidate _____

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Please mark your ballots and return it no later than October 17, 2008 to:

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Tucson, AZ 85749

As an alternative to mailing your ballot, you can

- vote online by going to the QCC Web site **www.azqcc.com** or
- e-mailed your own version of the ballot to Fred Maier at fmaier@yahoo.com

Fred will be tabulating the results and the 2009 club officers results will be placed on our WEB page by October 22, 2008 and in the January 2009 Newsletter.