

I.B.E.W. RETIRED MEMBERS CLUB NO. 617

(August 2008)

Here's Joe

Our monthly meeting in August will be our customary Tuesday, the 12th starting at 1:00PM at the Union Hall. The "Lunch Bunch" will gather around 11:30AM at The Carvery (Harry's) in Foster City.

Our field trips last month were great! The ladies enjoyed their visit to the South San Francisco Historical Society and the newly restored Plymire-Schwartz House. Our tour of the Anchor Steam Brewery ended with a liberal tasting of their fine beers. We then stumbled over to Estrada's Mexican Restaurant (Est. 1917) in Colma where our group of 28 had a great lunch (more like an early dinner), just a super day!

The next adventure for the club will be a visit to "The Tank Farm". This private collection in Portola Valley, I believe, is the largest in the world. The date is Saturday, September 20th starting at 10:00AM. We will gather at the Alpine Inn and carpool to the Farm. A lunch at the Alpine Inn will follow the tour. Want to sleep in? You can still join us for lunch around 1:00PM. The size of the tour group is limited so please call Aage Moller at (650)341-5332 A.S.A.P. to sign up.

The annual Retiree Club Picnic will not be in September but will be on our regular meeting date in October, the 14th. Arrangements have been made at the La Nebbia Winery on Highway 92 just east of Half Moon Bay. There will be a wine tasting with our picnic to follow. The grapes will be harvested, the pumpkins will be in the fields and further details will be in the September newsletter. The best weather of the year on the coast should make for a great picnic!

Local Union 617 and the Electrical Industry have scheduled some special activities for August. The industry will have a solar demonstration trailer at the San Mateo County Fair from Aug. 8th until Aug. 15th. Club members can contact Mark Leach at Local 617 (650)574-4239 to be a docent for part of an afternoon M-F between 12 and 6. Passes to the Fair will be provided. The other event is a car show on August 23rd as mentioned in the Labor Paper. This is a joint charity effort sponsored by the Automotive Machinists and Local 617. Contact the IAM at (650) 341-2689 if you have the wheels to enter, otherwise stop by the Hall on 17th Ave. to say Hi!

Of course the "BIG ONE" (100 Year Party) is on the 16th of this month. This once in a lifetime celebration will be special to all the retirees since we made the contributions to our industry and community almost since Local 617 began. Rest up! It's going to be a night to remember!!

My doctor told me to start my exercise program very gradually. Today I drove past a store that sells sweatpants.

Joe

