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**NEXT MEETING – April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at  
HARRY'S HOFBRAU, 390 Saratoga Avenue  
at Stevens Creek Blvd.**

**No-host Lunch at 11:30 - Meeting at 12:30**

**FIDELITY INVESTMENTS  
SUCCESSOR TO ICMA  
PURAV PATEL, RETIREMENT  
PLANNER**

**By Jo Pugsley**



**P**urav Patel is the representative from Fidelity Investments. He has an MA from Georgia State University and is certified as a Financial Planner. Before he

started his career with Fidelity Investments, he had worked for ETrade. Mr. Patel will be sharing information with us on the contract change from ICMA to Fidelity Investments. He will conduct an informational seminar on why the change happened, when it happened, and how it will affect our investments with Fidelity. It is a big change for most of us and this is an opportunity to enlighten us with correct information. Please come with your questions and share this very important presentation.

***It's never too early to plan for RPEA meetings! If you know of a music group that would like to perform at our meeting on December 5, please contact me, Jo Pugsley at [rpeachapter31@yahoo.com](mailto:rpeachapter31@yahoo.com).***

**IN MEMORIAM:** Our deepest sympathy to the families and loved ones of Gladys Clark, Doris Clubb, Warren Cooper, L. Naomi Hilpipre, Margaret Leonard, Robert Mayers, Harvey Sharfstein, George Smith, James Sweet, Helen Williamson, Barbara Wilson, and Stella Zupanovich.

*They will truly be missed.*

**A VERY WARM WELCOME TO  
OUR NEW MEMBERS!**

**F**ollowing are the names of new members – Corazon Bautista, Jennifer Bice, Stephen Bollman, Victoria Bollman, Gwendolyn Brusca, David Campanolo, Roberstina Gaerlan, Joan Kilgore, and Kim Solomon.

***Welcome Everyone!***

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY  
INFORMATION DESK**

**T**hank you to the following members who staffed the Information Desk in March:  
Linda Baum, Mary Chaboya, Michelle Cockerille, Sara De Leon, Sue Farr, Judy Frey, Bob Hagele, Tom Heim, Vi Hill, Connie Jimenez, Roberta London, Sherrill Martinez, Kathy Miller, Alan Miramon, Mary Mitchell, Gerri Nedley, Thu Nguyen, John Avery Palmer, James Reilly, Pam Saunders, Carolyn Walsh, and Cathy Weisbrich.

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and listening to birdsong. Take a picnic or stop for lunch in downtown Gilroy or downtown Morgan Hill. Right now, the area is green and lush, the poppies are blooming, and a car trip down to our south valley makes a lovely outing.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/parkfinder/Pages/Chitactac-Adams.aspx>



## BAY AREA OLDER ADULTS

by Marianne Damon

**B**ay Area Older Adults is a charitable 501(C)-3 organization “that helps older adults improve the quality of their lives”. Their website lists a variety of activities available in the Bay Area, serving as a clearing-house for easy access to social, cultural and scientific events and outdoor activities. In addition to the ability of anyone to access this information on their website, they also have programs and events for members. Membership is open to adults aged 50 and older and includes a monthly newsletter listing all activities. Basic membership is free, and premium membership is \$25. Events include hikes and picnics, cultural events, the educational lecture series, day trips, and travel adventures. Some of these events are free to non-members and members alike (everyone just needs to register for the event). Some events have a nominal fee (for example, the upcoming Your Family Tree lecture is \$20 for non-members, \$15 for basic members, and \$10 for premium members). Day trips include transportation, an educational or cultural event, and lunch (an upcoming day trip is KQED & Culinary Tour of San Francisco).

I first learned about this organization when a friend e-mailed me with information she saw posted on Next Door for a lecture given by a NASA

program manager. I registered for the free lecture and learned that it was offered through Bay Area Older Adults. At the lecture I saw materials about various other lectures, outings and day-trips and was very impressed with the offerings. I spoke with the people there who were members, and all of them had positive experiences and good things to say about BAOA. I spoke with the founder of this organization, who has dedicated her efforts to the memory of her active, involved grandparents. I discussed what I had learned at our chapter board meeting, and we decided that this would be worthwhile information to share in our newsletter. While we do not endorse any specific group, we are aware that many of our members have been interested in day trips and cultural activities. Our Chapter, at this time, is not in a position to organize these types of events. However, this reputable organization just might be of interest to our members.

The website is: <https://www.bayareaolderadults.org/>

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**T**he picnic flyers that were sent to you with last month’s newsletter stated that the date of the picnic was Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Please note that due to the lack of availability for that date, it has been changed to June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Various due dates are shown on your new flyer enclosed with this newsletter. If any of you had sent in the money for the old date of June 27<sup>th</sup> and are unable to attend, please contact us. If we do not hear from you we will assume that the new date is fine with you and we will mark you down for the new date.

I am sure that all of you noticed that you did not get the newsletter in a timely manner. There was a problem with the printer company and so the printing was delayed and since it has to go to another company that does the addressing and mailing, the delay just got compounded. I am sorry that some of you missed Director Rey Guillen’s presentation on County benefits.

I am so sorry for your inconvenience. We try our best but we are at the mercy of events that we cannot control. Hope to see you at the next meeting.

I heard from Jo Pugsley who brings us wonderful speakers that we will have Al Darby, the RPEA Vice President. He will answer questions that you have concerning CalPERS. Save that day because I think that you would want to hear his presentation. Your Editor, Mary Mitchell

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