



REGION IV-M

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REGION IV CALENDAR:

LA's March meeting will take place on Sat, March 30th at 11am at THE WENDE MUSEUM at 10808 Culver Blvd., Culver City, CA 90230. The Wendé Museum is a museum of Cold War artifacts. We tried to hold a meeting here in January, but it was closed for renovations, so we were unable to enter. Admission is free. How communist of them! Come with us to see some nuclear-era paranoia paraphernalia. RSVP Kyle Fox on the day of with questions. Cell=213-434-4068 or kylemarvinfox@gmail.com

For LA's April meeting, we are going to experience a new VR tour. This VR adventure will take place on Saturday, April 20th. We will be meeting at Dreamscape in the WESTFIELD CENTURY CITY mall, 10250 Santa Monica Blvd, LA, CA 90067. The ticket price is \$20/person for a 40-minute VR tour. Visit www.dreamscapeimmersive.com to get an idea of what to expect. They have a 6-person maximum per tour group and we will reserve tickets in advance. **Please let me know if you are interested by 3/31 so I can get an approximate headcount and reserve tour times for our group.** 213-434-4068/kylemarvinfox@gmail.com

LA's May meeting will take place on Sunday, May 12th at the Rose Bowl Flea Market. Please contact losmaxwells@gmail.com if interested and he will arrange for a meet-up before or after for a bite.

Las Vegas will meet on Saturday, March 9th, at 11ish. Specifics TBD. For more info, please contact losmaxwells@gmail.com to express interest. El Presidente will be in town and looking for a good time.

Greater Phoenix Intertel will be meeting on Sunday, March 10th at 1:00pm at Carlsbad Tavern located at 3313 North Hayden Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251. Join the rabble for some carousing and conversation. Look out for the meeting reminder from and RSVP to david.sebesta@outlook.com

Phoenix's April meeting will be held Saturday, April 20th at 1:00p. Folks will meet at The Social Hall, 715 S McClintock Drive, Tempe, AZ 85281. Look for reminders and updates from david.sebesta@outlook.com.

San Diego will be meeting on Saturday, May 11th, location TBD. Although the location is TBD, this promises to be a fun meeting. McCleary is going to New Zealand in March and Jenn is going to Great Britain and Ireland in April...so there will be plenty of stories to share. Keep an eye out for the email reminder closer to the date.

San Diego is looking to meet more regularly, on a quarterly basis. For more info, please reach out to your Area Coordinator (AC/BC) Brett Conner. conner_b@hotmail.com



The cut-off for submissions for the next issue of Region IV-M will be the end of April. Send articles, essays, reviews, complaints, offers of service, etc., to regional director, Kyle Fox, KyleMarvinFox@gmail.com.

Region IV Internet Presence - Jenn Morris

Join our Southern California Intertel Facebook group. The goal of the page is to have better awareness of events across our groups, get ideas for new events, and have discussions with fellow southern CA members. Just go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/166192387383887/>

Letter from the Regional Director:

My message this issue is short and simple: Come join us!

It also echoes our President's message in the March Integra. Come join us this summer in Phoenix. We have several meetings in our region March through May, but also this year, we are honored to be hosting the big one—the Annual General Assembly. We would love to have a good turnout and to see our resplendent Region IV members show everyone else in Intertel why our Region continues to thrive and meet throughout the year.

Here are some details about the Annual General Assembly in Phoenix this summer.

GA chair David Sebesta has gotten us a steal at the Hampton Inn with a free airport

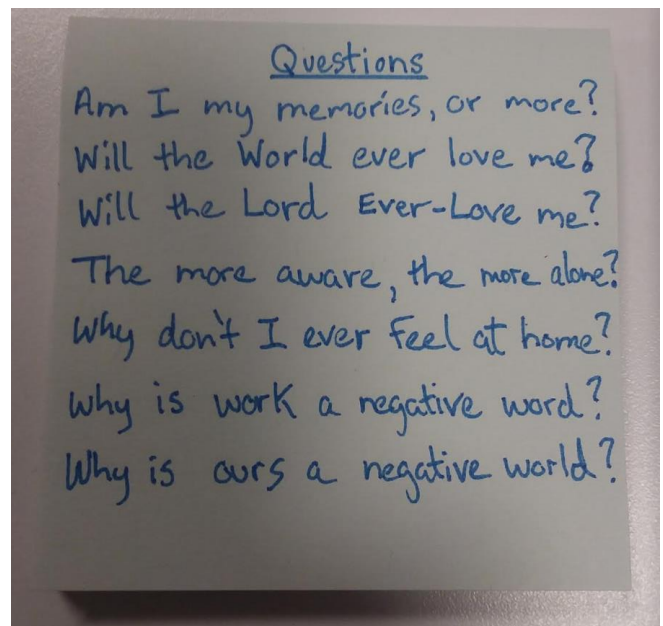
shuttle, great meeting spaces and hospitality amenities. With the help of speaker-wrangler Judy Herrmann, we also have a fantastic program of presentations scheduled.

Registration information will be listed later in this newsletter. Register prior to April 1st to avoid being mistaken for a 'fool'. If you are unable to join us this summer, please send in your proxy statement to Linda Woodhead or to kylemarvinfox@gmail.com (your regional representative) so I can more strongly represent you at this year's meeting.

Also, if any of you have any positions or ideas that you would like advocated for on your behalf, please enumerate those as well. With lots of business on this year's agenda, we can use all the input we can get!

Yours in Intertel,

Kyle Fox





MEETING REPORTS

San Diego – Brett Conner



Per usual, there were lots of laughs and interests piqued at our last gathering. Sammy's Woodfired Pizza & Grill offered some tasty pies and enjoyable hospitality. Some entertaining stories passed along included Gracie being interviewed by the local news crew at an hour she expected to be in bed when a tree fell in her neighborhood and the crew nabbed her for their man-on-the-street moment. I'm sure she came off charming...how could she not.

Rhonda shared some fun stories about counseling a married couple of 69 years (there is hope for us all!) and the backlash that can happen when you write a pro-homeschooling piece to an audience not exactly cozy to the idea.

John Maxwell had a classic dilemma... apparently necessity is the mother of invention even when it comes to creative output. The kicker of the day was McCleary's chocolate sundae provided pro bono by Sammy's for his birthday. Chocolate was everywhere is all I can say.

Our next San Diego gathering is scheduled for May 11th at a venue to be determined. This should be a fun one as McCleary is going to New Zealand in March and Jenn is going to Great Britain and Ireland in April...I'll be looking forward to hearing all about those adventures. Viva Intertel!

Los Angeles Part I – Kyle Fox



(Romanovs LtR: III, Joe Powe, Kyle Fox)

LA's Ilians attempted to meet at the Wende Museum on Saturday, January 19th, but they were closed for renovations. You could say that they froze us out, given that they are a museum of Cold War artifacts. The museum was in the process of changing their exhibits and so they are shuttered until February 10th. We did get to take a picture in front of the Berlin Wall. Well, a portion of it. Apparently, someone politely asked the wall's owner to tear it down a while ago and the owner kindly obliged. I'm not sure, we were not allowed in the museum so I'm just spit-balling here.



Plan B was to go to Tito’s Tacos, just down the street, and have some lunch and conversation. Tito’s is an LA institution and the food did not disappoint. For about \$5, you can fill up on tacos and chips. Joe talked about his experiences in Japan, and John Maxwell waxed about Paris.

Los Angeles Part II – John Maxwell

Question: What's purple, hard as a rock, and got plopped on our table multiple times over the course of our meal?

Answer: Ex-President LOU*LOU's hand cast, of course!

Ilians Fred Wilkey, Joe Powe, Kyle Fox, John Maxwell and guests Burtons and Gomez gorged themselves at Hae Ha Heng over happy hour.



A wide array of snackage occurred, with about of quarter of their menu appearing at our table. Unfortunately, the elevator at the plaza was malfunctioning, so cast and casteless (known in India as Dalits) had to trudge up two floors to get into the haughty joint. We planned out the next three outings, and Fred gave some tips on potential speakers for this summer's AGA in Phoenix. The VR tour in April sounds fascinating based on Joe's description, so make sure to contact Kyle Fox to get in on the reservation!



(See if you can spot the fun typo in the above image?)

And now, jeopardy style: Answer: Pancreatic, Stage Four.

Question: What kind of cancer does Alex Trebek have?



(Sign posted at Hae Ha Heng)

Phoenix Meeting – David Sebesta

Phoenix Intertel met on Saturday, February 9th at The Angry Crab at Indian School Road and 28th Street. It was a great venue with a great menu consisting of a wide variety of seafood options and a burger selection. Present were David Sebesta who organized the event, Larry and Carol Stubbs, John and Judy Herrman, Sharon Couch, Susan Maxwell and Steve Fullmer (who hadn't attended an event since the 80s).

As usual the discussion ranged over a wide variety of topics and there was much laughter. Folks lingered long after they finished eating. Always a sign of a good time.

Keep your eyes peeled for the next get together and remember the AGA is in Phoenix this year.

Meeting Reminder: March 10 at 1 PM - Carlsbad Tavern, 3313 North Hayden Road, Scottsdale, AZ

Area Coordinators Wanted:

Don't see your area represented by a coordinator or feel your area can use additional support? Have some spare time once every two months? If so, you too can set up local meetings. Step right up and volunteer! Send offers of service to KyleMarvinFox@gmail.com or call 602-738-0160

AREA COORDINATORS:

Ray Garra – Indio and surroundings

Give him a ring if you plan on passing through!

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FAREWELLS

WHILE WE NEED NOT GRIEVE THE PASSING OF ANY MEMBERS THIS MONTH, WE MUST NONETHELESS BID ADIEU TO OUR DIGNITY AS WE BEG FOR SUBMISSIONS. PLEASE SEND US CONTENT. PLEASE!

NEW, RELOCATED AND REINSTATED MEMBERS

A welcome to all new, relocated and reinstated members, particularly **Michael Darnaud** of San Francisco, CA; **Dr. Charles Williams** of San Diego, CA; **Charles-Ryan Barber** of Prescott, AZ; **Bali K Nelson** of San Francisco; **Hunter Bren** of Los Angeles, CA; and newly-situated **Matthew Potts** of Oceanside, CA, who comes to us from Region 2.

Testing:

Area Coordinator David Sebesta has been kind enough to provide us with a list of all locations in Region IV that do Miller Analogies Testing. For those millennials who dread yet another high stakes testing session but don't have any other test they can use to qualify for Intertel, the MAT may be their best option. If you think you know a prospective member and would like more information, contact Losmaxwells@gmail.com and I will happily provide you with your nearest MAT testing information.

ALL MEMBERS

Save our postage and send an email to Losmaxwells@gmail.com asking to be placed on my emailed newsletter list. It saves tons of time and cost in printing, postage, folding, stapling, and

labeling, and you get your newsletter before the snail-mailed masses!

Submissions are highly encouraged as they discourage the IV-M Staff from generating gibberish.

Phoenix Area Attractions

Susan L Maxwell Phoenix Arizona

For more details and driving directions, all of these sites can be easily googled.

OdySea Aquarium: Located in Scottsdale, it is the largest aquarium in the South Western United States and even the restrooms are spectacular!

Heard Museum: Located in Phoenix, it is dedicated to the advancement of American Indian Art. It has a huge collection of ancient and contemporary art and features a kachina collection, the heart of which was donated by Barry Goldwater. There are docent tours, or you can explore on your own.

Desert Botanical Garden: A representative selection of desert plants from around the globe with many pleasant pathways. Among its unusual offerings is the rarely seen boojum tree. You can take a guided tour or wander on your own with a guidebook. People from all over the world visit this site and it is fun to count the number of languages you hear.

Arizona Science Center: Located in downtown Phoenix, it currently features a fascinating and interactive exhibition of the destruction of Pompeii in addition to its excellent permanent collection.

Old Town Scottsdale: So called because even through the 1970s riders were still hitching their horses to the posts in front of the shops. There are many interesting boutiques and restaurants in the area which can be explored at leisure on foot and which connects to:

Scottsdale Waterfront: This is another collection of specialty stores and restaurants easily browsed on foot.

Musical Instrument Museum: Located in north Phoenix, it is the largest museum of its kind in the world and is designed to be hands on and interactive. There are usually informal performances and you are guaranteed to see instruments which will be entirely new to you.

Phoenix Zoo: A large zoo containing 3000 animals and dedicated to the preservation of endangered species. It has a large Arizona Wildlife exhibition featuring easy viewing of a wide variety of species.

Phoenix Art Museum: Located in downtown Phoenix it is now featuring an exhibition of the work of Iris van Herpen, Transforming Fashion. Docent tours are available.

Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park: Travel east on Route 60 to Superior, AZ to find 392 acres of enchanting plant life. Tours are available or wander on your own.

Tombstone, AZ: Yup, the very one with the OK corral. It's worth a day trip to the famous town with many entertaining features. You will be standing on the very ground once traversed by Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday—and remember Arizona is an open carry state!

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Intertel AGA
Phoenix, Arizona
June 26 - 30, 2019

Registration fee includes hospitality room food and drinks, games, speakers, and Saturday banquet.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Registration: \$80.00 through March 31, 2019
\$90.00 through May 31, 2019
\$95.00 on or after June 1, 2019 \$ _____

Payment: Check enclosed VISA / MasterCard Online

Name on Card _____

Card Number: _____

Exp. Date ____/____ Security Code _____

Arrival Date (circle one) Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Food restrictions or allergies _____

Preferred beverage(s) _____

Preferred snack(s) _____

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