



# Newsletter

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### Dinner Details

**Date:** Wed., Nov. 16, 2005

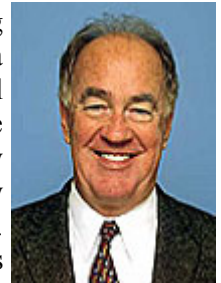
**Place:** Los Altos Golf and Country Club

**Time:** 6:15—9:00 pm

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## Introduction

We mark this last newsletter of 2005 with the sad news of the passing of our longtime member and friend, Michael McNeilly. Mike was a Silicon Valley pioneer with more than 30 years of entrepreneurial experience. His career began at age 25 when he co-founded Apogee Chemicals, which provided the semiconductor industry with new UHP chemicals and chemical delivery systems. At 28, McNeilly founded the now famous Applied Materials (Nasdaq: AMAT). During his tenure at Applied, he was issued over 20 patents and was the co-recipient of the first SEMI award for “Outstanding Contributions to the Semiconductor Industry.” In his career, Mike founded a total of 14 high technology companies, served on the Board of Directors of more than 30 companies,



and raised early stage capital of more than \$250 million through IPOs, venture capital, strategic partners, and individual investors. Mike managed new market driven product creation, development and commercialization resulting cumulative sales of approximately \$5 billion. He had an extraordinary career but also managed to be a good father to two lovely daughters, Aimee and Michelle, and a good friend of many fellow Band members, particularly Hans. He will be sorely missed. **A memorial service will be held November 12, 2005 at St. Mary's church in Los Gatos, CA at 11:00am.** For any questions please call his former assistant, Molly Finn, at 650-504-6283.

The Band that Mike so enjoyed ends 2005 on a happier note. It was a busy year; we made new investments in Spectralus, Mediatile, SandCodex, Nellix, Senvid, IdeaBlade, Hansa, and MPI and follow-on investments in Novostent, Quorum, MBA Polymers, Quantum Vision, Virtual Silicon, Nugen, Vapore, Jobflash, Notiva and Chakshu. Currently it appears that three deals from the past two months ExperClick (October, 2005 dinner), DermaCare (September, 2005 dinner), and IODA (October, 2005 dinner) are all well on their way to being financed by the Band as well. Combined, that makes 10 new financings in 2005, with 10 follow-on investments, and there are still three more new possibilities presenting this month!

**Dr. Jim Papp will give this month's member talk.** Jim was the Vice President of Business Development for Kaiser Electronics, responsible for sales and marketing, strategic planning, and directing new product development for this maker of airborne display systems. Previous to that role, he was Vice President, of Engineering; managing a 500+ person department responsible for all aspects of product design and development, production support, and R&D. His division developed new high-brightness color display technology, holographic optics for heads-up displays, and flat panel technology for aircraft applications as well as large gate arrays, display processors with very large software components. Most recently, Jim served as CEO of

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Western Sierra, responsible for all business aspects of this privately held commercial food manufacturer including sales and marketing, production, new products, and administration. Earlier in his career, Jim served stints at Litton Industries, Teledyne and Watkins Johnson. Jim has a Ph.D. in Physics from UC Berkeley.

The November 16<sup>th</sup> 2005 dinner meeting is the last one of the year and so this is the last newsletter of 2005. But invitations for our lovely holiday party have just been mailed out; so **don't forget to RSVP to Marilynne ASAP.**

As we announced at last month's meeting, our office manager, Tonia Boeye, has moved on to bigger and

better things. Tonia got a job in an oil and gas hedge fund, showing that she probably has the best nose of any of us about where there is real money to be made!

**We welcome in her place, Marilynne Isaacs.** Marilynne was formerly the Executive Director of the Bay Area American Lung Association and has been a project manager with companies such as GAP, Bon Appetit, and First Databank; she spent many years as an independent management consultant and most recently served as an office manager for Vitra Bioscience. She's an avid equestrian and, allegedly, an accomplished deep-water sport fisherman. We're lucky to have Marilynne and she has expressed her excitement to be working for and with all of you.

- Ian