

## Personal Business on Employer's IT - Social Security - Silicon Cowboys - more

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**No matter where you work, what your job situation, or how innocent your activities** -- there are serious issues with using your employer's IT facilities for your personal business. The email accounts, files, and old backups belong to your employer -- and important personal emails may be discarded by the company firewall. For example, emails sent to HPE employees at hp.com after Sep 30 will trigger an error message -- "Recipient address rejected: User unknown in virtual alias table" -- which may not be passed on to the sender (and implies that the employee has been laid off.)  
Advice on how to make the move: <http://www.hpalumni.org/PersBus>

**Social Security.** Video with an expert from the Social Security Administration. When to start. How working affects your benefits. Spouse, children, divorce, survivor, disability, taxes. Much more. Audience Q-and-A. <http://www.hpalumni.org/SocialSecurity> (Membership not required.)

**Reentry into the workforce.** Practical article by coach Sandra Clark. <http://www.hpalumni.org/LinkedIn>

**If offered a pay cut to keep your job.** Pragmatic discussion by coach Nick Corcodilos:<http://www.hpalumni.org/z122>

**Compaq:** Documentary based on Rod Canion's book now showing at 14 theaters from NY to SF. <http://filmrise.com/silicon-cowboys>

**HP 3000:** Lunch, Oct 3, Cupertino Bldg D. Organized by Birket Foster. <http://theduke.com>

**DEC:** Reunion and Mill tour, Oct 8. **Purchase tickets by Sep 30.** <http://www.deconnection.org>

**Retiree Annual Enrollment:** Earlier this year -- **Oct 10-28.** Local fairs Oct 12-20.  
Info:<http://www.hpalumni.org/Annual>

**Know someone leaving HPI or HPE?** Send them this link to the indispensable "ASAP Checklist" -- continually-updated advice from alumni on urgent things to do before losing HP access and in following weeks:<http://www.hpalumni.org/asap>

### Lessons for today from HP and predecessors...

NYTimes review of "Silicon Cowboys"

"...the plucky company embraced some brash ideas... Not long after, they were trouncing the monolith that was IBM. Davids sometimes mature into Goliaths, though, and at the end we see Compaq losing focus and stumbling, about a decade after its founding..."

"Silicon Cowboys" prizes the human drama behind business events, much as in "The Social Network" or "Steve Jobs." Those films, too, pretended that technology was the star. But they knew that people were the real story."

<http://www.hpalumni.org/z120> (review and trailer)

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