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BRANCH # 62



The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of
Sunnyvale Branch #62
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at
Mariani's Restaurant
2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara
A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men
Devoted to the Promotion of Independence
and Dignity in Retirement
<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>
November 2014

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SONS IN RETIREMENT, INCORPORATED SunnyVale Branch #62

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ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

If you do not attend three (3) consecutive meetings without a suitable excuse, or if you fail to attend seven (7) meetings within the last twelve (12) months, you may be dropped from the membership. The latter rule applies even though you may have reported your absences to the Attendance Committee. You can attend another Branch's Luncheon as a make up for missing our Luncheon.

NON-RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE

All tours and activities arranged for or by Sons In Retirement, Inc. through its branches and committees or agents are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. However, Sons In Retirement, Inc., and its branches, do not assume any responsibility for the well being and safety of the participants or their property in matters pertaining to said tours and activities. Members and guests will participate at their own risk. v3jd

**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
 MEMBERSHIP FOR OCTOBER 16, 2014**

Attending	51
Guests	0
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Inactive	20
Returned From Inactive	1
Inducted This Month	0
Members In Process	2
Membership	91

BRIDGE UPDATE

We play every first and third Tuesday at the Garrett Business Center on 3375 Scott Blvd. Park in the rear, closest to Suite 332. The next get together in November will be held on the 4th. We start at 1:30 and play for about 3 hours.

Roger has volunteered to give bridge lessons for four SIRS interested in learning the game. If you are interested, please call Roger at (408-730-0801) or me at (408-410-3626) and we will set something up.

If anyone else is interested in playing a party style type of Bridge, please let me know at the next meeting or give Roger or me a call.

Phil Thomas, Bridge Publicist

The Statesmen SIR Bowling

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
Tom Birley (408) 736-8869	Charlie Gray (408) 253-0606	Dave Jeong (650) 493-9132	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

We are now seven weeks into the Winter bowling league. We have the Chiefs consisting of Tom McDonough, Charles Bailey, Vern Miller and Lee Wriglesworth still in first place. The second place team, the Judges, consisting of Leon Kowaleski, David Jeong, Richard Thomas, and Carl Del Rosario are a half game out of first. We still need bowlers to fill a few empty slots.

Top Scores for the Season so far are:

Scratch Series:	647 Don Paulson
Scratch Game:	251 Tom Birley
Handicap Series:	845 Vern Miller
Handicap Game:	301 Jack Pettygrove

We bowl on Tuesdays starting at 9:30 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino

Come join us! -----Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

Luncheon Menu

For November 20, 2014

Broiled Chicken Salad or Turkey

NOVEMBER SPEAKER

Barbara Keegan, Director, Santa Clara Valley Water District 2

Barbara is third generation Civil Engineer. She attended SJ State earning her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering. She has many years of experience in successfully delivering capital projects and resolving construction disputes. She has many Board and External Committee Assignments to her credit.

SONS IN RETIREMENT—Branch 62

LUNCHEON ORDER FORM*

MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING

I wish to order a salad () or the entrée of the month () for the meeting in the month of _____.
Included with this form is payment of \$19 for November or \$20 for January. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name _____ Badge Number _____

Cut out and mail to: Bob Hebson, 1170 Stafford Drive
Cupertino, CA 95014, (408) 255-3753

*Use this form if you did not place an order at the last meeting.

Sick Call:

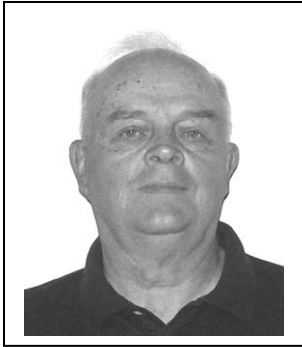
Please report illnesses of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Mal Hopkins, (408) 720-0849.

Rooster:

If you have not received the “Rooster” by mail by the 10th of the month, please call John McGuire (408) 248-4620. If you have not received the “Rooster” by e-mail, let John McGuire know by e-mail at jpmcguiresr@aol.com. To switch to e-mail delivery, send your e-mail address to John McGuire. E-mail subscriptions reduce Branch expenses.

BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!

BE ACTIVE!!.. HAVE FUN!!..



*From Our
Big Sir
Mal Hopkins*

Turkey day will be here soon and hopefully we all have a lot to be thankful for. I wish all our members and significant others a Happy Thanksgiving. Many changes were made in 2014, some good and some not so good. My experience as Big Sir has been a pleasure. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the executive committee for their assistance. Special thanks to Tom Birley and Bobbie Byers for putting on our annual picnic and Christmas party.

Your new officers for 2015 are: Bob Hebson, Big Sir; Russ Kohlrust, Little Sir; Roger Falberg, Treasurer; and Alex Fremling, Secretary.

My final input to our monthly Rooster is my usual "bring a friend, neighbor or acquaintance to one of our meetings". Our new Big Sir is giving a pitch to the disbanding Branch 153 at their luncheon meeting and, hopefully, we can gain a few transfers. Remember our Branch is only as successful as its members so participate whenever and wherever you can.

Mal Hopkins, Big Sir

BOCCE BALL UPDATE

Bocce ball will not be implemented as a new activity until January 2015. Plans still remain to join the Villages in playing for the first time, but will be deferred to January due to November and December holidays. Bob and Russ will be playing Bocce with the Village Sirs while we finalize implementation plans for the activity these next two months.

MARIANI'S LUNCH INFORMATION

As you know, we now sell tickets for our monthly lunch at Mariani's (2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95051) and several questions have come up.

1. If at all possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the meeting preceding the one you plan to attend.
2. If you cannot buy your meal for the next month at the luncheon or send your money to the Little Sir at least one week in advance (that's the Thursday before the meeting), then don't come to the meeting expecting to eat. If you buy a ticket and cannot make the meeting, call the Little Sir one week before the meeting and he will get your ticket moved to the following month. If there is an emergency and you can't make the meeting, call the Little Sir and he will decide if it is a true emergency and will forward the ticket to the following month. This is going to be enforced and if you buy a ticket and don't show up without letting the Little Sir know, you will lose your money.
3. If you have not purchased a ticket for the upcoming meeting and wish to attend, you must submit the Luncheon Order Form (*found on page 9*), with your payment, **so that the Little Sir receives it no later than Thursday, one week prior to the meeting.** Lunch orders received less than one week before the meeting will not be processed and your money will be refunded.

If you have any other questions please contact *Little Sir* Bob Hebson at (408) 255-3753

December

DINNER DANCE

SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

The golf coordinators for the balance of 2014 are:

December: Paul Goodwin

The Coordinator for November is Jeff Batista. The following is a lineup of courses for November:

3 November – Spring Valley

10 November – Santa Clara

17 November – Sunnyvale

24 November – Los Lagos

NCGA dues for 2015 must be paid to Paul Goodwin in November. Bring a check for \$40 to the November meeting.

May you hit them long and straight.

Phil Thomas 408-410-3626

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joe Vivona	2 nd	Frank Guyre	11 th
Bill Gradwohl	7 nd	Pete Tobias	18 th
Dick Suidzinski	8 th	Van Dietz	19 th
Frank McElroy	9 th	Heber Slusser	20 th
John Shields	10 th	Gordon Whyte	30 th

Anniversaries

5 Years -- Al Cordona
20 Years-- Marv Hirschel

9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley Chairmen

October 1st 11 Players

C.T.P.----- D. Stuedeman

1st Low Net: T. Birley (23), 2nd Low Net: J. Parker (26),

3rd Low Net: H. Crossfield (27)

Birds & Chip In's----- (C) J. McGuire

October 8th 12 Players

C.T.P.----- B. Crosby (7'1")

1st Low Net: J. Howard & T. McDonough (26), 2nd Low

Net: B. Hebson & D. Stuedeman (27), 3rd Low Net: G.

Bunzel (28)

Bird's & Chip In's----- (C) B. Crosby (B) J. Parker

October 15th 12 Players

C.T.P.----- None

1st Low Net: J. McGuire & Parker (26), 2nd Low Net : T.

Birley & D. Riopel (29), 3rd Low Net: B. Crosby (30)

Bird's & Chip In's----- (C) B. Hebson

October 22nd 9 Players

C.T.P.----- T. McDonough (3'6")

1st Low Net: T. McDonough (26), 2nd Low Net: J. Parker

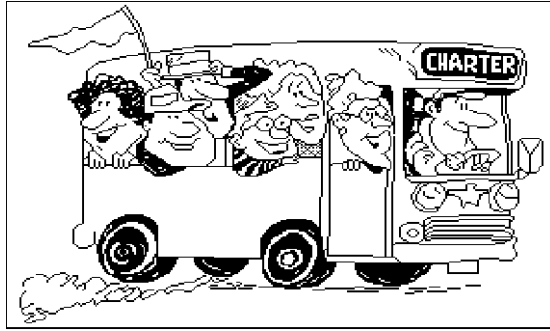
(27), 3rd Low Net: J. Howard & G. Sousa

Bird's & Chip In's----- None

BOOK SWAP

Recycle those books that you have enjoyed. Bring them to the luncheon and place them on the table at the entrance. Help yourself to one or two and enjoy! We would appreciate any "Large Print" books you may have.

Happy Reading!



SIR TRAVEL - BRANCH 62

Reminder: Trips organized by Sons in Retirement (SIR) are available not only to SIR members and their spouses but also to guests and widows of SIR members. **Escorts: Jim Hohenshelt (408-394-7226) and Roy Jordan at (408 735-8765).**

June, 2015 (6 days) - Las Vegas, World Series of Poker (WSOP): Exact date TBA when 2015 WSOP schedule is defined. Watch or play (entry fee not included) in the Senior WSOP at the Rio Hotel and Casino, or pursue other Vegas activities. Cost is \$675 (dbl) and \$850 (sgl), includes airport transfers (home to SJC & LAS to the Rio), air fare & 5 nights in a luxury suite at the Rio

September, 2015 California RR Museum (1 day) The California Railroad Museum in Sacramento is noted for fine displays of railroad history in California. Round trip travel from the South Bay via Capitol Corridor train. Date & more details in future Roosters.

November 5–23, 2015 - Crossroads of Turkey - Land tour of Turkey begins in Istanbul, proceeds to Asiatic Turkey with many fascinating stops. Per Person cost is \$3795, includes air fare from SFO, tour transportation, hotel accommodations, taxes, fees, gratuities for drivers/guides, 35 meals.

January 9 – 19, 2016: Mexican Riviera: Grand Princess cruise from San Francisco (no air). Per person double occupancy cost ranges from \$1455 (Interior), to \$1995 (Balcony), includes home pick up, cruise meals & entertainment, taxes, fees, some gratuities.

IMPORTANT IMPORTANT INPORTANT

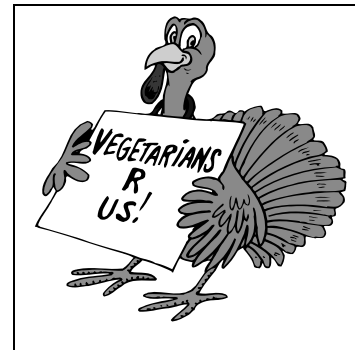
Motion Passed by the Executive Board in October

Starting with the January 2015 meeting, lunch will cost will increase from \$19 to \$20 per month. However, the board passed a resolution to allow members to prepay lunches for the entire 2015 year for \$190, a savings of \$10 over the month to month rate.

However, to take advantage of this offer, you must pay the treasurer by 1/5/2015. If you pay prior to this date, date your check as 1/5/2015, as they will be deposited on or after that date. Make your check payable to “SIR Branch #62”.

Branch members who choose this option may also include their annual membership dues of \$10, for a total of \$200.

Roger H. Falberg, Treasurer
751 Silver Pine Court
Sunnyvale, CA 94086



Thanksgiving
November 27