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BRANCH # 62



The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of
Sunnyvale Branch #62
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at
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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>
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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

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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
MEMBERSHIP FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2016**

Attending	51
Guests	1
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	1
Deceased	0
Active	76
Inactive	18
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	94

ANNIVERSARY

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Big Sir Report, cont'd from p. 3

I am asking Branch 62 Activity Chairmen for assistance. No one knows your tasks better than you. I want each activity chair to have an assistant and to provide me with their recommended name. I will provide their candidacy subject to their acceptance. **We need to continue building future branch leadership in our branch** and this will be my start to do so. Branch Sirs, if this activity position is of interest, let your activity chairman know of your interest.

I'll close this month's Big Sir's Rooster letter by reminding branch members that you are always invited to attend the branch executive meetings held monthly at Mariani's in the room adjacent to the luncheon

Rush Kohlrust, Big Sir

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	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

Just 3 weeks into our Winter League, we have the Deans, consisting of Armond King, Harold Kaye, Carl Del Rosario and Bob Hebson, in First Place. The Judges, consisting of Mal Hopkins, Marvin Hirschel, Dave Jeong and Steve Bishop, are one game behind.

Top Scores for the Season are:

Scratch Series: 653 Tom Birley
Scratch Game: 253 Lynn Grilley
Handicap Series: TBD
Handicap Game: TBD

If you are interested in bowling with us, please let me know and I will add you to the substitution list.

We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino. Come by and root for your favorite team.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

Branch 62 Wine Tasting Club

By the time you read this, we will have tasted the wonderfully crafted wines at Ruby Hill Winery in Livermore.

Hopefully, we will have enjoyed a pleasant lunch at Campo de Bocce in Livermore prior to tasting wines. If you are interested in joining us at any of these events, please let me know.

On our next outing, we plan to taste wines at the Concannon Winery also in Livermore. This is tentatively scheduled to occur on the 14th of October.

If anyone is interested in joining this club, please let me know at the next meeting or give me a call at 408-410-3626. You can also email me at phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu.

Phil Thomas, Wine Tasting Publicist

LUNCH MENU

OCTOBER 20, 2016

**Chef Salad Spring Mix
Roasted Pork Loin**

OCTOBER SPEAKER

Ron Berube is our October 20th Speaker, and his subject is AARP Smart Driver Class. This is a Driver Safety Program offered to drivers over 50 years of age and may result in a reduction in their Auto Insurance rate. A first time class is an 8 hour affair. Ron is a member SIR Br. 21.

Sick Call:

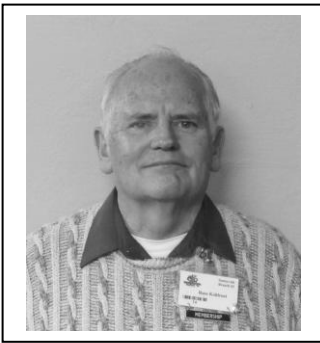
Please report illnesses of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Mal Hopkins, (408) 720-0849.

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
Russ Kohlrust*

Fellow Sirs,

As you may have noticed at today's luncheon, several changes have occurred. First of all, after stopping by Tom Birley's attendance desk and entering the luncheon room, Roy Jordan and myself were at the luncheon ticket table. I express great appreciation to Roy who stepped up and accepted Armand King's luncheon ticket desk position. Bob Hebson has accepted, TEMPORARILY, Armand's Chaplain position. Thank you Roy and Bob. I am looking for a volunteer for the permanent Chaplain's position. Basically, the position is for the Sir to provide the invocation at our luncheons. Please give me a call at 408.306.8335 if the position is of interest to you.

One of my personal objectives in accepting your branch's Big Sir position, was to make sure we have "back-ups" for the branch's leadership. My goal is to have assistant leadership to step forward and assume leadership responsibilities in time of need. I have not done this so far this year. It took Armond King's resignation to bring this needed goal implementation to light. You will be seeing more Branch 62 leadership positions in the coming months. We do have back-up for our executive branch leaders. Jim Hohenshelt has done a wonderful job as Little Sir in my absence. Likewise, Bob Pastorino in Assistant Secretary and Leon Kowaleski in Assistant Treasurer in branch executive positions.

Every SIR branch in the state is managed like individual companies. This is similar to large conglomerates in the USA such as General Electric, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Apple, and Microsoft. The only difference between these corporations and the SIR Corporation is not to make money for the stock holders but instead to **survive!** Although SIR population has decreased in times throughout the state, **SIR HAS SURVIVED.** And it has survived thanks to your dedication and participation. The Elks, Masons, and Rotary also have experienced similar decline in their membership. So, SIR is not alone. I am currently seeking an assistant for the attendance chairman and also luncheon tickets chairman.

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LUNCH ORDERING INFORMATION

Tickets are sold in advance of the monthly lunch. If at all possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the meeting preceding the one you plan to attend.

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 you have not purchased a ticket for the upcoming meeting and wish to attend, you must submit the Luncheon Order Form (*below*), 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 questions, please contact Little Sir Jim Hohenshelt at 408 241 4421.

**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 \$21. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name _____ Badge Number _____

Cut out and mail to: Jim Hohenshelt, 2626 Estella Dr., Santa Clara, CA 95051 or call (408) 241-4421

*Use this form if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the last meeting.

18 Hole Golf

There are 7 of 12 still in the match play tournament. Only two players have gone undefeated, Bob Byers and Bob Pastorino. The pace should pick up for eliminations now that most of the travel season has gone by. Stay tuned.....

Leader board for Player of the Year Standings thru September 12

Pastorino, Robert	38
Doyle, Mr Frank	32
Freitas, Mr Dan	28
Marquez, Mr Jim	28

Bob Pastorino continues to trounce the competition, and it will be a challenge for anyone to catch up to him by the end of October. The competition will end for 2016 at that point and the new season will start in November.

The regional outing for August was cancelled since no one in the Villages SIR set it up.

We interrupt this program with an important announcement. NCGA \$40 dues for the 2017 season are due next month at lunch. Checks payable to SIR 62.

October is coordinated by Paul Goodwin. The regional event is at Coyote Creek – Valley course on October 24.

October Schedule

3 – Las Positas

10 - Los Lagos

17 – Aptos Seascape

24 – Coyote Creek – Valley – Regional \$65

31 – Spring Valley

Submitted by Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chair 408-480-4900

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

August 24th 11 Players

C.T.P. None

1st Low Net: Alex Fremling 25

2nd Low Net: John Parker 26

3rd Low Net: Mike Hastings 28

Birds & Chip-ins: John Parker (B)

August 31st 12 Players

C.T.P. None

1st Low Net: Bill Crosby 25

2nd Low Net: John Howard 26

3rd Low Net: Alex Fremling & Tom Birley 27

Birds & Chip-ins: Bob Hebson (B), Henry Crossfield (C)

September 7th 15 Players

C.T.P. Vern Miller 11'6"

1st Low Net: Mike Hastings 23

2nd Low Net: John Howard & Don Stuedeman 26

3rd Low Net: Bob Hebson 27

Birds & Chip-ins: Mike Hastings (C)

September 14th 13 Players

C.T.P. None

1st Low Net: Roger Falberg 24

2nd Low Net: Bill Crosby & John Parker 27

3rd Low Net: Jim Anderson & Bob Hebson 28

Birds & Chip-ins: John Parker (B), Don Stuedeman (C)

September 21st 12 Players

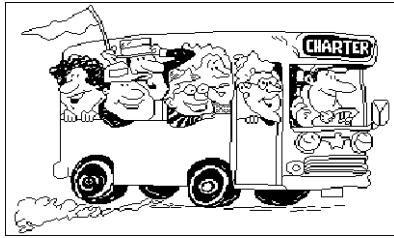
C.T.P. Dave Riopel 12'3"

1st Low Net: Don Stuedeman 26

2nd Low Net: John Howard 27

3rd Low Net: Roger Falberg & John Parker 28

Birds & Chip-ins: Dave Riopel (B), Roger Falberg (C)



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).

Brochures are available from the escorts or at the travel table.

Oct. 9, 2016 Fleet Week Air Show Cruise (1 day): Watch the 2016 Air Show from San Francisco Bay on a buffet lunch cruise aboard the iconic San Francisco Belle. Complementary coffee, tea, soft drinks, and sparkling wine are included. Price is \$185 per person, and includes bus transfer from the Capitol VTA parking lot in San Jose. **Bus leaves promptly at noon.**

Nov 12 - 23, 2016: Panama and Canal Passage: Panama City, Chitre, rain forest, Expansion Project Visitor Center, plus a 2 day Canal passage on a small ship with overnight in Gatun Lake. Optional extensions to the wild archipelago of Bocas del Toro and Cartagena, Columbia available. \$4770 pp/dbl. occ. includes air from San Jose.

Cancelled - Oct. 22, 2016: A Day in Sausalito – Tall Ship Bay Cruise: This trip did not attract enough participants, so the trip has been cancelled.

BRIDGE UPDATE

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 4th and 18th of October and the 1st of November. The hosts will be Leon Kowaleski, Phil Thomas and Bob Hebson, respectively. We start at 1:00 and play for about 2 1/2 hours.

We play 4 rounds of bridge per table and the losers move to the next table. We get in about 4 or 5 rounds before having to call it quits. We had 2 tables this last time we played.

We play every first and third Tuesday at the Garrett Business Center on 3375 Scott Blvd. Park in the rear, closest to Suite 332.

Phil Thomas, Bridge Publicist

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Barry	Boole	13
Cash	Casho	26
Carl	Del Rosario	5
Mal	Hopkins	31
Dave	Jeong	9
Jack	Martin	4
Don	Maxwell	2
Don	Paulson	12
Walt	Strach	19
Rich	Thomas	05

BOCCE BALL

There is no Bocce Ball report this month,