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SUNNYVALE  
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>  
**January 2017**

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	Dave Riopel	<b>M</b> embership	Heber Slusser
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			Leon Kowaleski
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			Bob Byers
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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 DECEMBER 15, 2016**

Attending	31
Guests	31
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	76
Inactive	17
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	93

**2017 DUES REMINDER**

Member dues are \$25, payable by 1/18/2017. Pay at the January meeting either by cash or check. Checks should be made out to "SIR Branch 62", and dated 1/18/2017. Checks can be mailed to:

Roger Falberg, Treasurer  
 751 Silverpine Court  
 Sunnyvale, CA 94086

## **The Statesmen SIR Bowling**

<b><u>President</u></b>	<b><u>Vice President</u></b>	<b><u>Secretary</u></b>	<b><u>Treasurer</u></b>
Tom Birley (408) 736-8869	Charlie Gray (408) 253-0606	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

We recently had our 2<sup>nd</sup> position round with the Admirals consisting of, Russ Kohlrust, Ron Olson, Bobbie Byers and Lynn Grilley, winning First Place.

Congratulations to the Admirals.

### **Top Scores for the Season are:**

Scratch Series: 653 Tom Birley  
Scratch Game: 253 Lynn Grilley  
Handicap Series: 792 Steve Bishop  
Handicap Game: 315 Jack Pettygrove

No bowling on 12-27-2016 !

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

## **LUNCH MENU**

**Chef Salad Spring  
Mix**

**Rosemary Baked  
Chicken**

## **JANUARY SPEAKER**

*Greg Horne* is our Jan. 19th Speaker. His topic will be "Climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro". He will cover all aspects of climbing one of the world's most beautiful mountains. His presentation will include photos of every stage of the climb. He also gives some excellent advice on the dangers of mountain climbing. He is a member of Branch 20.

## **WINE TASTING**

I will be attempting to set up a wine tasting event on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of January at Sarah's Vineyard off of Hecker Pass in Gilroy. They have Bocce Ball courts, so we may want to combine our club with the Bocce Ball club and have an outing there with both wine tasting, a bottle of wine at the courts and some bocce ball.

I will send out an email and make some calls to get a head count for that day.

Phil Thomas, Wine Tasting Publicist

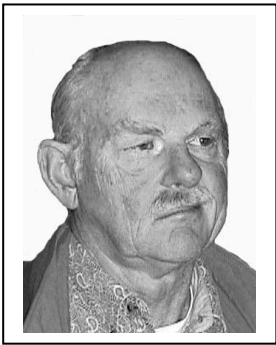
### ***Sick Call:***

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](mailto: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  
Jim Hohenshelt*

Fellow Sirs:

Here we are with a New Year, again. Time seems to go by faster lately. The last one did not seem that long ago.

Several things are in limbo that need to be dealt with after the Holidays. Until then it's business as usual. Our luncheon meeting on January 19th is at Mariani's at the regular time. We will discuss the issues then.

I hope you all had a Happy Holiday with your loved ones and that Santa was good to you and yours.

Jim Hohenshelt, Big Sir

**JANUARY LUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Please note that we will be meeting in a different room but still at Mariani's in January!**

Mariani's has increased the lunch price for 2017 to \$23.

**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, 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.

**Please contact Phil Thomas at 408 410-3626.**

**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, 408 241-4421

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

## **18 Hole Golf**

Frank Doyle beat Bob Pastorino at Gilroy and they decided to split the cash for the second match play tourney. We will start the next match play on Jan 9.

Golfing will take a break for the holidays. The last event at Gilroy was the first frost delay of the season. We suggest you call the course for the next couple months to see if there is a frost delay and schedule your arrival accordingly.

January is coordinated by A Goodwin

2 – no golf – holiday

9 – Spring Valley

16 – Deep Cliff (MLK Day)

23 – San Jose

30 – Santa Clara

Have a wonder-filled holiday season.

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

## **R & B 9 HOLE GOLF**

**Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen**

**No December Report was submitted**

Have you visited our web site lately? Its well worth a visit. If you went to the dinner dance, you're sure to be in one of the 34 pictures taken during that event. If you didn't go, take a look at the fun you missed out on.

<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>

Bookmark it for easy access



## **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.**

Branch 62 has no more travel events scheduled at this time. However, there are trips scheduled by other branches in SIR Areas 5 and 20. These trips are described in the Area 5 & 20 Travel Bulletin, which many of our members receive. Please contact one of the travel chairmen, if you would like to receive the bulletin. Also, brochures for other branches' trips are available on the travel table at the monthly Branch 62 luncheons. Watch for a brief report on the tour of Panama and a three day passage through the Canal in the travel section of a future "Rooster".

## **2017 BRANCH 62 OFFICERS**

Big Sir: Jim Hohenshelt      Little Sir: Phil Thomas

Other Officers and the Board of Directors will be the same as in 2016.

## **BRIDGE UPDATE**

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 3rd and 17th of January and the 7th of February. The hosts will be Phil Thomas, Jeff Bautista and Fred Carlson 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.

This last week, we had a failed attempt to reach a Grand Slam with one of the partners chickening out at a Small Slam. Needless to say, since the Bridge Publicist was his partner, this failure had to go into this article.

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

## **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Bud Collinson	14 <sup>th</sup>
John Dieckman	21 <sup>st</sup>
Richard Pope	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Ted Meyers	28 <sup>th</sup>
Phil Rossignol	30 <sup>th</sup>