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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>  
**June 2017**

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Golf, 18 Hole	Paul Goodwin
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Rooster Items	Mal Hopkins
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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 MAY 19, 2017**

Attending	46
Guests	2
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	79
Inactive	11
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	90

**SIR WINE TASTING**

I failed to report at the last meeting that a couple of us, after having a wonderful lunch at Sauced BBQ and Spirits restaurant, went wine tasting at Concannon Vineyards and Katz Winery. We thoroughly had a great time conversing with the young ladies behind the wine bar at Katz Winery. They just wouldn't let us leave.

I'm looking to set up a wine tasting and bocce ball event in June at Sarah's Vineyard off of Hecker Pass in Gilroy. Look for an email to come out the week of 5 June.

If anyone is interested in joining us on these wine tasting events, please contact me at [phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu](mailto:phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu) or 408-410-3626

Phil Thomas, Wine Tasting Publicist

## The Statesmen *SIR* Bowling

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
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At the conclusion of the Winter League, the championship goes to the Emperors, consisting of Tom McDonough, Charlie Bailey, Lee Wriglesworth and Phil Thomas. Congratulations Team Emperors! Team Deans, consisting of Armond King, Carl Del Rosario, Harold Kaye and Robert Hebson came in second place. We have started the Summer League with the Judges, consisting of Charlie Gray, George Center, Dave Jeong and Lynn Grilley in first place.

### Top Scores for the Winter were:

- Scratch Series: 653 Tom Birley
- Scratch Game: 256 Steve Bishop
- Handicap Series: 803 Don Paulson
- Handicap Game: 337 Russ Kohlrust

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

### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Bautista	6 <sup>th</sup>	Tom McDonough	8 <sup>th</sup>
Frank Doyle	16 <sup>th</sup>	Jack Pettygrove	13 <sup>th</sup>
Lynn Grilley	29 <sup>th</sup>	Phil Thomas	17 <sup>th</sup>
Jim Hohenshelt	6 <sup>th</sup>	Mel Waldman	17 <sup>th</sup>
Rich Kitajima	16 <sup>th</sup>	Lee Wriglesworth	8 <sup>th</sup>



**FLAG DAY**  
**June 14th**



Our annual **LADIES DAY PICNIC** at Ortega Park will be held on Thursday, June 15, 2017 starting at 11A.M. Lunch will be ready at 12 noon. There will be games, prizes and entertainment, just like last year.

### Picnic Luncheon Menu

**June 15, 2017**

*BBQ Tri Tip & Chicken*

*Potato Salad, Corn on the Cob & Beans*

*Look for the Insert in this Rooster for sign-up and cost information. (e-mail recipients look for this information as an attachment with your e-Rooster.)*

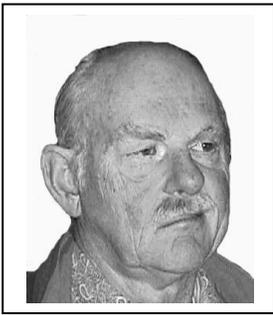
### **Sick Call:**

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 [jpmcguires@aol.com](mailto:jpmcguires@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:**

The situation at Mariani's has not changed for several months. The latest proposal by the developer is a 5-story apartment complex and a 5-story hotel. It was presented to the Planning Commission, the City Council and summarized in the local Santa Clara weekly paper. It will cover all of Mariani's and the area to the west, from the road all the way up to the creek. Sooner or later (most likely sooner), the developer will come up with a plan that is acceptable to the city

I have been told that all of Mariani's will not go away. There will still be a restaurant and some meeting rooms. However, there may be an extended period during "renovations" that we will not have a place to meet. It appears that Mariani's is not long for this world and we better find a solution soon--- probably by year's end. We are investigating several options that would bring us back to Sunnyvale, which is where most of the membership lives.

Right now, there are possibilities but nothing firm. One candidate is the new restaurant at the Sunnyvale Golf Course. They have plenty of room but the food would be somewhat different than what we have had in the past-- more like sandwiches and salads etc. and the price is \$28.00. We would have to buy audio and video equipment as they have none. Another possibility is the Sunnyvale Community Center at Braly Park. We would have to arrange our own caterer there and we may need a setup and clean up committee, if the caterer does not do that. More information will be presented at our next meeting. Keep your eyes and ears open. These options may not be acceptable. If you have a thought on the subject, please give me a call.

I mentioned at the last meeting that I would like to have the company that manufactures the SIR apparel come in so we can see what is

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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, with your payment, **so that the Big 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 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 \$23.00. 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 **for the July meeting**, if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the last meeting.

## **18 Hole Golf**

The bottom flight has finally reached conclusion. Dave Riopel and Paul Goodwin played for the \$40 prize at Santa Clara. Paul won 3 up with 2 to go. Both match play awards will be presented at the July lunch.

We often see players reach across the hole and pop their ball into the hole. This is not addressed in the rules, but is poor form and should be avoided. Catching the ball before it reaches the bottom of the cup means the player has not finished the hole (holed out) and thus has no score for the hole and could be disqualified.

June is coordinated by Bob Pastorino (510) 755-5524

5 – San Jose

12 – Santa Teresa

19 – Santa Clara

26 – Los Lagos Regional (\$45 checks to Paul Goodwin)

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

## **BRIDGE CLUB**

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 6th and 20th of June and the 11th of July (no game on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July). 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 about 4 or 5 rounds of bridge per table and the losers move to the next table.

We had just one table of bridge at the beginning of last month and 2 tables on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May. They tell me that Mal Hopkins had a whopping hand with 26 points and his partner opened the bidding. That's about 38 or 39 points out of 40 between them. I don't believe they stopped at 6 no-trump in the bidding which is a shame with all those points.... Oh well, next time!

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

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

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

### **May 3<sup>rd</sup> 11 Payers**

**C.T.P. Tom Birley 10'5"**

**1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson 25**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Don Stuedeman 27**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Roger Falberg 28**

**Birds & Chip-ins: Vern Miller (C)**

### **May 10<sup>th</sup> 12 Players**

**C.T.P. Vern Miller 7'7"**

**1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Vern Miller 27**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Carl Mendel 28**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson 30**

**Birds & Chip-ins: Vern Miller (B)**

### **May 17<sup>th</sup> 11 Players**

**C.T.P. Jim Anderson**

**1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Carl Mendel 23**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson, Don Stuedeman 27**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Jim Anderson 28**

**Birds & Chip-ins: Don Stuedeman, Jim Anderson,  
John McGuire (C) Jim Anderson,  
Carl Mendel (B)**

### **May 24<sup>th</sup> 11 Players**

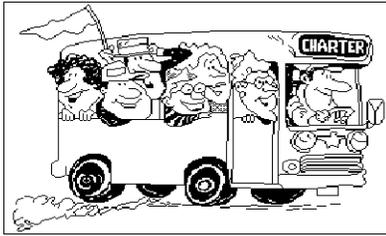
**C.T.P. Jim Anderson 1'11"**

**1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Jim Anderson, Vern Miller 24**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: John Parker 25**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Jack Pettygrove 27**

**Birds & Chip-ins: Vern Miller, Jim Anderson (B)  
John Parker, Jim Anderson (C)**



## **SIR TRAVEL - BRANCH 62**

**Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt at (408 394-7226)**

**Assistant: Roy Jordan at (408 735-8765).**

**Trip brochures are available from the travel chairmen or at the travel table at the monthly Branch 62 Luncheon**

**Reminder:** Trips organized by Sons in Retirement (SIR) are available to SIR members and their spouses and also to guests and widows of SIR members.

**May 25 - June 9, 2018 – Niagara Falls, Eastern Canada & Cruise to Boston:** Beginning in Toronto, this trip goes down the shore of Lake Ontario to Niagara Falls for an overnight stay, offering the opportunity to cruise below the Falls by day and view the light display by night. The trip continues with a cruise through the Thousand Islands and stays in the historic eastern Canadian cities of Ottawa, Quebec City, and Montreal. In Montreal, we embark on a Holland America cruise ship for a cruise to Boston via the St. Lawrence River and the Maritime Provincial cities of Charlottetown, Sydney, Halifax, and Bar Harbor, Maine. The cost will begin at about \$3800 without air fare for an inside cabin on the cruise. (Group air fares are not available over 11 months in advance.) Watch future “Roosters” or call the escorts for more details.

Trips scheduled by other branches in SIR Areas 11 & 12 (formerly Areas 20 & 5) are described in the Area 11 & 12 Travel Bulletin. Please contact one of the travel chairmen if you would like to receive the Bulletin.

**Happy Father’s Day -- June 18th**

## **BRANCH 62 WEB SITE**

Have you visited our web site lately? It’s well worth a visit.  
<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>

Bookmark it for easy access.

### **Big Sir Report (continued from page 3)**

available. However, they were not available in May and will be at our July meeting.

It is also time to start thinking about next year’s officers. I have formed a nominating committee to address that subject. It would help a lot if there were a few volunteers that came forward. If the Branch is to survive, we all need to get involved in some way.

We have added a couple of new members. Although that is very good news, we are not out of the woods yet. Please continue to invite your friends to join us. We have some introductory cards printed and I recommend that each of you carry a few with you at all times. I have them, so come see me for a supply. You never know when a potential member is going to appear. I found out about SIR because I was playing golf at Sunken Gardens on a Wednesday morning when I became curious why so many gathered around. I asked Art Bedford and he explained the organization, and here I am some 18 years later. It can happen anytime. Be prepared.

Two more proposals that will occur soon: New pictures will be taken for the next directory. Also, the new directory will include email addresses.

I hope all is going well with you and your loved ones.

Jim Hohenshelt, Big Sir