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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>  
**October 2017**

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Golf, 18 Hole	Paul Goodwin
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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 21, 2017**

Attending	31
Guests	1
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	3
Deceased	0
Active	76
Inactive	11
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	87

**SIR WINE TASTING**

Roger Falberg has graciously offered his home to partake in wine tasting and pizza on our next outing. We will try some white wines, a Zinfandel, a Pinot Noir and maybe a Petite Syrah. We will ask members for a contribution of \$10 to cover the cost of wine and pizza. I will send out an email to club members announcing a date and time. I will report on the event in the next newsletter.

If anyone is interested in joining us on these wine tasting events please contact me at 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>
Tom Birley (408) 736-8869	Charlie Gray (408) 253-0606	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

At the end of 4 weeks of our Winter League bowling, we have the Kings, consisting of Tom McDonough, Carl Del Rosario and Phil Thomas, in first place by 2 games. Second place team is the Generals, consisting of Russ Kohlrust, Ron Olson, Bob Byers and Lynn Grilley.

### **Top Scores so far are:**

Scratch Series: 630 Lynn Grilley  
 Scratch Game: 232 Phil Thomas  
 Handicap Series: 733 Tom McDonough  
 Handicap Game: 278 George Center

We have some vacancies if anyone is interested in taking up the sport of bowling. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino. Come by and root for your favorite team.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Barry Boole	13	Jack Martin	4
Carl Del Rosario	5	Don Maxwell	2
Mal Hopkins	31	Don Paulson	12
Dave Jeong	9	Walt Strach	19
Bob Lowery	18	Rich Thomas	5

## **LUNCH MENU**

**Chef Salad Spring Mix  
or  
Roasted Pork Loin**

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

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

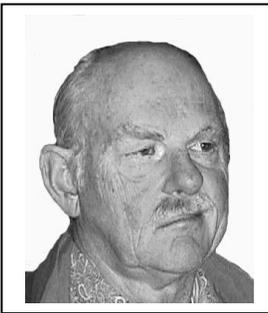
### ***Rooster:***

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!!..***

## **OCTOBER SPEAKER**

Our Speaker is Regina Barmore and her topic is "Familiar Surroundings Home Care". At some point in our life, we will be faced with the fact that one of our loved one's need extra care in the home. According to AARP, 92 % of our seniors would rather stay in their homes than be moved to a facility. The goal of Regina's company is to inform the community about their options. Having all the facts in hand and being able to make an informed decision will go a long way to lessen the stress for the family during this time.



*From Our  
Big Sir  
Jim Hohenshelt*

Fellow Sirs:

FYI: This Year's Christmas Party was scheduled for December 21<sup>st</sup>. That was quite close to Christmas Day and several people will already be gone away for the holidays, me included. The Branch Executive Board has voted to move the Christmas Party a week earlier to the 14<sup>th</sup> to be a little further away from the actual holiday. Hopefully, the new date will bring out a few more attendees to the Party.

I have been assured that, while reconstruction of Mariani's takes place, we will be able to use the facility by adjusting where in the building we meet from time to time. Meanwhile, we are investigating several options that would bring us back to Sunnyvale which is where most of the membership lives. Right now, there are no plans to move before the Christmas Holidays. I would like to start the search again after the New Year as most of our members live in Sunnyvale or even further north.

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.

New pictures will be taken for the next directory. Also, the new directory will include email addresses.

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

Jim Hohenshelt, Big Sir Branch #62

## 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 October meeting**, if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the last meeting.

## 18 Hole Golf

ANNOUNCING the first SIR 62 OPEN. There are 5 Mondays in October. We will accumulate your net score versus par for the events. A net score of 4 over par is +4. A net score of 2 under par is -2. Then we add the best 4 of the 5 to determine the winner. You must play in 3 of the 5 to qualify. If you only play 3, then we will use all 3 scores, 4 events we use all 4 scores. We will collect an extra dollar at each event for the prize pool and add \$20 from the bank account. Good Luck!

“Golfer of the Year” will be wrapping up in October also. Dave Riopel is still in the lead, but there are 4 golfers hot on his tail and can catch him with 2 wins in the remaining events.

Please be sure to attend the November luncheon on Nov.16<sup>th</sup>. That is when all of the 18 Hole Golf Awards, trophies and prizes will be presented.

Dues for 2018 will be \$45 as the NCGA has increased their fees.

October will be coordinated by Paul Goodwin

2 – Los Lagos starting at 9:04

9 – Deep Cliff starting at 9:00

16 – Spring Valley

23 – Santa Clara

30 – Regional at Coyote Creek – Valley course for \$65 starting at 8:00

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

## 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.

## R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

August 30<sup>th</sup> 13 Players

C.T.P. John McGuire 16'5"

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Bill Crosby, Vern Miller 26

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Henry Crossfield, John McGuire 28

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Don Stuedeman, Dave Riopel, Mike Hastings

Jim Anderson 31

Birds & Chip-ins: Don Stuedeman (B)

September 6<sup>th</sup> 13 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Bill Crosby 27

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Jim Anderson 29

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Mike Hastings, John McGuire 30

Birds & Chip-ins: Jim Anderson (B)

September 13<sup>th</sup> 12 Players

C.T.P. Tom Birley 18'3"

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Jim Anderson, Tom Birley 28

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Dave Riopel 29

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Don Stuedeman 30

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

September 20<sup>th</sup> 14 Players

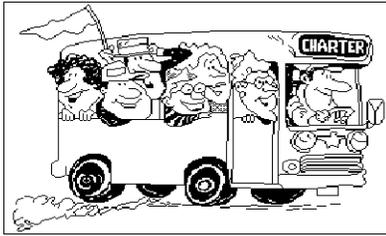
C.T.P. Jack Pettygrove 8'4"

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Dave Riopel 26

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Vern Miller 28

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Roger Falberg, Don Stuedeman 29

Birds & Chip-ins: Vern Miller (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**

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

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.

**May 25 - June 9, 2018 – Niagara Falls, Eastern Canada & Cruise to Boston:** This trip visits the historic Eastern Canadian cities of Toronto, Ottawa, Quebec City, and Montreal, includes an overnight at Niagara Falls and a cruise through the Thousand Islands. It concludes with a Holland America cruise down the St. Lawrence River to the Maritime Provincial cities of Charlottetown, Sydney, Halifax, and Bar Harbor, Maine and Boston, MA. The cost will begin at \$3695 pp/dbl. occ. or \$5185 single (without air fare) for an inside cabin on the cruise. Cost for an outside (window) cabin is \$3924 pp/dbl. occ., and a suite is \$5202 pp/dbl. occ. For lowest cost (group travel is more) and maximum flexibility, individual travel can be arranged by the travel agent or arrange your own. For more information (such as cabin upgrades) or to discuss travel arrangements or for a brochure, please call Jim or Roy.

## **BRIDGE CLUB**

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of October and the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. The hosts will be Leon Kowaleski, Dave Riopel and Phil Thomas, 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 (with the nice chairs).

We have been playing with 2 tables of bridge players for the last month. We hope this will continue as we enjoy making the losers either stay or move to the less comfortable chairs. On a side note, I would like to commend Jeff Bautista and Mal Hopkins for their good playing skills. There were a couple of hands where they were proficient enough to stay in the good chairs. I guess you are old when you start comparing good play to the type of seating you are rewarded with.

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

## **BOCCE BALL**

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, eight members played.

On September 15<sup>th</sup>, five members played

Next Bocce Event is scheduled for 1pm on October 13<sup>th</sup> at Lake Almaden Park in San Jose, CA.