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BRANCH # 62



The ROOSTER

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Sunnyvale Branch #62

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A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men

Devoted to the Promotion of Independence
and Dignity in Retirement

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		Wine Tasting	Phil Thomas
		Webmaster	Heber Slusser

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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 makeup for missing our Luncheon

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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
 MEMBERSHIP FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2018**

Attending	42
Guests	2
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	76
Inactive	0
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	76

SIR WINE TASTING

I have nothing new to report for wine tasting for the past month. I have received a date from Jim Hohenshelt, who is a member of Ruby Hill Winery in Livermore for the 27th of April. I will coordinate the event and put out an email with the specifics. Please refer to the Travel Section for details.

Also, over the next few months, I will be looking at combining bocce ball and wine tasting at another winery.

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

After 24 weeks of the Winter League, we have the Generals, consisting of Russ Kohlrust, Ron Olson, Bob Byers and Lynn Grilley, in first place by one game. We have a tie for second place between the Kings, consisting of Tom McDonough, Carl Del Rosario, and Phil Thomas, and the Admirals, consisting of Armond King, Hugh Moore, David Jeong, and Bob Hebson. Position round will determine who wins the 3rd round of competition.

We have a three day tournament coming up in April at Carson City, Nevada. See me if you want to play this tournament.

Top Scores so far are:

- Scratch Series: 648 Lynn Grilley
- Scratch Game: 235 Bob Hebson
- Handicap Series: 758 Carl Del Rosario
- Handicap Game: 294 Tom Birley

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

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Wally Anderson	19 th	Roy Jordan	17 th
John Brownie	3 rd	Ken Kawakami	20 th
Don Coletti	7 th	Jerry Nieto	31 st
Ted Crutchfield	14 th	Gary Policky	12 th
Bob Fair	14 th	John Steele	25 th

LUNCH MENU

MONTH	SALAD	ENTREE
March	Boat Fruit Salad	Grilled Ham w/ Cherry Sauce
FREE BEER IN MARCH!!		
April	Chef Salad	Roast 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. To switch to e-mail delivery, send your e-mail address to John McGuire. E-mail subscriptions reduce Branch expenses.

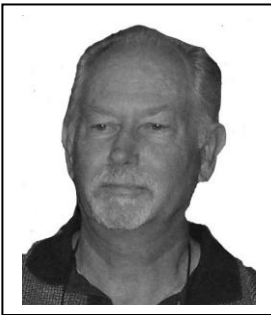
***BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!
BE ACTIVE!!.. HAVE FUN!!..***



March 17th



March 11th



*From Our
Big Sir
Phil Thomas*

We had an interesting presentation at our last meeting on the subject of a reading intervention program that works with underperforming schools. The program is geared for students from Kindergarten to 4th Grade who are behind in their reading. They are always looking for volunteers who can provide one hour a week session with a child in need of improving reading skills. I am considering doing such in the near future.

At the Executive Board meeting, we discussed the possibility of adding women as visitors to our luncheons. It was the general consensus that we could do this on a trial basis. It was stressed that arrangements were to be made with our Little Sir, John Dieckman, a week in advance of the Luncheon to order a meal. Let's see how this turns out.

We had a distinguished guest at our Executive Board and Luncheon meeting. Bob Grandey, our Area Governor, met with us and talked to quite a few of our members. I know I and our board members look forward to working with Bob in the near future.

If for some reason you cannot attend the monthly meeting or want a salad instead of a hot meal, please follow the "Lunch Ordering Information" found in the monthly Newsletter.

Your Big Sir,

Phil Thomas

LUNCH ORDERING INFORMATION

If you buy a ticket and cannot make the meeting, call John Dieckman 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 Jim Hohenshelt receives it no later than Thursday, one week prior to the SIR meeting.** Lunch orders received less than one week before the meeting will not be processed and your money will be refunded.

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. Luncheon prices for 2018 are \$26.

Please contact Jim Hohenshelt at 408-394-7226 or jim_hohenshelt@yahoo.com.

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 \$26.00. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name _____ Badge Number _____

Cut out and mail to: Jim Hohenshelt, 2626 Estella Dr., Santa Clara, CA 95051, 408-394-7226.

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

18 Hole Golf

We had the first round of an eclectic tournament at Santa Clara in January and the second round was rained out. This format entails playing the same course twice and then using your best score on each hole to determine your eclectic score. We finished the second round on February 12th at Los Lagos. The Winner with gross 80 net 51 was Paul Goodwin followed by Bob Pastorino with net 55 and Jeff Bautista with net 57.

The golfer of the year standings show some new leaders this year.

Walt Marwitz	14
Carl Mendel	14
Wally Anderson	13
Paul Goodwin	10

March will be coordinated by Bob Pastorino (510) 755-5524

5 – Santa Teresa

12 – Las Lagos

19 – Gilroy

26 – Regional at Spring Hills in Watsonville

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

MARCH SPEAKER

“The Science and Strategies of Baseball”

Horace Hines, Ph. D

Baseball is a game of probabilities and Dr. Hines likes understanding both the strategies and the physics of what is going on. He hopes his talk will give us a better appreciation of the advantages the baseball pitcher has over the hitters and how hard it is to get a hit. Just in time for Baseball Season!

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

January 10th 4 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: Jim Anderson, Tom Birley 32

2nd Low Net: Dave Riopel 33

3rd Low Net: Bob Hebson 34

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

January 31st 5 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: John Howard 32

2nd Low Net: Henry Crossfield 33

3rd Low Net: Jim Anderson, Dave Riopel 34

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

February 7th 6 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: John Howard 30

2nd Low Net: Henry Crossfield 32

3rd Low Net: Don Stuedeman 34

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

February 14th 4 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: Don Stuedeman, Tom Birley 30

2nd Low Net: Dave Riopel 31

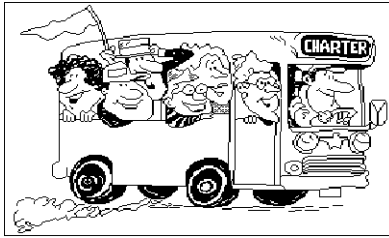
3rd Low Net: John Howard 34

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENT

Volunteer Photographer Needed

Duties include taking pictures of speakers and members. Optional duties include occasionally visiting activities and documenting them with pictures for the web page and other Branch publications. Contact the Big Sir.



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.

April 27 – Ruby Hill Wine Tour and Tasting: Join us for a unique two-hour tour of the Ruby Hill Vineyards in Livermore on the Mello Cielo, a vintage school bus with 14 swivel chairs made of old wine barrels. Along the way we will learn the history of Ruby Hill Winery, visit the modern on-site production facility, and see the wine making process from vine to bottle as undertaken by wine maker Jesse Plautz and his experienced cellar crew. Throughout the tour, we will sample a few of the current vintages as well as some still aging in the barrel. The culmination of the tour is a sit-down food and wine pairing at the historic water tower. This is a private tour for 8 to 14 people. We plan to go together in a 15-passenger van. The cost is expected to be \$60. A no host lunch in Livermore is also a possibility. Call one of the travel chairmen if you are interested.

IN MEMORIAM

Branch 62 member Dan Freitas has passed away.

BRIDGE CLUB

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 6th and 20th of March and the 3rd of April. The hosts will be Bob Lowery, Jim Hohenshelt, and Leon Kowaleski, respectively. We will need a volunteer to host a location for our game on the 6th of March since Roger's office will not be available due to Tax Season. For that matter, for all of March and the first week in April, we will need volunteers to host the location.

At our last session, we had a Small Slam bid and made by Jim Hohenshelt and Jeff Bautista. They were rewarded by receiving a KFC Gift Certificate for making the small slam.

We had our first coed bridge session on the last Tuesday of February. All enjoyed the games of bridge and will continue to do so on the last Tuesday of the months to come.

We normally 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

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.

BOCCE BALL

Four Sirs gathered for Bocce on February 9th. The next outing is March 9th at 1 PM