



**Big Sir Report** 

#### My fellow Sirs: IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE MONTHLY LUNCHEON.

The BEC has decided to accept the offer of Branch 54 to hold a combined luncheon with them at the Three Flames Restaurant on Meridian in San Jose (much as was done during the height of COVID) on the second Thursday of each month at noon (social hour at 11:00) until further notice. The cost of the luncheon will be \$22.00. In order to hold the cost down to this price, the menu item will be a Chef's Special. The chef will inform us what that will specifically consist of a few days before the luncheon is held.

In order to be able to present the needed quantity of food for the group, Three Flames will require a hard count of attendees 48+ hours before the event. A 'hard count' means that if you say you are going to attend and don't, we will be charged for your meal anyway. Should that occur, our group will need to charge you anyway. That means that tickets will not automatically roll over to the next month as has been the process at Holder's. Therefore:

1. Prepaid tickets for the next month's luncheon will be sold at the event (same as we have done in the past).

# September 2022

# The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of Sunnyvale Branch # 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity in Retirement

Meets on the second Thursday of the month. (A Joint Meeting with Branch 54) Three Flames Restaurant 1547 Meridian Avenue San Jose, CA 95125

Next Meeting: Thursday September 8, 2022 Social Hour 11 AM Lunch at 12 noon

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81733752578?pwd= WXZoSjJFTmxHUEY1a2FUR2ZsRko1Zz09

Meeting ID: 817 3375 2578 Password: 673989

### **Lunch Ordering Information**

Please see the Big Sir Letter for this information.

Little Sir Contact Information Barry Boole 284 W. Eaglewood Ave. Sunnyvale, CA 94085-3662 408-505-5670 (Leave a message) bboole@aol.com

- 2. A ticket purchased in advance will only be rolled over to the next month if the Little Sir (Barry Boole 408.505.5670 leave a voicemail if he doesn't answer) is contacted sufficiently ahead of time (noon Monday before the event) to allow your meal to be added to the count.
- 3. To be added to the count without a prepaid ticket contact the Little Sir (same provisos as in #2 above).

For September's luncheon, unused August tickets will be honored (the \$6 difference in purchase price and meal cost will be refunded or deducted from the advanced purchase of November's ticket). However, August ticketholders must contact the Little Sir whether planning to use the ticket in September or planning to roll it over, so that we know which way to include you in the count. Continued on page 5.

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#### SONS IN RETIREMENT, INCORPORATED

#### Sunnyvale Branch #62 ROOSTER is published monthly.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS: If you do not attend five (5) meetings without a suitable excuse within the last twelve (12) months, you may be dropped from the membership. You can attend another Branch's Luncheon as a makeup for missing our Luncheon.

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All tours and activities arranged for or by Sons In Retirement, Inc. through its branches and committees or agents are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. However, Sons In Retirement, Inc., and its branches, do not assume any responsibility for the well being and safety of the participants or their property in matters pertaining to said tours and activities.v3 Members and guests will participate at their own risk. V2jmcg

#### Sick Call & Condolence Notification:

Please report illnesses or the passing of any Branch 62 Member to the Sunshine Committee: Wally Anderson, (408) 736-6408, so that Branch 62 may respond. *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.

BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!

BE ACTIVE !!.. <u>HAVE FUN!!..</u>

## **Bocce and Cornhole**

The September outings are as follows:

Thursday September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2PM at Questa Park; Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2PM at Almaden Lake.

Please join us for a great time. Guys and Gals are welcome. Wally Anderson Bocce and Cornhole Coordinator

#### September Speaker

Elli Tehrani will speak to us about a program where, if you are hearing impaired, you can have a telephone installed that will help you understand telephone speech much better.

#### Bridge

We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month at Roger Falberg's office, 3375 Scott Blvd. office 332 in Santa Clara to play in person. On the other Tuesdays, we play online using Bridge Base Online browser app.

We play every week on Tuesdays at 1:30. Roger Falberg organizes the play and sends each player the table positions and hosts prior to our gathering time for either on line or face to face play. If you want to join us, let Roger know ahead of time so he can arrange the player tables.

John Dieckman – Bridge Publicist

Membership Report Active Members 52 August Meeting Attendance 16

#### **18 Hole Golf**

We had some missing golfers due to continuing health challenges. Turnout was low all month. In one instance, only 4 golfers could play.

There was a regional event at Pacific Grove with 9 golfers participating. It was two tournaments, fourman/2 best ball and a regional qualifier to go to the State Championships. There were 2 four-man teams and the one with Anderson, Marwitz, Doyle and Pastorino missed the money by one stroke. Makes one wonder-- who missed the 2-foot putt? The other team also played and was out of the money by 10 strokes – oh well! Our lone qualifier, Paul Goodwin, missed the cut by 6 strokes even being net par after 7 holes and doesn't want to talk about it. (Talk about falling apart!) On the bright side, Walt Marwitz won the closest to the pin on #17 (over water no less). Great weather though.

Our TC for September, Bob Pastorino, came up with a great idea for holidays. Since we play on Monday, there are several holidays that give the courses an opportunity to charge more. I think we should follow his lead this month, and schedule games for the following Wednesday as he did for September. Several guys play on Wednesday anyway and that should boost the turnout.

<u>Tournament Coordinator for September is Bob</u> <u>Pastorino</u> Sep 7 – Los Lagos (on Wed. due to holiday) Sep 12 – San Jose Sep 19 – Spring Valley Sep 26 – Pajaro Valley Area Tournament

Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chairman



September 5<sup>th</sup>



#### SIR TRAVEL – BRANCH 62 Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt (408 394-7226). jim\_hohenshelt@yahoo.com Assistant: Roy Jordan (408 735-8765) jordan\_roy\_s@yahoo.com

We have gotten word from State SIR of some 2023 trips. **Ireland and Northern Ireland**, April 14-27, 2023, (limited to 24 participants). \$5395 pp/dbl occ., \$6195 single. **Autumn Colors trip to East Coast**, Oct. 13-22, 2023. \$4330 pp/dbl. occ. plus air fare to be added in December. Roy has the contact information to get brochures and additional information.

**Reminder:** Trips organized by SIR are available to SIR members, their spouses, siblings, children, grandchildren, also to guests and widows of SIR members.



### 9 Hole Golf

Nine Hole Golf has been suspended for the time being. Tom Birley, 9 Hole Golf Chairman

#### **SIR Bowling**

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The winner of the  $2^{nd}$  half of the Summer League was Team # 7. Next week the roll off for  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  place will be between Team #4 and Team #7.

	Men	Women
Scratch Series:	659 Lynn Grilley	470 Mary Roth
Scratch Game:	241 Tom Birley	180 Gwen Jeong
Handicap Series	s: 683 Jack Pettygrov	e 652 Dottie Birley
Handicap Game	e: 276 Don Paulson 2	238 Ursel Turner

238 Ruth Pettygrove

Lynn Grilly, Bowling Publicist

#### **Meeting Cash Awards**

Remember that, in addition to one \$25 cash birthday award at our Monthly Luncheon Meeting; there will be one additional \$25 cash attendance award. Remember, you must be present on Zoom or in person to be eligible to receive an award. Be involved and have a shot at these riches.

#### **August Winners:**

Birthday Award: None Attendance Award: Walt Strach

#### **September Birthdays**

Fred Carlson	$4^{\text{th}}$	Carl Mendel	$5^{\text{th}}$
Bruce Edmundson	$23^{rd}$	Dave Riopel	$20^{\text{th}}$
John McGuire	$30^{\text{th}}$	Mike Sanchez	$12^{\text{th}}$

### Branch 62 Web Site

Have you visited our web site lately? Want to read the joke from the luncheon? Need to contact the speaker? Forgot the luncheon's speaker details? Want to read back issues of the Rooster? Get all of this and more on our Web Site at: https://sirinc2.org/branch62/index.php

Heber Slusser <a href="mailto:branch62sir@gmail.com">branch62sir@gmail.com</a>

### Wine Tasting

Jim Hohenshelt held a wine tasting event at his home on August 19<sup>th</sup>. A good time was had by all who attended.

No wine tasting activities are currently scheduled.

Dave Riopel, Wine Tasting Program Coordinator.

# Help Needed!!

Volunteers are needed in Branch 62: Newsletter Editor RAMP Activities Chairman Transportation Health & Safety

Increase your enjoyment by actively participating in our branch. We are 100% dependent on volunteers. Being a volunteer will help you become more acquainted with other members and provide the satisfaction of helping your fellow members.

### In Memoriam



Jerry Ammerman

1928-2022

Big Sir 1987

### Walking Program

Tom Chatfield has organized a Branch Walking Group. Contact Tom at 408-736-8044 or by e-mail at <u>tchatfield761@gmail.com</u> if you have an interest or comments.

## SIR 62 Fishing Program



On July 29, 2022 three brave fishermen faced the challenges of early hours and a weather forecast of clear skies with occasional blue clouds and a suffering temperature of up to 74 degrees and went fishing to Sandy Wool Lake. Even though the lake hadn't been planted with fish since March, we kept our expectations low. When we arrived, we saw that the lake level was down to about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of its total depth (it is a shallow lake) and the water temperature was about that of a warm swimming pool but that didn't deter us at all. We got plenty of casting practice as well as snag untangling. The company was great and we solved most of the world's problems (unfortunately, we seem to have forgotten our solutions). After catching our limit (of sun), we ate pizza at Giorgio's Italian Food Milpitas. The pizza was interesting and, again, the company was great (what do you expect with SIR?). We returned home around 1:00 PM, just in time to complete the "honey do's" that we thought we got out of.

#### Salmon Fishing in Alaska 2023

The Fishing Activity is currently planning a Salmon/Halibut/Rock Fish trip to Ketchikan, Alaska in the last weeks of June 2023. If you are interested, please contact Heber Slusser or Wally Anderson. It will be an enjoyable adventure (even if you don't fish). Last year we saw whales, sharks, sea lions, orca, numerous sea birds including a rare puffin. Ketchikan is best known for three things: feisty salmon, idyllic scenery, and an incredibly rich Alaska Native culture.

Big Sir Letter, continued from page 1.

For November and onward, an advance ticket will be included in the count **unless** the Little Sir is contacted to roll it over.

This process will more nearly represent what we used to do at Mariani's rather than what we were recently doing at Holder's. It shouldn't be difficult, but it may take a while to get (re)used to it.

Thank you, Your Big Sir, Steve Burnham

## Abstract of Minutes of the August 11<sup>th</sup> Branch Executive Committee (BEC)

Big Sir, Steve Burnham discussed the issue of allowing Women as members. As Phil Thomas was not present, this was postponed.

Steve opened the discussion about a replacement meeting location now that Holder's has burned down. Wally Anderson discussed the available options including the Blue Pheasant, Michaels, Fiorello's, Hobees, Taco Bravo and jointly with Branch 54 at Three Flames. It was decided to approach Jim Knapp (Temp Big Sir of Branch 54) and ask.

**Membership Chairman/Web Master: Heber Slusser:** Heber had presented Form 27 via email for approval. Upon a motion by Roger Falberg and Seconded by Barry Boole, Form 27 was approved.

**Treasurer Roger Falberg:** Roger said that there are still 10 members who have not paid their dues for this year. He asked if we should remove them from the active members list. Upon a motion by John Dieckman and seconded by Barry Boole, this was approved.

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