



Big Sir Report

My fellow Sirs:

We had our fourth meeting and luncheon at the Blue Pheasant Restaurant in Cupertino in May, with 21 members and 5 guests attending. The food and service were once again very good. We had a great presentation by Mr. J. Campbell Scott, who gave us the history of climate science, the effect of carbon buildup, and ideas of how we can help make changes.

Good news! We have secured **Black Bear Diner** in Sunnyvale for our meetings beginning in July. More room, good food, easy walk in, and lots of parking.

By the time you read this, we will be making final plans for our Ortega Park Ladies Day Picnic on June 13th. Heber is still looking for volunteers to help with the event. It will require a lot of hands to make it successful, so please let him know how you can help. I look forward to seeing you all there!

On the recruiting front, the Branch 62 recruiters have been successful in bringing in more new members. We welcomed new member Clay Carrell, and had a few potential candidates at the May luncheon. Great work, everyone!

Our outdoor activities have continued in full swing. 18 Hole and 9 Hole Golf continue going strong, thanks to our coordinators Paul and Wally, those participating, and the great Spring weather.

In conclusion, a reminder that it's everyone's job to bring in new members to join us in our fun.

Regards,

Mike Miller
2024 Big Sir

June 2024

The ROOSTER

The Monthly Newsletter of
Sunnyvale Branch # 62
SONS IN RETIREMENT

**A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men
Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity
in Retirement**

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at:

Black Bear Diner
414 E El Camino Real
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Next Luncheon is Thursday July 11, 2024

Social Hour 11:00 AM Lunch 12:00

**Zoom Link: Zoom is available by request. Contact
Heber Slusser a few days in advance of the meeting.**

(June is our annual picnic. See p.4 for info.)

July Lunch Ordering Info

Tickets are sold in advance of the monthly lunch. If possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the luncheon meeting preceding the one you plan to attend. For those who have not purchased an advance ticket for the luncheon, you must contact Bruce Edmundson via email or call him to indicate your intent to attend the luncheon. Payment (\$32) may be made at the door.

Bruce Edmundson

The July Menu is found on page 4.

OFFICERS

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Attendance	Tom Birley	Lunch Tickets	Roy Jordan
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Awards	Bob Byers		Mike Miller
	Tom Birley	Nominations	Phil Thomas
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Bocce Ball	Wally Anderson	Photographer	Bob Pastorino
Book Swap	Lynn Grilley	Program	John Dieckman
Bowling	Tom Birley		Bruce Edmundson
	Phil Thomas	Property	Henry Crossfield
	Lynn Grilley	RAMP	
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Chaplain	Hugh Moore	<u>Recruitment</u>	Jeff Bautista
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Condolence	Wally Anderson	<u>Activities</u>	Need Volunteer
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Fishing	Heber Slusser	SIR Logo Items	Phil Thomas
	Wally Anderson	Songster	Roger Falberg
Golf, 9 Hole	Wally Anderson	Special Events	Bob Byers
		Sunshine	Wally Anderson
Golf, 18 Hole	Paul Goodwin	Transportation	Need Volunteer
Greeter	Dave Riopel	Travel	Jim Hohenshelt
Guests & Visitors	Dave Riopel		Roy Jordan
Historian	Wally Anderson		Wally Anderson
Humorist	Paul Goodwin	Wine Tasting	Dave Riopel

STATE OFFICERS

State President: Dale Decker

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Sick Call & Condolence Notification:

Please report illnesses or the passing of any Branch 62 Member to the Sunshine Committee: Wally Anderson, so that Branch 62 may respond.

Rooster:

If you haven't received the "Rooster" by mail by the 10th of the month, call John McGuire (408) 781-0381. If you haven't received the "Rooster" by e-mail, let John McGuire know.

BE A SIR!!! BE COMMITTED!!!

BE ACTIVE!!! HAVE FUN!!

Bocce and Cornhole

If anyone is interested in playing Bocce or Cornhole, contact Wally for the equipment.

Wally Anderson, Bocce/Cornhole Coordinator

Bridge

We meet on the first and third Tuesdays at Roger Falberg's home, 751 Silver Pine Court in Sunnyvale to play in person. On the other Tuesdays, we play online using the Bridge Base Online browser app.

We play every week on Tuesday at 1:30. Roger Falberg organizes the games for both the in person and online games. If you would like to play, let Roger Falberg know and he will work you into the game.

John Dieckman, Bridge Publicist

THE TOM CHATFIELD WALK

Roy Jordan

The June 2024 Tom Chatfield walks will continue on the second and fourth Fridays, June 14 and 28. For this month the starting point will be the Blackberry Farm golf course parking lot, off Stevens Creek Boulevard in the hollow between Foothill Boulevard and De Anza College, at 9:30 AM. The walks will proceed out the Stevens Creek trail either to McClellan Road or on to Linda Vista Park, depending on the mood of the walkers.

If you would like a nice walk on either of these days, or have questions, please contact Roy Jordan. You could just show up, but if you make contact beforehand, we can tip you off for cancellation (although rain looks unlikely for several months).

Walking is good for you.

18 HOLE GOLF

Walt Marwitz – Golf Reporter



SIR 18 Hole May Recap

As a number of the 18 Hole regulars were vacationing out of the state, we had a light turnout for our outings during the month of May. Although only one foursome played at each of the Sunnyvale Muni and Deep Cliff courses, excellent weather and course conditions contributed to a good time for all, regardless of the inevitable double bogies that incredibly seem to mystically appear on our scorecards. We will have finished the month out at the Los Gatos GC on Wednesday the 29th.

However, expectations for June golf are optimistic with venues at San Jose Muni, Pacific Grove Golf Links, Spring Valley and Santa Teresa GCs on the list. Bob Pastorino will be the June Tournament Chair and is looking forward to seeing you out there.

June Birthdays

Jeff Bautista Paul Cole Frank Doyle
Steve Burnham Lynn Grilley
Phil Thomas Jim Hohenshelt
Bob Pastorino Jack Pettygrove

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A \$25 cash birthday award is drawn at our Monthly Luncheon Meeting. Birthday boys must be present on Zoom or in person to be eligible to receive the award.

The May birthday winner was Henry Crossfield.
(We will do June and July drawings at the July meeting)

BRANCH 62 TRAVEL

Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt

Assistant: Roy Jordan

Romance of the Rhine & Mosel River Cruise

July 6 – July 21, 2025

We are looking for interest in a cruise of the Rhine and Mosel Rivers from Basel Switzerland to Antwerp Belgium. Along the way we cruise by many fine castles, towns and sights such as the Lorelei rock, with stops in Strasbourg. Speyer, Boppard, Bernkastel and Trier (on the Mosel), Cochem, Bonn, Nijmegen, Willemstad, ending in Antwerp, Belgium. Prices (pp. double occupancy) start at \$6345 (\$7045 with a balcony). Prices include round-trip air fare from SFO. Single supplement is \$895. There is a 4-day pre-trip to Lucerne, Switzerland for \$1295/person and a 3-day post-trip to Bruges, Belgium for \$995/person available. Discounts are available for early sign-up and early payment.

If interested, contact **Jim Hohenshelt** at **408-394-7226**, or **Roy Jordan** at **408-735-8765** and let's talk. Maybe we can make this happen.

See our SIR Travel website for all trip info:
www.branch62.sirinc2.org/Travel/Travel.php

9 HOLE GOLF

Wally Anderson

Come join us!

Join us for a fun morning and some exercise.

We're having a great time playing Sunken Gardens on Wednesday and Blackberry Farm the next, usually followed by a nice lunch.

We play every Wednesday

Contact Wally to get on the mailing list.

SIR Bowling

President **Vice President** **Publicist**
Tom Birley *Phil Thomas* *Lynn Grilley*



After week 6 of the 4th quarter, Team #4 is in 1st place with 18 wins and 6 losses. Team #5 is in 2nd place with 17 wins and 7 losses.

Team #4 bowlers are Nina Middaugh, Pat Hutton and Phil Thomas. Team #5 bowlers are Eleanor Barrett, Donna Diehl, and Steve Bishop.

Season High Scores are listed below.

	MEN	WOMEN
Scratch Series	Steve Bishop 650	Pat Hutton 517
Scratch Game	Lynn Grilley 237	Ruth Pettygrove 190
Handicap Series	Jay Mark 696	Nina Middaugh 680
Handicap Game	Jack Pettygrove 262	Helen Rossler 256

Check the Branch 62 Bowling website for current team standings:

<https://www.branch62.sirinc2.org/Bowling/Bowling.php>

Lynn Grilley

May Report

Membership 40
 Meeting Attendance 20 Guests 5
 New Members 1

July Luncheon Menu

1. Bacon Cheddar Burger
2. Chicken Cobb Salad
3. Tuna Melt
4. Turkey Club

June Guest Speaker

No guest speaker in June. Let's share our own great stories at the picnic!

Wine Tasting

We will have an event in the near future. Watch for an announcement in your email.

Dave Riopel – Wine Publicist

Branch 62 Web Site:

<https://sirinc2.org/branch62/index.php>



*******IT'S PICNIC TIME*******

**Join SIR Branch 62's Picnic at
 Ortega Park on June 13th.**

**Bring a dessert & get a chance to win
 a prize.**

Chicken and beef will be grilled!

This is a BYOB affair.

Cold bottled water will be served.

Location: 636 Harrow Way, Sunnyvale

If you haven't yet committed to come, contact:

Paul Goodwin

so that we can get a good head count. The ticket price is \$32. You will need to pay for any guests as well as yourself. Paul will add you and your guest to the attendance headcount and collect your fees at the picnic. Your receipt for the tickets will be one ticket per person for the raffle. AND Paul will also be selling additional raffle tickets at the Picnic.

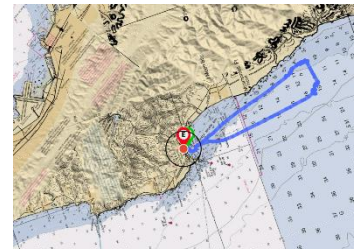
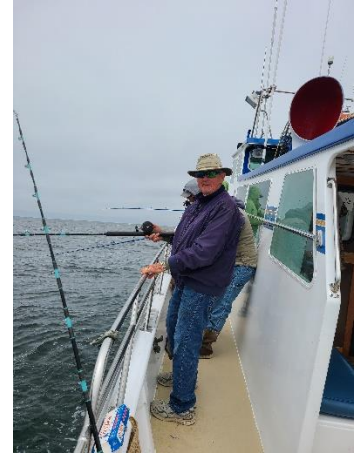
Fishing Adventures Are Back!

After taking a brief hiatus, we're thrilled to announce that we're ramping up our fishing excursions this year! We kicked off the season with an incredibly enjoyable Rock Fishing trip aboard the Queen of Hearts out of Princeton (Half Moon Bay).

Wally and I had an amazing time catching our limits of brown rockfish, along with a lingcod and a vermillion. The weather was perfect for fishing—cool, overcast, and completely calm, with no wind to contend with.

We invite you to join us for more fishing fun this year. Whether you're a seasoned angler or a newcomer, there's nothing like the thrill of a great catch and the camaraderie of fellow fishing enthusiasts. Stay tuned for more details on upcoming trips and get ready to cast your lines for an unforgettable adventure.

Heber Slusser



Join Our Recruiting Efforts:

Your Participation Makes a Difference!

Our recruiting efforts are in full swing and proving to be highly successful. To maintain this momentum, we need the participation of all our members. Word of mouth remains our most effective tool, so please reach out to your friends, acquaintances, neighbors, and family members.

We've also seen great success with our booths at the De Anza Flea Market and the Sunnyvale Farmer's Market. These events are excellent opportunities to connect with potential new members, and we always appreciate volunteers to help staff our booths.

If you're interested in lending a hand, please contact Heber Slusser. Together, we can continue to grow and thrive!

Heber Slusser

The May BEC and Luncheon meeting minutes may be accessed on our website at:

[Branch 62 May 2024 Meeting Minutes](#)



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