

# Sons in Retirement



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## Big SIR sez:

Those of you, approximately 60% of the membership, in attendance at the May luncheon were asked to complete a brief poll of speaker topic preference to assist the Speaker Committee Chairman, Ken Christie, in his selection process. The results of the survey are in, and will be used for future speaker selection. By implementing a rating system to measure the results, we find that the two most popular topics are sports (72 points), and history (70 points), followed by science (56 points), and aviation (52 points). Business (45 points), military (36 points), and travel (34 points) round out the top seven topics. The last ten, consumer, law enforcement, medical, news, show business, seniors, civil service, children, non-profits, and environment, in that order trailed. Members not at the May meeting wishing to add their votes to the poll should contact Ken. Having the responsibility last year for selecting speakers, I know that this data will be of import to Ken, and future Speaker Committee members in their selection process. Thanks to one and all for your inputs.

It is not too early to be thinking of next year's branch officer and director positions. One slot that needs filling is that of Secretary. Regretably, Bill Chamberlin has advised he must retire from the post due to family health issues. This important position, which includes Board

membership, has, as its primary responsibility, the preparation and distribution of the official Board meeting minutes. Please contact Bill, Fred VanKirk, or me, for further information regarding this post.

Summer is upon us. Enjoy!

Ted

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## SPEAKER

Speakers for our June meeting are Duncan Eng and Edward Rusnak of

### Lunch, June 24th

Salads: spinach with mushroom and egg,

Caesar, and tomatoes vinaigrette,

pasta primavera; fresh seasonal fruit and cheese

Entrees: roast turkey and beef Stroganoff

Dessert: ice cream

Lincoln Financial Advisors/Sagemark Consulting. Their title is: "Putting Today's Market in Perspective." They will discuss issues of asset protection in this volatile economy and other investment items.

Prior to joining Sagemark Consulting, Duncan held numerous financial management positions with General Electric Company in various parts of the country. Duncan graduated from Bentley College

with a B.S. in Accountancy with highest honors. He is also a graduate of the General Electric Financial Management Program.

Duncan is an active member of the Tri-County Apartment Association. He is a past president of the associate committee as well as a current member of the Board of Directors. He is also a contributing writer on financial planning matters to the association's magazine. Duncan resides in Los Gatos, California, with Ilse, his wife, and their daughter.

Ed joined Lincoln Financial Services in 2005 to assist business owners and families make better decisions in the areas of wealth management, retirement income planning, risk management and estate planning. He works with his clients to create comprehensive financial plans and provide solutions that meet their unique needs and objectives.

Ed holds an MBA in Finance from Rochester Institute of Technology, FINRA Series 7 and 66 registrations, and California Insurance License. He is also a member of National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA), Career Club Qualifier and Vice-President Seminar Qualifier.

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## Attendance Report

Attendance this month was better than

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last month with a total 60 members and 2 guests present. The speaker, Jim Clifford, gave an interesting talk about the news media and the outlook for the future of the newspaper industry. It's too bad that some of you missed this. Maybe next month.  
Ray Odell, Attendance Chairman

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**Membership**

May 27, 2009

**In Memory of: Barney Ross #390**

**New members:** Charles J. Michel #7

**Membership Changes:** None

**Membership Status:**

Active: \_\_\_ 106

Waiting: \_\_\_ 2 : Norman M. Nazzal #12, John R. Sluis #22

Inactive: \_\_\_ 10 (2 no Bulletin)

Widows on mailing list: \_3

**Current Mailing List:**

152, 93 by email and 59 by snail mail.

**Member Record Updates:** None

*Al Stratz ,*  
Membership Chairman

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**July**

**Birthdays**

Wendell B. Alexander	7/12
Gordon E. Brandt	7/13
George F. Brown	7/7
John J. Corrigan	7/24
Wilbur D. Dettner	7/10
Azmi J. Habib	7/11
William T. Homan	7/25
John Stefanki	7/14
Robert V. Liljegen	7/10
Wallace K. D. Leung	7/14

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Board**

2009-5-27

1. The meeting was called to order

by Big SIR Ted Hinshaw at 10:00 AM, 2009-05-27

2. A quorum was confirmed.
3. No additions nor corrections to the minutes of the last meeting were made.
4. There were no visitors nor guests other than the speaker.
5. Big SIR Report.

A. Inactive members census: Al Stratz issued a sheet entitled "Contributions not paid 2009".

He will contact those who have not made their voluntary contribution. The status of members of the Golf group was questioned, and it was pointed out that the Golf Group was a subsidiary group of Branch 5, and that members of the Golf group should also be members of Branch 5.

B. Baseball games. Those interested should contact Big SIR Ted Hinshaw.

C. Plans for the summer picnic and Christmas party where guests are invited were discussed. Ted Hinshaw will check with Calvin Cook, who has handled these events in the past, to be sure that such items as reservation for the facility, menu, wine for gifts and prizes have been made.

6. Secretary's Report: Thanks to Howard Hushbeck for doing the minutes during my absence last month. No report this month.

7. Treasurer's report : A Form 28 Sons In Retirement Monthly Cash Report for April, 2009 was issued by Donald Harryman.

8. Committee Chairman's Reports

A. Membership: Al Stratz presented list of those not contributing. He will contact them to see if they wish to be more responsible. The Golf activity is a program of the SIR 5 Branch, so participants should be members of the Branch.

B. Attendance/ Budget: Ray Odell reported that the attendance last month of 55 was the lowest yet.

C. Travel: Joe Ames reported that there were only four people on the last trip, and the only two from Branch 5 were Joe and his wife.

D. Greeters: Dan Haley: No report.

E. Member Contact: Howard Trudeau: No report.

F. Revenuers: Pete LoPresto: No Report.

G. Parliamentarian: Al Gardner: No Report.

H Holiday parties: Cal Cook: Absent.

I Webmaster: Ed Nazzal: No Report.

J. Bulletin: Les Spring: No report

K. Golf.: Kamel Totah: See 8.A above.

L. Special Proj/Good Sam: Howard Hushbeck: No Report.

M. Compusir: Emmett Hearn: 9.

10. Area Governor: Not present.

11. Region 5 Director: Not present.

12. Old Business: None.

13. Call for Adjournment: MSP 11:10 AM

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**GOLF**

Sunnyvale May 7

Loos	91-22=69
Nazzal Adel	92-23=69
Stevens	95-26=69
Habib	101-37=64
Trudeau	98-32=66
Austin	101-32=69

CTTP #4 N. NAZZAL CTTP # 13 AUSTIN

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Santa Clara May 14

Stevens 93-26=67  
 Kraemer 86-16=70  
 Nazzal Adel 96-23=73

Austin 101-32=69  
 Richter 108-35=73  
 Nazzal Jiries 106-31=75

CTTP #8 STEVENS CTPP #  
 13 HABIB

Moffett May 21

Nazzal Adel 91-25=66  
 Totah 103-32=71  
 Stevens 102-28=74

Nazzal Jiries 104-33=71  
 Van Kirk 110-39=71  
 Kazul 106-33=73

CTTP #7 STEVENS CTPP #  
 15 KRAEMER

Spring Valley May 28  
 Stevens 89-25=64  
 Kraemer 86-16=70  
 Swanson 91-19=72

Nazzal Jiries 97-30=67  
 Trudeau 100-31=69  
 Austin 101-31=70

No closest to the pins were made. What is it with this course?

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**CompuSIR**

**Chairman,**

**Jim Dinkey, Branch 35**

**The CompuSIR group meets the second Wednesday of each month at noon for a brown bag lunch at the**

**Los Altos Legion Hall ,  
 347 First Street, Los Altos. The following speakers are currently scheduled:**

Our speaker will be Jeff Peterson will show us how to convert 8mm movies and 35mm slides to digital media.

**July 8th** - Hank Skawinski. Will cover the current state of the art and suggestions for safe computing.

**August 12th** - Gene Barlow in an interactive video conference on backing up your hard drive using Acronis True Image Home 2009 (version 12)

**September 9th** – roundtable/panel discussion regarding how to change your e-mail using your domain to avoid problems when changing ISP; using whois; etc. Jim will address the problem of leaving one ISP for another.

**October 14th** - Red Calub (general Manager of Micro Center) will discuss what is coming down the line and Christmas suggestions.

**November 11th** - Hank Skawinski

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**TRAVEL NEWS FOR AREA 16, BRANCHES 5, 35, & 51**

**CANCELLED**

Sep 22 – Oct 1, 2009 10 days  
**SHADES of IRELAND** (Kiss the Blarney Stone & More!)  
 \$3044pp dbl Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387

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**PRICE REDUCED – SIGNUP NOW – GOOD CABINS LEFT!**

Oct 12 – 23, 2009 12 Days  
**MEXICAN RIVIERA CRUISE** (Round Trip from San Francisco)  
**\$1015 – 1545pp dbl**

Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387  
**NEW!! Optional shore trip to COPPER CANYON**

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Aug 28 – Sep 7, **2010** 11 Days  
**PASSION PLAY in OBERAMMERGAU & GERMAN HI-LIGHTS**  
 \$4795pp dbl (**Note Price Increase**) Escort: Talbot Tours 408-879-0101

**\$200 Refundable Reservation Deposit!**

Call the Escorts for Complete Information and Reservations for the trips.  
 (See Flyers for details)

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**Bowling BRANCHES 5, 35, & 51**

We Bowl Every Thursday. Come Join Us: Palo Alto Bowl 4329 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, Practice at 12:45, Bowl at 1:00. Contact Bill Finkemeier, Branch 51, 650-323-2177.

**Scores for May**

High Series Scratch  
 Tim Eastman 480  
 High Game Scratch  
 Bob Beuttler 178  
 High Series Handicap  
 Bob Beuttler 609  
 High Game Handicap  
 Bob Beuttler 234

Bill Finkemeier

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**Biking**

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**Jerry Butler – (650)494-8078**  
**[GXB366@aol.com](mailto:GXB366@aol.com)**

2nd Thursday— June 11, 11:00 AM , Wives and guests welcome

Coyote Creek Trail (South San Jose) ; Rain Cancels; Helmet Required

Ride: We will ride the Coyote Creek Trail starting from the Holiday Inn-San Jose-Silicon Valley . The ride will be about 6 miles to the Coyote Creek Golf Course. We will go past the golf course another 3 miles to a model airplane launching site, then double back to the golf course club house for lunch. After lunch we will ride back to the Holiday Inn for a total of 18 flat miles, round trip. For those who

want a shorter ride, they may omit the ride to the airplane site, thus reducing the roundtrip to 12 miles.

Directions: The Holiday Inn is located South of San Jose, one block east of highway 101 and just north of the highway 101/ 85 interchange. The directions are the same whether coming on highway 101 or 85: Take the Bernal Rd. exit. Turn left on Bernal Rd. , which becomes Silicon Valley Blvd after crossing over 101. Turn left on the service road next to the Holiday Inn and park there.

To ride or for information, please contact Jerry Butler (above) or Tom Gregory, 650-493-8894, [tgreg@surfree.com](mailto:tgreg@surfree.com).

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