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Big SIR sez:

Congratulations to those of you who attended our October meeting where we were rewarded with a top notch speaker, Mark Hylkema, from the California State Parks Department, who gave a very polished talk on early California history.

We should fare well in the speaker department this month as well since our branch secretary, Bill Chamberlin's son, Paul, will be telling us about the perils related to his job as a Smoke Jumper.

Also, an induction ceremony for the 2010 Branch #5 Executive Committee members will take place at the November meeting.

Please do not forget that the date of the meeting is Nov. 18.

Finally, the menu choices for December's Holiday Party, slated for Dec.16, will be available.

Speaking of the Holiday Party, our Program Chair-

man, John Geibel, has selected a barbershop quartet of some renown to entertain us. John is requesting groups that want to dine together to nominate a table captain to submit a list of table occupants to him as soon as it's complete.

Finally, in preparation for the publication of the 2010 Roster, each member is requested to review his per-

Lunch, November 18th

Today's luncheon will be our normal Thanksgiving feed, Turkey, dressing, etc.

sonal data in the 2009 Roster to validate its accuracy. Copies of the roster may be obtained at the Nov. meeting at the entry table. If you're unable to attend, and are unsure of the roster data, please call our Membership Chairman, Al Stratz, at 948-0490, or email him at astratz@sbcglobal.net.

Wishing everyone the happiest of holidays.

Ted

SPEAKER

Not info available... Sure to be a good one, though.

Attendance Report

October 28 Luncheon

We did some better this month than last month with 55 members, 1 guest and 1 visitor present for a total attendance of 57. Better, but we could do better. We only record attendance one more month this year so work on being present November 18. I repeat November 18, not the fourth Wednesday which is the day before Thanksgiving. See you then.

Ray Odell

Attendance Chairman

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## **Membership**

October 28, 2009

**In Memory of: John R. Sluis #22**

**New members: None**

**Membership Changes:** None

**Membership Status:**

Active: \_101 Waiting: \_None  
Inactive: \_ 5 (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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**Birthdays**

- John M. Ackerman 12/24
- Jere J. Austin 12/14
- Terrance M. Donovan 12/7
- Robert G. Hertz 12/28
- George Kerber 12/1
- Clifford E. Maurer 12/25
- Bernerd M. Meseth 12/6
- Donald D. Miller 12/17
- Charles T. Minor 12/7
- Raymond T. Odell 12/15
- George D. Omran 12/14
- John B. Raymond 12/23
- LeRoy B. Thornton 12/12

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

**October 28, 2009**

1. Call to order, 10:00 AM
2. A quorum of at least 6 members was confirmed.
3. There were no additions nor corrections to last month's minutes.
4. No visitors nor guests were introduced.
5. At the November meeting the 2010 board members and

new officers will be installed. In the membership poll offered last meeting, there were only 13 responses and no preference had more than 4 votes. This response indicates a lack of interest, so no action will be taken.

Year-end events will follow our normal practice.

6. Secretary's report: None.

7. Treasurer's Report: See attachment # 1.

8. Committee Chairman Reports.

A. Membership: See attachment #2.

B. Attendance/Budget: See attachment # 1.

C. Travel: Joe Ames issued an announcement for a trip to Oregon, and requested board approval. MSP. Joe also said that cruise operators have backup procedures to handle emergencies.

H. Webmaster Ed Nazzal reported that things are ok .

9. Area Governor: Not present.

10. Region 5 Director: Not present.

11. Old Business: Maintaining the masters of the Branch Roster is the duty of the Membership Chairman.

12. Call for adjournment: MSP 11:00 AM.

Bill Chamberlin  
Secretary

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**GOLF**

**Oct 1, 2009**

Sunnyvale

- James Loos 86 net 64 cttp
- Adel Nazzal 91 net 68

Naim Nazzal 89 net 70

Hwang Huang 96 net 64

Kamel Totah 97 net 68

Azmi Habib 105 net 68

James Swanson cttp

**Oct 8, 2009**

Santa Clara

James Stevens 90 Net 65

Jires Nazzal 98 net 70 cttp

Adel Nazzal 93 net 70

Hwang Huang 99 net 67

Jere Austin 102 net 71

Azmi Habib 108 Net 71

James Loos cttp

**Oct 21, 2009**

Shoreline

Jires Nazzal 97 net 68 cttp

Adel Nazzal 93 net 70 cttp

Hwang Huang 105 net 72

**Oct 29, 2009**

Spring Valley

James Swanson 91 net 70

Art Kraemer 89 net 73

Kamel Totah 103 net 75

Jere Austin 98 net 68

Howard Trudeau 107 net 76

Wayne Richter 111 net 76

Naim Nazzal cttp, cttp

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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 ,**

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

**November 11th**

**Kevin Lynn : Two Ways To Upgrade from Vista to Windows 7**

The two Vista-to-Win7 upgrade paths are: □ Upgrading from Vista to Windows 7, or □ Doing a dual-boot clean install with an upgrade version of Windows 7. Kevin uses the second method, which he'll describe in detail at our November 11 meeting. Kevin has been working with Windows 7 for months and will share what he has found so far, including how to avoid problems with Windows 7.

Kevin Lynn has led the Silicon Valley Computer Society (SVCS) Windows & Office SIG for 10 years. He has a blog on the SVUGA.ORG webpage at <http://www.svuga.org/blog/15>. He is a retired Analog semiconductor Applications Engineer, having worked for IT&T Semi, Harris Semi, Intersil, Fujitsu Micro and Micrel Semi. He has been active in home computing since 1980, having designed part of the CP/M board used in the Xerox 820, which was introduced six months before the IBM PC.

**December**—no meeting

**Jan 13**—Cathy Marshall—A pragmatic look at personal digital archiving

**Feb 10**—Planning for a talk about the CES that took place in January, especially about the new

3-D technology.

**NOTE:** SIR's are welcome at either meeting time 12:30 or 7:15 pm. To get on Compusir mailing list :

<http://mailman.svpal.org/mailman/listinfo/compusir16>

OR Jim Dinkey at [jimdinkey@jimdinkey.com](mailto:jimdinkey@jimdinkey.com)

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

COME SPEND NEW YEAR'S EVE WITH US!!

Dec 30 – Jan 3 5 Days **NEW YEAR'S EVE** in (sunny)

ARIZONA

\$1160 – 1675pp dbl

Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387

(Fly or Drive! Your Choice.)

CRUISE on Board the SEA PRINCESS

May 22 – June 1, **2010** 11 Days **ALASKA'S INSIDE PASSAGE (Round Trip from San Francisco)**

\$1416 – 2551pp dbl Es-

cort: Arthur Lloyd 650-851-0998

LOTS TO SEE and DO in OREGON! June 9 – 15 :

7 Days **FESTIVALS & ROSES TOUR (No Flying!)**

\$1425pp dbl : Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387

ONCE EVERY TEN YEARS

Aug 31 – Sep 10, **2010** 11 Days **PASSION PLAY in OBERAMMERGAU & GERMAN**

HI-LIGHTS

\$2838pp dbl + Airfare

Escorted By: 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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**SIRS ON BIKES: SIR Area #16**

Bike rides regularly start at 11:00 AM the 2nd Thursday of the month. Wives and Guests are welcome. **Bring bike, helmet and a jacket if it is windy. Rain will cancel.** Attendance averages 10-15 riders. More are welcome. Rides are planned to be 15-20 miles on paved bicycle trails with some optional ride distances. The pace is moderate and riding on streets is kept to a minimum and include a restaurant lunch break.

**If you plan to ride contact CHAIRMAN ALTERNATE**

Jerry Butler or Tom Gregory 650-494-8078 **OR** 650-493-

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday— November 12, 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

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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 af-

ter crossing over 101. Turn left on the service road next to the Holiday Inn and park there.

Note: There is no ride scheduled for December

**FUTURE RIDES (TBA in January)**

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