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Big SIR sez:

At our June meeting, Jon Richards, a Senior Software Engineer at the SETI Organization, spoke on "Intelligent Life in Our Universe". He described the work being done by SETI and UC Berkeley in this field.

Our August 22nd speaker will be Jeanne K. Smith, professional organizer, speaker, author, and a pioneer in estate organization. She will be speaking on estate organization strategies as part of the estate planning process.

Program Chair Ed Schwabecher has submitted his resignation due to immediate health issues. We wish Ed well and hope that he will be able to regain his health very soon. We thank him for the programs we have enjoyed over the past year.

Our Summer Barbecue is the main event of the Summer Season and will be held on Wednesday. July 25th at the usual time and place. The menu is listed here. Guests are invited to this event, and Howard Trudeau has prepared a special program for us to enjoy. For reservations, call Howard at 408-257-6703 by Friday, July 13th, so that he can have a firm head count for the Chef.

I look forward to seeing all of you then.

Al Stratz Big Sir

SPEAKER

Jeanne K. Smith, professional organizer, speaker, author, and a pioneer in estate organization.

BRANCH 5 SUMMER BARBEQUE JULY 25

GUESTS AND SPOUSES INVITED

MENU CHICKEN AND SANTA MARIA TRI TIP CORN ON THE COB **SALADS** STAWBERRY SHORT-CAKE

RAFFLE PRIZES \$25.00 PER PERSON SIGN-UP BY JULY 13

IF YOU DID NOT SIGN UP AT THE JUNE 20 MEET-ING **OR TO CHANGE YOUR SIGN-UP**

CONTACT HOWARD **TRUDEAU** HTRUDEAU@AOL.COM OR 408-257-6703

Attendance Report

JUNE 20, 2012

40 Members Representing 58% of the total membership 1 Speaker 41 TOTAL

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Van Kirk For Duane Stauffer Attendance Chairman

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# **Membership Membership**

No data received.

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# Roster Changes No data received.

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# **July Birthdays**

July 13 Gordon Brandt July 11 Azmi Habib July 25 William Homan

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

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June 20, 2012 Branch 5 Executive **Committee Meeting** Pro Shop Conference Room, **Shoreline Golf Course** 

Attendees: Al Stratz, Big SIR; Don Harryman, Treasurer;

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Art Kraemer, Assistant Treasurer: Ken Liddicoat, Director; Fred Van Kirk, Director Ed Schwabecher, Program Chair; Paul Butler, Membership Chair; Howard Trudeau, Acting Secretary

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:07 am. It was established that there was a quorum present.
- 2. The minutes of the May 23 meeting were reviewed. There were no additions or corrections. It was moved, seconded and passed that the minutes be approved.
- **3.** There were no visitors or guests present.
- 4. Big SIR Report:
- a. Form 27 (attached) was reviewed. As of May 23, there were 69 members.
- b. Big SIR reported that Senior SIR Neil Daniels passed away in early June. Art Kraemer will send a condolences card to Neil's family on behalf of the Branch.
- c. Greg Kemist, who was introduced at the May meeting, will be inducted today. He is sponsored by Al Stratz.
- d Eight members paid their contribution last month. Only 5 members have not paid.
- 5. Treasurers Report:
- a. Form 28, Monthly Cash Report (attached), was distributed. As of May 31, the Branch has a cash balance of \$4.297.45.
- 6. Attendance Report:
- a. Fred Van Kirk presented this report for Membership Chair, Duane Stauffer, who was absent. Forty-Eight members, one guest, and one speaker attended the May 23 meeting. This is 69% of the membership.
- 7. Membership Report:
- a. The June 2012 membership report (attached), was presented by Membership Chair, Paul Butler, It showed 71 members, including today's new member,

- Greg Kemist. Paul had not been informed that Neil Daniels had died.
- b. All of the widows have been removed from the U.S. Mail distribution of the Bulletin. There was no response from any of them.
- c. Fred Van Kirk asked how the electronic distribution of the Bulletin is updated, since a new member, inducted a few months ago, was not receiving the Bulletin email notification. Paul Butler agreed to contact Les Spring, Bulletin Editor, to update Les' email address list with new members.
- 8. Program Chairman's Report (attached):
- a. Rengstorff House, the subject of the talk at the February meeting, will be open today after the luncheon so that Branch 5 members may tour it. Ed Schwabecher will lead the members over after lunch.
- b. Today's speaker will be Jon Richards, a Senior Software Engineer at the SETI Organization, who will speak on "Intelligent Life in our Universe".
- c. The speaker in August will be Jeanne K. Smith, professional organizer, speaker and author and a pioneer in estate organization. She started Exit Stage Right, LLC, in 1992. She will be speaking on estate organization strategies as part of the estate planning process.
- d. Program Chair Schwabecher submitted his resignation due to immediate health issues. All present offered their support and concern and assured Ed that he will be in our thoughts and prayers.
- 9. Old Business:
  - a. At the last meeting, Howard Trudeau was asked to research SIR Policy on Perfect Attend-

- ance Awards and to recommend a Branch 5 Policy. His report is attached. No SIR Bylaw or Standing Rule addresses Perfect Attendance Awards. SIR Rule 151 states that a Branch may adopt regulations that are not inconsistent with SIR Corporate Bylaws or Standing Rules. This would be the case if a Branch 5 Perfect Attendance Regulation or Policy were adopted
- b. SIR Rule 101 notes that a member is considered absent unless he has a certification of attendance at a meeting of another branch that month, and has provided the certification to the Attendance Chairman. The Branch may limit the number of make-ups in a 12-month period.
- c. It was suggested by Howard that if a member is prevented from attending a Branch 5 meeting due to an emergency, and if no other branch meetings are scheduled that month, the member might petition the Membership Chair to attend a make-up meeting the following month, in addition to the regularly scheduled Branch 5 meeting.
- d. It was further recommended by Howard that an award for the greatest number of years of perfect attendance by a Branch 5 member be established and called the Al Gardner Award, in honor of Senior Honorary Life Member Al Gardner who passed away in 2011. Al had 28 years of perfect attendance prior to his death.
- e. A motion to table this discussion until the August meeting, when Attendance Chair Duane Stauffer will be present, was seconded and passed.
- 10. There being no other new or old business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 am

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11. Respectfully submitted, *Howard Trudeau*, Acting Secretary

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# **GOLF**

### Sunnyvale Golf

### <u>6-7</u>

Howard Trudeau 98 net 66
Jiries Nazzal 98 net 67 CTTP
Azmi Habib 104 net 68
Stan Kazul 109 net 78 CTTP
Greg Kemist 84 net 70
Adel Nazzal 93 net 71
Jim Stevens 103 net 76

# Santa Clara Golf

### <u>6-14</u>

Jiries Nazzal 94 net 63
Greg Kemist 84 net 70/42 CTTP
Jim Stevens 98 net 70/49
Naim Nazzal 94 net 72
Jere Austin 108 net 77
Adel Nazzal 100 net 78 CTTP

## **Shoreline Golf**

### <u>6-21</u>

Jim Stevens 99 net 70
Jere Austin 103 net 70
Greg Kemist 87 net 72 CTTP
Naim Nazzal 95 net 72
Jiries Nazzal 103 net 72 CTTP
Azmi Habib 110 net 73

## Los Lagos Golf

### <u>6-28</u>

Jiries Nazzal 90 net 61 CTTP
Adel Nazzal 90 net 68
Greg Kemist 86 net 72
Howard Trudeau 105 net 74
Naim Nazzal 97 net 75
Jim Loos 103 net 77
Jere Austin 115 net 84 CTTP

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# <u>CompuSIR</u> <u>Chairman,</u> <u>Jim Dinkey, Branch 35</u>

The CompuSIR group meets the second Wednesday of each month at noon for a brown bag lunch at the Palo Alto Elks—4249 El Camino Real, Palo Alto.

The following speaker(s) are currently

scheduled:

The July speaker will be Red Calub, Assistant General Manager of Micro Center in the Santa Clara Mercado Shopping Center. As a very experienced marketer, he will discuss the various handheld devices and their characteristics. This discussion will also be abetted by comments on some other late-breaking, new products.

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# **MAC Group**

Contact Skip Ross, 541-857-6224, waross@closereach.com to join this e-mail group where SIR members in all branches can exchange Mac-related news, get answers to questions and share experiences

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

Still looking for a travel chairman. See BIG SIR. You can read the State SIR newsletter called SIR HAPPENINGS at the state website

www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/, which includes travel news from other branches.

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# <u>Bowling</u> BRANCHES 5, 35,

<u>& 51</u>

EVERY TUESDAY,
HOMESTEAD LANES,
HOMESTEAD AND
STELLING,
SUNNYVALE.

We bowl on a handicap system, so all have an equal chance. Each season teams are revised and always have a mix of players by ability. Be there by 12.45. New bowlers needed; any level of experience welcome. If you're new,

it's easier if you call me in advance so we will be prepared.

### **NEW SEASON HIGH SCORES**

### SCRATCH SERIES SCRATCH GAME

Chuck Huff 549 Tim Eastham 213
Jeff Grundy 528 Jerry Ososkie 198
Bob Taggart 524 Roy Robinson 198
Fred Schwalbach 496 Arnie Satterlee 179

### **HANDICAP SERIES HANDICAP GAME**

Alan Gaudie 692 Bill Finkemeier 261
Earl Pampeyan 663 Bill Webster 255
Hal Knowlton 663 John Snyder 251
Jerry Coe 657 Doug Anderson 236
Bill Finkemeier (323-2177)

### TEAM STANDINGS

#### **1ST PLACE**

Ptah Bennet, Doug Anderson, Chuck Huff

### 2nd PLACE

Roger Anderson, Jerry Ososkie, Tim Eastham

### **3RD PLACE**

Harold Kaye, Jeff Grundy, Hal Knowlton

### 4TH PLACE

Bill Finkemeier, Arnie Satterlee, Fred Schwalbach

### **5TH PLACE (TIE)**

Bill Webster, Alan Gaudie, Earl Pampeyan

### **5TH PLACE (TIE)**

Jerry Coe, Roy Robinson, Bob Taggart **HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH** 

### 1st - Tim Eastham: 541

2<sup>nd</sup> - Chuck Huff: 527

3<sup>rd</sup> - Jerry Ososkie: 428

### HIGH GAME - SCRATCH

1<sup>st</sup> - Bob Taggart: 200

2<sup>nd</sup> - Hal Knowlton: 174 3<sup>rd</sup> - Fred Schwalbach: 153

# HIGH HANDICAP SERIES 1st - Doug Anderson: 662

2<sup>nd</sup> - Jeff Grundy: 624 3<sup>rd</sup> - Bill Webster: 589

### **HIGH HANDICAP GAME**

1<sup>st</sup> - Alan Gaudie: 233 2<sup>nd</sup> - Harold Kaye: 222 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ptah Bennett: 198

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# **Biking**

Jerry Butler (650)494-8078 2nd Thursday, July 12, 11:00 a.m. Wives and guests are welcome. RAIN CANCELS, HELMET REQUIRED.

Location: Coyote Creek Trail (South San Jose)
The Ride: We will follow the Coyote Creek Trail starting from the Holiday Inn at 399 Silicon Valley Rd., San Jose. The first leg of 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 round trip total distance of 18 flat miles. For those who want a shorter ride, they may omit the second leg 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 101/85 interchange. The directions from either 101 or 85 are the same. Take the Bernal Rd. exit. Turn left on Bernal Rd., which becomes Silicon Valley Blvd. after crossing under 101. Turn left on Rue Ferrari Rd. (the service road next to the hotel), and park in the hotel parking lot behind the furthest hotel building on the right.

\*Note: The Holiday Inn is in the process of changing its name, first to Summit Hotel, then to Sheraton Hotel. If you plan to ride or have questions, contact Jerry Butler as per above, or Karl Reseck at 650-941-8837, karl.reseck@stanfordalumni.org.

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> ATTENDANCE -TBA-