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Big SIR sez:

The speaker at our April 24th luncheon was Michael Hemp, who relayed little known facts about the history of Cannery Row and the Monterey Peninsula.

The May 22nd program speaker will be Harry Sato, who will tell about the efforts to clean the plastic debris from the oceans and how it can be converted back to its petroleum base. It's good to know that someone is cleaning up after this littering world population.

Members interested in maintaining a perfect attendance at SIRs luncheons should know that attendance as a guest at another Branch is an acceptable substitute. A receipt from an officer of that Branch, presented to our Attendance Chairman Duane Stauffer (650-948-7268), will preserve your record.

We note the passing of long-time member Edgar L. Huffstutler on April 8, 2013.

Please remember that the June luncheon date has been moved from the 26th to the 19th.

Attendance at the March 24th luncheon was only 39 active members. That is a record low! Please make a special effort to attend the May 22nd luncheon, and bring a guest. See you at Michaels.

Big SIR *Al Stratz*

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## **SPEAKER**

Jim Holms from the Clean Oceans Project is one of the founders and has been working with a large number of organizations in developing not only the technology to clean the ocean but has developed connections with a number of support organization with similar goals. Jim is known as Captain Homer and has sailed a large number of sea crafts around the world. His interests

in cleaning up waters was developed because of his experiences with the large number of "dirty shores" .

Harry Sato is one of the founders of E-N-ergy . E-N-ergy is the distributor of a technology developed in Japan.

## **Menu, May 22**

### **Salads:**

- Spinach with Mushroom and Egg
- Mediterranean 3 Bean
- Caesar
- Red Potato & Dill

### **Entrees**

- Beef Ravioli,
- Mainara Roast Turkey

**Dessert:** Chocolate Mousse

His company has been promoting a plastic to oil technology for the past two years. To help develop the groundwork for the product we have signed a number of Representative and they as well as the founding principal's have been demonstrating this technology through out the world. Our demonstration for the SIRS group will be centered around how both organization working together hope to implement a program to clean not only the oceans waters but clean the many shores that are polluted with waste plastic. We hope to give everyone an insight into the technologies available and the number of organizations and people involved in this effort.

A number of videos are available on line. Just look for "plastic to oil" featuring a system developed by the Japanese company Blest.

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SIR BRANCH 5 SUMMER BARBEQUE

JULY 24, 2013

HAPPY HOUR 11:00 AM

LUNCH SERVED 12:00 PM

GUESTS AND SPOUSES INVITED

MENU

- ROSEMARY CHICKEN
 - SANTA MARIA TRI TIP
 - BAKED BEANS
 - SALADS
 - STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE
 - RAFFLE PRIZES
- \$25.00 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR
SIGN UP AT MAY 22 AND JUNE 26
MEETINGS
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## **Attendance Report**

**APRIL 24, 2013**

39 MEMBERS

1 GUEST

1 SPEAKER

41 TOTAL

**Attendance of 39 members represents 55 % of total membership of 71 (this is lowest attendance of the year and included two new members)**

**Respectively Submitted,**

***DUANE STAUFFER***

**Attendance Chairman**

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Membership

No data received

Roster Changes

No data received

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**May Birthdays**

- 2 Quentin H Burden
- 4 Peter S. LoPresto
- 4 Russell F. Scott, Jr.
- 9 Donovan H. Alvik
- 19 Calvin Cook
- 20 James H. Swanson
- 22 Merle O. Evers
- 23 Norm M. Nazzal
- 26 Paul H. Krug
- 26 Greg B. Kemist

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**SIR BRANCH 5
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
March 27, 2013**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:07 AM.
 Those in attendance were: Al Stratz – Big SIR, Art Kraemer – Assistant Treasurer, Fred Van Kirk – Director, Paul Butler – Membership, Duane Stauffer – Attendance, Howard Trudeau – Assistant Secretary, Pete LoPresto – Treasurer, Art Schmid – Little SIR, Don Harryman – Visitor, Dan Haley – Greeter, Paul Krug – Secretary, George Kranen, Director – Region 5
- 2. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.
- 3. Form 27 was distributed by Big SIR, Al Stratz. Membership is 68.
- 4. February lunch attendance was 44 vs. 45 shown on Form 27 because one member signed the attendance list at two different tables.
- 5. According to Paul Butler, membership will increase to 70 after today’s inductees. One member was lost and we have three new members.
- 6. Today’s lunch speaker is Martha Kendall, who will perform some of Stephen Foster’s most beloved tunes and tell about his life.
- 7. The Roster’s Super Seniors (those over 90) were identified.
- 8. Pete LoPresto presented the Treasurer’s Report. The Branch netted \$250 for a profit of \$307.27 to date. The Branch’s quarterly assessment is \$65 for 68 members, less three. Of our membership, 34 members have not yet made their yearly donation. All members delinquent were called.
- 9. The Geezers are booked for the

Christmas Party.
 10. The July 24 Barbecue cost will be \$25. There will be no entertainment. \$150 was approved for door prizes.
 11. Guest, Region 5 Director George Kranen attended the meeting.
 a. George presented SIR items available to the Branches, which are shown on the attachment on the email transmitting these minutes.
 b. According to George, it is the Region Big SIR’s responsibility to meet and swap ideas, e.g. what works and what doesn’t, trade copies of Form 27 and Form 28, etc. In Area 1 the Big SIRs meet for breakfast six times a year. Area 16 has regular Big SIR get together in January. George discussed meeting with Branch Big SIRs for breakfast. A date and time for this meeting was not defined.
 c. George discussed potential ideas to increase membership, e.g. the San Mateo Daily Journal publishes “Senior Affairs”. This is a possible publicity opportunity for SIR meetings to recruit new members. George believes personal references work best for new member recruiting, e.g. golfing buddies and former coworkers. Approximately 50% of guests become members. George’s other thoughts included the Branch covering the guest’s lunch or a \$5.00 bonus to the member bringing a guest.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 AM.
Paul Krug
 SIR Secretary

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**SIR BRANCH 5  
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
 MEETING SUMMARY  
April 24, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 AM.  
**Those in attendance** were: Al Stratz – Big SIR, Art Kraemer – Assistant Treasurer, Fred Van Kirk – Director, Paul Butler – Membership, Duane Stauffer – Attendance, Howard Trudeau – Assistant Secretary, Pete LoPresto – Treasurer, Art Schmid – Little SIR, Dan Haley – Greeter, Paul Krug – Secretary, George Kranen, Director – Region 5, Ken Liddicoat –

Director, Ed Nazzal– Webmaster,  
**March lunch attendance** was 49, 46 members, 1 speaker, Region #5 Director George Kranen, and 1 guest. Member attendance was 66% of total membership of 70, which includes two new members.

**Today’s speaker** is Michael Kemp, Monterey Historian, who will discuss “The Cannery Row You May Not Know” and vigorously sell his books.

**A total** of 55 members of the total membership paid their yearly donations, or 78.6%.

**Al Stratz ordered** and received the SIR display banner. The Executive Board approved the expenditure for the banner. It will be used for the SIR meetings and golf outings.

President Richard Dittmer forwarded a letter informing all Branches that because of declining membership and revenue dues will increase from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per member, honorary life members will no longer be excluded from the yearly assessment, and mileage reimbursement for SIR travel will be decreased to \$.35 from \$.50.

**The Summer barbecue** is July 24. The cost is \$25 per person and door prizes will be given. Signup will be at the May and June meetings.

**The meeting was adjourned** at 11:00.  
*Paul Krug*  
 SIR Branch 5 Secretary

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GOLF
Santa Clara golf course
April 11

Ed Nazzal	88 net 65 CTPP
Naim Nazzal	92 net 70
Greg Kemist	89 net 74
Jiries Nazzal	102 net 75 CTPP
Jim Stevens	103 net76
Art Kraemer	98 net 77

Shoreline golf course
April 18

Greg Kemist	78 net 63
Gary Hornberger	89 net 67 CTPP
Jiries Nazzal	98 net 71 CTPP
Jim Stevens	103 net 75
Azmi Habib	109 net 72
Jere Austin	107 net 76
Fred Van Kirk	130 net 93

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Los Lagos golf course
April 25

Gary Hornberger 85 net 64 CTPP
Naim Nazzal 86 net 65
Azmi Habib 104 net 68
Art Kraemer 94 net 73
Jim Stevens 100 net 74
Jere Austin 106 net 76 CTPP
Jiries Nazzal 106 net 78
Ed Nazzal 101 net 79
Howard Trudeau 110 net 80
Fred Van Kirk 123 net 87

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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 Palo Alto Elks—4249 El Camino Real, Palo Alto.

The following speaker(s) are currently scheduled:

Speaker: SPAUG's Linux Experts
This program is still under development, but we're hoping to show such things and answer such questions as:

_ Why should I do it?_ Can I do it?_ How hard is it to do?_ How much do I need to learn?_ How much do I already know?_ Can I practice, using Linux on a disk?_ Should I consider dual-booting?_ What security issues are there?_ Can I use my current application programs with Linux?_ Can I get to my Windows data in Linux?_ What about sandboxing?_ What about updates?_ What about backups and restores?_ What can I do in Linux that I can't do in Windows, and vice-versa?_ Where will I find Linux apps?_ What is the future of Linux for PCs?

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MAC Group

MAC users should contact W A Ross <waross@closereach.com> (Skip) for information on this group.

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

September 15-23, 2013 □ARRIBA!
CUBA!□(Br 39)

Escorts Neil Jameson (831-336-2476) and Wayne Dawson (408-833-8435). Overnight in Miami. Fly to Cuba. Extensive

touring in Trinidad City, then Havana with touring and night time activities. Visit a cigar factory and see historical landmarks; lectures, nature tours, shopping, and restaurants. Brochure and pdf available. 9 days, 19 meals. US government approved tour. Fares from San Jose VTA. Cost is \$3999 double or \$4399 single occupancy.

November 20-21, 2013

□ **CHRISTMAS ICE FANTASY at THE ELDORADO, Reno** □ (Br 74)
Escorts: Allen Daily (408-265-8140) and Don House (408-268-1703). Our annual Christmas show at the Eldorado will be an Ice Fantasy where Cirque meets the Ice combining the excitement of figure skating with the thrill and wonder of cirque acts on ice. We will include our private Cocktail Party, buffet dinner and breakfast, casino time with \$5 cash and \$5 food bonus at the Nugget, plus no-host rest stops at the Black Oak and Nut Tree Center. The price is \$199/p dbl. occ. (\$16 Sgl. Suppl.) payable to Cruise Adventures Unlimited. Mail check & Application to Allen Daily, 1580 Trona way, San Jose, CA 95125.

Dec. 29, 2013 – Jan. 3, 2014 □ **New Year's Extravaganza 2014** □ (Br. 74)

Escorts: Allen Daily (408-265-8140) and Don House (408-268-1703). We will travel by deluxe coach to the Hyatt Regency, Long Beach with a hosted lunch at Harris Ranch. After viewing the decorating of the Floats, lunch at Lawry's, have a guided tour of Space Shuttle ENDEAVOUR. Tour Universal Studios; enjoy New Year's Eve with dinner/champagne/dancing/Monte Carlo Casino, etc. View the Rose Bowl Parade from your reserved seat with cushion and program. Watch football on the large screen, followed by a teppan-vaki style dinner. Tour the Getty Villa, view the monarch butterfly sanctuary; overnite w/dinner at Pismo Beach and additional stops on the way home. Price is \$1845/p dbl. occ. with \$373 sgl. suppl. And includes Insurance. Deposit of \$200 is due with Application and payable to Cruise Adventures Unlimited. Mail check & Application to Allen Daily, 1580 Trona Way, San Jose, CA 95125.

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Bowling
BRANCHES 5, 35, &
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Co-Chairmen: Bob Taggart
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Doug Anderson
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Prizes: Roy Robinson
Every Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. at Homestead Lanes, Homestead & Stelling, in Cupertino.

The Spring/Summer league begins on May 14th and there is a vacancy on each of the teams. If you have been considering joining our league, this is an excellent time. This being a 'handicap system', everyone has the opportunity to be a winner. There is one more week remaining in the current league and the final results will appear in June

WEEK #16

1st PLACE

Harold Kaye, Arnie Satterlee, Tim Eastham

2nd PLACE

Alan Gaudie, Ron Nakamoto, Hal Knowlton

3rd PLACE

Jerry Coe, Jerry Ososkie, Bob Taggart

4th PLACE

Ptah Bennett, Roy Robinson, Chuck Huff

5th PLACE

Bill Webster, Jeff Grundy, Earl Pampeyan

6th PLACE

Bill Finkemeier, Doug Anderson, Fred Schwalbach

HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH

1st - Chuck Huff: 495
2nd - Fred Schwalbach: 485
3rd - Bob Taggart: 458

HIGH GAME - SCRATCH

1st - Jerry Ososkie: 181
2nd - Jeff Grundy: 166
3rd - Tim Eastham: 165

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES

1st - Roy Robinson: 633
2nd - Jerry Coe: 599
3rd - Bill Finkemeier: 574

HIGH HANDICAP GAME

1st - Hal Knowlton: 223
2nd - Harold Kaye: 213
3rd - Earl Pampeyan: 196

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There were four 200+ scratch games bowled last month. Listed below are these men and their personal achievements: Chuck Huff: 239, Tim Eastham: 233, Harold Kaye: 209, and Fred Schwalbach: 202. Hal Knowton performed a rather rare feat when he 'picked up' a 4,7,9,10 split!

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### **Biking**

**Jerry Butler – (650)494-8078 [GXB366@aol.com](mailto:GXB366@aol.com)**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday— May 9, 2013, 11:00 AM

Wives and guests welcome Rain cancels; Helmet required  
Brisbane/Oyster Point

The Ride: We will ride the flat Bay Trail along San Francisco Bay for about 7.5 miles going south from the parking lot next to the empty former Walmart Tower building

in Brisbane, to South Airport Blvd. (near SFO) where we will have lunch at a McDonalds or Costco (no other choices) then ride back for a total of about 15 miles.

Driving Directions: Take 101 north past SFO to Sierra Pt. Parkway (2<sup>nd</sup> exit past the Oyster Point exit). At the first intersection, stop, and turn right, then, immediately stop again and turn left at the next intersection, which is Marina Blvd., going left. Follow Marina Blvd. around a big curve and just past the empty former Walmart Tower building on the left side, turn left into a large public parking lot with a short boulevard entrance. We will meet there.

If you plan to ride or have questions please contact Jerry Butler (see above), or Karl Reseck, (650)941-8837, [karl.reseck@stanfordalumni.org](mailto:karl.reseck@stanfordalumni.org).

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