

Sons in Retirement



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Big SIR sez:

At our August 28th luncheon meeting, Gary Richards, the creator of the Mercury News column, Mr. Roadshow, on Bay Area transportation issues, gave an entertaining speech on the many issues that concern us all. It was very timely, as it coincided with the opening of the new Bay Bridge section. Gary and his wife, Jan, were gracious in extending the question period until everyone was satisfied.

Two new members were welcomed into our Branch 5, Henry Cooper and Foster Kinney.

Howard Trudeau proposed the 2014 Slate of Officers, starting in January:

Big Sir: Art Schmid

Little Sir: NEED A

VOLUNTEER

Treasurer: Pete LoPresto

Assistant Treasurer: Art

Kraemer

Secretary: Paul Krug

Assistant Secretary: Howard

Trudeau

Director: Ken Liddicoat

Director: Fred Van Kirk

Director (new): Gary

Hornberger

Director (new): Greg

Kemist

The Slate of Officers was unanimously approved by the members in attendance.

Our speaker at the September 25th meeting is a new Branch 5 member, Ernie Traugott, who will show a film "Rescue in the Philippines" about the rescue of 1,300 German Jews from the Holocaust, through the efforts of the Philippine government and

Lunch, 9/25/13

Salads:

Spinach with Mushroom and Egg

Caesar

Tomatoes Vinaigrette

Mediterranean 3 Bean

Entrees:

Chicken Saute Sec

Meat Loaf with Mushroom

Sauce

Dessert:

Sherbet

others. This is a little known story about World War II, which I find very interesting and hope you will too. Ernie was one of those rescued, along with his family. He will tell us about personal experiences in his journey from Nazi Germany to Manila, to Portland, Oregon, to Palo Alto, all in a ten year period.

Bring a friend to lunch on the 25th.

Big SIR Al Stratz

SPEAKER

Ernie Traugott

"Rescue in the Philippines Refuge from the Holocaust"

Pre-World War II Manila is the backdrop for this little-known chapter in WWII history. A high-profile group of cigar smoking poker friends, including (then) Colonel Dwight Eisenhower, devise an intricate international plan to rescue 1,300 Jews from certain death in Nazi concentration camps.

This film story is told through interviews with historians, and relatives of key players. First person accounts from survivors detail their harrowing escape from Europe and immigration to the Philippines. Our speaker and Branch 5 member, Ernie Traugott, is one of those survivors, and will be available for questions and comments at the end of the DVD showing.

Attendance Report

AUGUST 28, 2013

43 MEMBERS

2 SPEAKERS

45 TOTAL

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ATTENDANCE OF 43 MEMBERS REPRESENTS 62% OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF 69.

AN ANALYSIS OF THIS YEARS ATTENDANCE RECORDS REVEALS THIS INTERESTING INFORMATION. WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE 21 PEOPLE IN THE CLUB WHO HAVE PERFECT ATTENDANCE TO DATE FOR THE YEAR 2013.

IN ADDITION WE HAVE 33 MEMBERS THAT HAVE ATTENDED AT LEAST 4 MEETINGS OR MORE FOR THE YEAR TO DATE. THIS DEMONSTRATES THAT WE HAVE A VERY SOLID CORE OF MEMBERSHIP.

WHILE WE CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT OUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS WE ARE MAKING GOOD PROGRESS WITH NEW MEMBERS. WE HAVE ADDED 7 NEW MEMBERS SO FAR THIS YEAR.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

DUANE STAUFFER
ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN

Membership
August 2013

Membership Changes:

New: Inducted in August
65 Foster Kinney
61 Henry Cooper
Resigned: None
Deceased: None

Membership Status:

Active: _____ 69
Inactive: _____ 1

Current Mailing List:

Active & Inactive members:
70 with 61 by email and 9 by snail mail:

Member Record Updates: none

Paul V Butler
Membership Chairman
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**Roster Changes**

none  
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September Birthdays

Sept 3 Ken Christie
Sept 22 Adel Nazzal
Sept 23 Donald Drews

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

Minutes of the August 26, 2013  
Branch 5 Branch Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM. A quorum was present. In attendance were Al Stratz, Big SIR; Art Schmid, Little SIR; Pete LoPresto, Treasurer; Art Kraemer, Assistant Treasurer; Howard Trudeau, Assistant Secretary; Fred Van Kirk, Director; Ken Liddicoat, Director; Duane Stauffer, Attendance Chair; Paul Butler, Membership; Adel Nazzal, Webmaster, Paul Krug, Secretary; and Greg Kemist, Guest.

The minutes of the June 19 meeting were approved as written.

Big SIR Al Stratz distributed the report of the August 6 Big Sir meeting (see attachment)

**Membership Report** (Paul Butler):

Branch 5 will induct two new members in today's lunch, #65 Foster Kinney and #61 Henry Cooper.

The membership status is 69 active members and one inactive. This includes the two new members .

Today's speaker is Mr. Roadshow, Gary Richards.

The Branch Executive Board approved the proposed Slate of Officers for 2014 distributed by Howard Trudeau. The full membership of the SIR luncheon meeting then approved the Slate of Officers. A Little SIR volunteer is still needed.

**Secretary Report:** The new 2014 Slate of Officers was incorporated into the Form 20. A draft of Form 20 showing the 2014 slate of Branch 5 Executive Board was distributed for comment. The corrected Form 20 will be submitted to Region Director, George Kranen, and State Roster Chairman, Dwight Sales by the August 31 required date.

**Treasurer Report:** Pete LoPresto reported seven members have not paid this year's contribution. Two of the members, who are 93 and 94, have not attended a meeting in a year. The others did attend up to five meetings in 2013. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the two 93 and 94 year-old unpaid members requesting an acknowledgement of intent of whether to remain a member of SIR or resign. The other unpaid members are apparently active, but slow in paying.

The quarterly assessment has increased to \$1.25 per member.

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There was a comment that someone other than the treasurer should see the bank statement. However, the disbursement statement presented at the monthly meeting and the yearly audit adequately covers this requirement.

The website bill presented by Ed Nazzal was presented and approved. Also discussed and approved was continuation with the same website manager.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 AM.

*Paul Krug*  
Branch 5 Secretary

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GOLF

Los Lagos golf course
8-22-2013

Greg Kemist	80 net 65	CTTP
Jines Nazzal	92 net 65	CTTP
Art Kraemer	87 net 65	
Norm Nazzal	87 net 67	
Jim Stevens	94 net 69	
Jere Austin	101 net 69	
Azmi Habib	105 net 70	
Ed Nazzal	92 net 71	
Fred Van Kirk	107 net 72	
Howard Trudeau	107 net 77	

Moffett Field golf course
8-29-13

Jere Austin	106 net 73
Jim Stevens	103 net 77
Ed Nazzal	100 net 78 CTPP
Azmi Habib	117 net 80
Greg Kemist	98 net 83

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

Still looking for a travel chair-

man. See BIG SIR. You can read the State SIR newsletter called SIR HAPPENINGS at the state website [www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/](http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/), which includes travel news from other branches .

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Bowling
BRANCHES 5, 35,
& 51

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

Co-Chairmen:
Bob Taggart
cbtaggart@earthlink.net
650-321-2654

Doug Anderson
marktintl@aol.com
415-407-4000

Prizes: Roy Robinson
As we near of the end of the Spring/Summer league and there is a new team in first place. The Fall/Winter league starts on September 24 and we are looking for new bowlers of any level to join us.

STANDINGS THROUGH
WEEK #14

1st PLACE
Ptah Bennett, Earl Pampeyan,
Ron Nakamoto

2nd PLACE
Bill Webster, Doug Anderson,
Tim Eastham

3rd PLACE
Arnie Satterlee, Harold Kaye,

Fred Schwalbach
4th PLACE
Bill Finkemeier, Alan Gaudie,
Chuck Huff

5th PLACE
Jerry Coe, Hal Knowlton, Bob
Taggart, Al Runge

6th PLACE
Roy Robinson, Jeff Grundy, Jerry
Ososkie

HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH
1st - Doug Anderson: 556
1st - Al Runge: 491
3rd - Bob Taggart: 438

HIGH GAME - SCRATCH
1st - Alan Gaudie: 198
2nd - Jerry Ososkie: 178
3rd - Tim Eastham: 163

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES
1st - Jeff Grundy: 613
2nd - Earl Pampeyan: 600
3rd - Roy Robinson: 591

HIGH HANDICAP GAME
1st - Hal Knowlton: 230
2nd - Ron Nakamoto: 225
3rd - Bill Finkemeier: 218

There were three scratch 200+ games bowled last month. Listed below are these men and their personal achievements: Tim Eastham: 211 and Bob Taggart: 202 and 200. Week 13
Alan Gaudie had the league's best - for this season (or several seasons) - with **7 strikes in a row!** WTG Alan.

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**Biking**

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

2<sup>Nd</sup> Thursday—September 12, 2013, 11:00 AM

Wives ands guests welcome Rain cancels;  
Helmet required

**Los Gatos Creek Trail**

**The Ride: We will ride the rolling Los Gatos Creek Trail for about 7.5 miles from Blackford School to the town of Los Gatos for lunch. Then ride back for a total of 15 miles.**

**Directions: Go South on I-280 (past Highway17) to Meridian (South); turn right. Go to Willow Street (the third stoplight); turn right. Take Willow Street until it dead-ends at Blackford Elementary School. Parking is available in the school parking lot and on neighborhood streets.**

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

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