## Sons in Retirement



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## **Big SIR sez:**

We had a very interesting meeting last month with Gisela Zebroski speaking on the Berlin airlift, especially since some of our members participated in the operation. Next month Ron Berube will be talking about the AARP Smart Driver Program. He'll tell us how the program works and how we can reduce our auto insurance costs.

Greg Kemist is working on tickets for the Giants game. He has more details on this in an article in this newsletter. He has also been working with Shum Mukherjee on getting bridge started in our branch. More details on that will be coming soon.

Bocce in Los Altos is finally getting started on March 1<sup>st</sup> after two months of rain delays. Carl Orta has been instrumental in adding this venue to our bocce activity. Bocce in Redwood City continues to be available rain or shine as the courts are covered. It's a co-ed activity, so please bring your wives and friends along.

Thanks to Don Andrews for joining the Member Contact Committee. This is an important function that is chaired by Al Stratz. It keeps us in contact with our members each month.

The 2016 membership roster has been distributed. Please contact Greg Kemist if there are any changes to your information in the roster.

We're looking forward to seeing you at the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. It should be a good one, so join us and bring a friend.

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#### March Branch 5 Calendar

March 1 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM

March 3 - Golf at Sunnyvale - 9:30 AM March 9 - Bocce at Redwood City -3:00 PM

March 10 - Golf at Shoreline - 9:30 AM

March 16 - Bocce at Redwood City - 3:00 PM

March 17 - Golf at Sunnyvale - 9:30 AM

March 23 - Lunch Meeting at Michaels - 11:00 AM

March 24 - Golf at Los Lagos - 10:00 AM

March 31 – Golf at Moffett – 9:30 AM April 5 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM

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#### Lunch, 3/23/16 Noon

#### Salads:

Spring Mix greens Caesar

Pasta Primavera

#### **Entrees**:

Snapper Monterey Meatloaf with Mushroom Sauce

#### **Dessert:**

Ice Cream

#### **Giants Game Tickets**

SIR Giants Game, versus the Arizona Diamond Backs, August 31, 12:45PM,. Contact Greg Kemist (greg.kemist@gmail.com), 650-465-1106, for tickets.

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## <u>SPEAKER</u>

Ron Berube will do a presentation regarding the AARP Smart Driver Program and its inherent benefits to those who attend the classes. In

addition, the presentation includes helpful websites, car safety, and medications. Ron spent over 35 years in the banking industry having last worked with the FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation) as a Mortgage Risk Analyst. He is a graduate of St. Mary's College (Moraga) and holds lifetime teaching credentials in the following areas of study – Communications, Banking and Finance along with Real Estate.

He previously taught adult education classes at Evergreen Valley College, Mission College and San Jose City College.

Ron is a California native having been born in San Francisco and grown up in Millbrae. He has been a San Jose resident since 1968.

He has been married to his first (and only) wife for 47 years and has three lovely grandchildren thanks to their son and daughter-in-law. Their daughter (who is single) is currently teaching in Ho Chi Min City (aka Saigon) and they had the pleasure of visiting with her this past December.

He is a member of SIR Branch 21 and previously served as their Travel Chairman.

Ron is currently the District 15 Coordinator for the AARP Driver Safety program.

Ron will talk to us about the benefits of being an AARP member and what the AARP Smart Driver program has to offer not only to seniors but to everyone who is adventurous enough to drive on California's highways and byways.

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## **Attendance** Report

February 24, 2016

40 members

2 guests

1 speaker

Tom Donahue

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## Membership

No data received

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## **Roster Changes**

No data received

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## Orientation Meeting

We will have a SIR Branch 5 Orientation on April 27 right after our Lunch Meeting. All New Members from 2013 **on** are encouraged to attend with their sponsors. Any other members who would like to learn more about our branch are also invited. Mark your calendars to stay after the April 27 lunch, and we will see you there! Contact Foster Kinney, fostertkinney@gmail.com (note the

extra "t") or 650-299-9479.

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## **March Birthdays**

3/4 Foster Kinney

3/12 Robert Carlstead

3/15 Don Harryman

3/16 Robert Merk

3/24 Henry Cooper

3/31 Robert Simons

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## **SUMMARY OF BRANCH 5 Executive Board MINUTES**

**Shoreline Golf Course Pro Shop** February 24, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM.

A quorum of six board members was confirmed.

The Minutes of the January 28 Meeting were approved by the Board as written. Big SIR Report.

A Super Senior SIR award will be given to Emmett Hearn at the March 23 Meeting.

Al Gardner Award and Attendance Awards will be given at today's meeting.

SIR March birthdays will be drawn at today's meeting.

The Big SIR meeting will be convened March 18.

Ted Hinshaw moved to Morgan Hill and resigned from Branch 5.

The New Form 27 was distributed at this meeting.

Today's speaker is Gizela Zebrowski who discussed her teenage experience during the U.S. Air Force airlift to West Berlin, including the tons of candy dropped to children against the airfield fence.

Secretary Report: No new activity in February.

Activity Report:

Giants game for SIR membership will be in June and July.

Bocce is scheduled for next Tuesday, February 2, in Los Altos.

Foster Kinney attended new membership orientation. New members meet April 27 for New Member Orientation. Membership Report: Active members in January equal 62. Lunch attendance was 43 paid plus 1 guest speaker. One inactive member was dropped from the rolls for nonattendance. Foster Kinney, Recruiting Chairman, presented a recruiting goal of "75 by 2025."

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 AM.

> Respectfully submitted, Paul Krug, Branch 5 Secretary

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## **GOLF**

(Editor's note: I misplaced this last month, sorry)

> Sunnyvale Golf 1-21-16

Jim Stevens 90 net 72 Jere Austin 111 net 75

**CTTP** 

Howard Trudeau 111 net 76

Phil Yurtis 98 Fred Van Kirk 135 net 99

#### Los Lagos Golf 1-28-16

Greg Kemist 86 net 73 CTTP CTTP Ed Nazzal 99 net 76 102 net 77 Jim Stevens Howard Trudeau 112 net 79 Jere Austin 115 net 80 Phil Yurtis 91 Carl Orta 107



SIR 5 golf group at Los Lagos - Jim Stevens, Dave Smith, Ed Nazzal, Howard Trudeau, Greg Kemist and Carl Orta"

#### February

#### **Sunnyvale Golf course** 2-4-16

Jim Stevens 104 net 78 93 net 80 Greg Kemist Shum Mukherjee 107 net 80 Howard Trudeau 125 net 89 Phil Yurtis 100 Fred Van Kirk 135 net 99

#### **Moffett Field Golf** 2 -11-16

Carl Orta 107 net 71 Greg Kemist 88 net 74 CTTP Shum Mukheriee 103 net 76 Jiries Nazzal 109 net 77 Jere Austin 122 net 85 Azmi Habib 124 net 87

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## **Los Lagos Golf** 2-25-16

Gary Hornberger 84 net 63 Phil Yurtis 89 net 63 78 net 65 **Greg Kemist** Norm Nazzal 89 net 67 Carl Orta 103 net 69 103 net 72 CTTP Jiries Nazzal Jim Stevens 100 net 75 115 net 80 Jere Austin Azmi Habib 119 net 84

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## **MAC Group**

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

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#### **Bocce Ball**

Foster Kinney is reserving the two bocce courts at Red Morton Park in Redwood City (1400 Roosevelt) on the second & third Wednesdays from 3:00 to 5:00 PM for members of SIR-5 and their guests. Starting 1/12/16 we also play at the Los Altos Senior Center at Hillview at 2 p.m. We have enough bocce balls for 8 players, so there is plenty of room. And the cost is FREE!

Please contact Foster 650-299-9479, or email <a href="mailto:fostertkinney@gmail.com">fostertkinney@gmail.com</a> (note the extra "t") to tell him you are coming to Redwod City or Carl Orta, 650 -868-5221, <a href="mailto:carlcal54&sbcglobal.net">carlcal54&sbcglobal.net</a> if you are coming to Los Altos

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## <u>Tennis:</u>

Tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park, 777 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto, at 8:00 a.m. when doubles are formed. Late arrivals will play as sets are completed. Skill level is about 2.5. Contact is Bob Kamin, 650-322-4300.

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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 news-

letter called SIR HAPPENINGS at the state website

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

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## Bowling BRANCHES 5, 35,

<u>& 51</u>

EVERY TUESDAY,
HOMESTEAD LANES,
HOMESTEAD AND
STELLING,
CUPERTINO

Co-Chairmen: Bob Taggart

cbtaggart@earthlink.net

650-321-2654

Doug Anderson

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Prizes: Alan Gaudie

There has been a very positive change to the SIR bowling league: Wives and significant others have been invited to bowl with us. To date there are two and it has been noticed that their presence has made another pleasant change. We express ourselves a little nicer when we get a split or throw a gutter ball! Come out with the "lady in your life" and both joina team.

We bowl at 1:00 PM. The cost is \$15 per week.

Roy Robinson presented the High-Handicap Series trophy for 2015 to Ed White .

#### <u>WINTER-SPRING SESSION</u> - 4TH WEEK

**1ST PLACE** 

Jim Holman, Patrick Wong, Bob Taggart, Ron Nakamoto 2ND PLACE

Ranney Thayer, Ken Jones, Alan Gaudie, Doug Ericsson 3RD PLACE

Hutch Hutchinson, Jerry Ososkie, Jay Jonekait, Ed White

4TH PLACE

Les Fisher, Arnie Satterlee, Harold

Kaye, James Faucett
5TH PLACE
Carl Moyer, Doug Anderson,
Chuck Huff
6TH PLACE - TIE
Ptah Bennett, Fred Emmenegger, Jeff Grundy, Tim Eastham
6TH PLACE - TIE
Rick McCollogh, Robert Dunn,
Fred Schwalbach, Phil Vanderwerf
8TH PLACE
Bill Webster, Roy Robinson, Darryl
Walker, Joe Enos

#### <u>HERE ARE THE WINNERS -</u> <u>FINAL</u>

#### **HIGH SERIES - SCRATCH**

1<sup>st</sup> - John Faucett: 518 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ed White: 498 3<sup>rd</sup> - Doug Ericsson: 494

#### **HIGH GAME - SCRATCH**

1<sup>st</sup> - Bob Taggart: 208 2<sup>nd</sup> - Doug Anderson: 191 2<sup>nd</sup> - Harold Kaye: 191

#### **HIGH HANDICAP SERIES**

1<sup>st</sup> - Bill Webster: 663 2<sup>nd</sup> - Alan Gaudie: 641 3<sup>rd</sup> - Rick McCollogh: 627

#### HIGH HANDICAP GAME

1<sup>st</sup> - Ron Nakamoto: 252 2<sup>nd</sup> - Jeff Grundy: 235 3<sup>rd</sup> - Arnie Satterlee: 226 3<sup>rd</sup> - Roy Robinson: 226

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## **Biking**

Jim Lunt, 408-252-6804 jamesdlunt@yahoo.com Cell ----(408) 921-5085

2nd Thursday — March 10, 2016, 11:00 AM

Wives and guests wecome .Rain cancels; Helmet required

<u>Coyote Hills / Alameda Creek — Niles/Fremont</u>

The Ride: We will begin the ride at the Coyote Hills Park and contin-

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ue on the Alameda Trail to Niles where we will have lunch at a restaurant in downtown Niles.

The ride is mostly flat and approximately 9 miles each way, with an optional loop of a scenic view of the bay that adds about one mile (a total ride of 19 miles).

**Directions:** Take Highway 84 across the Dumbarton Bridge past the toll booth to the first exit, which is Paseo Padre Parkway. Turn left and go one mile to Paterson Ranch Road; turn left. This is the entrance to Coyote Hills Park (there is a small sign). Go 1/2 mile to the park toll booth (\$5 per car or use your East Bay Regional Park District season pass). Continue another 1/2 mile over several speed bumps to the park office and museum; park there.

If you plan to ride, or have questions, please contact Jim

Lunt as per above.

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> ATTENDANCE Tom Donahue

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