

# Sons in Retirement



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## **Big SIR sez:**

Here it is - AUGUST! Summer is half over! Got the Summer Doldrums? We have just the cure for you. Come on out to Bocce - first and third Tuesdays at the Hillview Senior Center in Los Altos, 2:00 PM.

The August Full Moon comes on August 26. Take your pick what to name it! Some Native American tribes called the August Moon the "Sturgeon Moon" because they knew that the sturgeon of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain were most readily caught during this Full Moon. They also called August's Moon the "Green Corn Moon." Different tribes used different Moon names. Other examples for August are: "Wheat Cut Moon" (San Ildefonso, and San Juan), "Moon When All Things Ripen" (Dakotah Sioux), and "Blueberry Moon" (Ojibwe). I think I'll just call it the "Green Corn Moon," because I like corn-on-the-cob so much!

We had a fun Summer Bar-B-Q on July 25. It was interesting to have Liz Garratana talk about "Road Trip as Therapy" and show pictures of his-

torical sites all over America. Our next co-ed event will be our Holiday Party on Wednesday, December 12. Note, this is the second Wednesday, so that we don't conflict with your year-end holiday activities. Save the date, and plan to attend!

Tuesday, August 7 will be our Statewide SIR meeting in Lincoln, north of Sacramento. Big Sir's from all over California, from Bakersfield to the Oregon border will be there to elect next year's

### **Lunch 8/22: Noon**

#### Salads:

Spring mixed greens  
Tomato and cucumber , vinaigrette  
Three bean

#### Entrees:

Crab and shrimp cannelloni  
Sirloin tips

#### Dessert:

Sherbet

statewide President. Then, at our own regular meeting on Wednesday, August 22 we will have election of our Branch-5 officers for 2019.

Also, we will be inducting John Lakstigala as our latest New Member at our August

meeting. Please say "Hello" and welcome him to Branch-5.

Our Little Sir, Roy Dreisbach had his right knee replaced on July 25. He is home and doing well. Gary Hornberger will be handling Little Sir duties for awhile.

Another big day coming up is SIR-5 Day at the Giants on September 12 against the Atlanta Braves. This is advance reservations, so be prepared to send your check for \$40.00 each to Dan Haley at 950 Black Mountain Court, Los Altos, CA 94024. Check with Dan to be sure seats are still available.

You are invited to join our Branch-5 activities. Golf every Thursday at nearby courses - Contact Howard Trudeau at (408) 257-6703 or [htrudeau@aol.com](mailto:htrudeau@aol.com). Bocce every 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Hillview Senior Center in Los Altos - Contact Carl Orta at (650) 868-5221 or [carlca54@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carlca54@sbcglobal.net). Bowling every Tuesday at 12:45 PM at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino - Contact Tim Eastham at (650) 346-2449. Cards after our monthly meeting. Guests are always welcome at any of our

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activities.

Then, saunter on down to Michaels at noon on Wednesday, August 22 (note, fourth Wednesday is early this year) for our monthly meeting. Bring a guest, we will buy his lunch!

And, we will see you there!

Foster T Kinney, Big Sir  
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### August Branch 5 Calendar

- August 2 - Golf at Sunnyvale - 9:30 AM
- August 7 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM
- August 9 - Golf at Shoreline - 9:30 AM
- August 16 - Golf at Moffett - 9:51 AM - Time Subject to Change
- August 21 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM
- August 22 - Lunch Meeting at Michaels - 11:00 AM
- August 23 - Golf at Los Lagos - 10:00 AM
- August 30 - Open Golf Date, TBD
- September 4 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM

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### Greg Kemist Shoots Hole in One

SIR golfer Greg Kemist shot a hole-in-one at our tournament held on July 5<sup>th</sup> at the Sunnyvale Golf Course. Greg made the spectacular shot on

the 125 yard 13<sup>th</sup> hole with an eight iron. It also won him the closest to the pin prize. This is the first time in all the years that he has been golfing to achieve such a feat.

We were happy to witness the event and celebrated at the 19<sup>th</sup> hole where Greg, according to tradition, treated all to an adult beverage. Congrats to Greg and we are looking forward to more of these from our avid Branch 5 SIR golfers.

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## **SPEAKER**

Artist, Tom Chapman

Imagine careening down the track on a half ton of horseflesh doing 40 MPH. Think of the jockey balancing himself motionlessly on top of his mount with no safety net. Visualize the bright colors of the jockey's silks, the flare of the horses' nostrils, and the excitement of horseracing. Some would consider the world of thoroughbred horseracing as an art form and the riders who guide their mounts as artists.

I am a former jockey-turned artist and many of my fans thought many of my riding feats were works of art. Now my art takes a more traditional form. Instead of riding horses, I paint them.

Because of my background in horseracing and my knowledge of horse anatomy, my paintings are accurately depicted. My medium is oil on canvas of all different sizes. I've taken a few private lessons to learn about color mixings and values, but for all practical purposes I'm self-taught.

I do *giclee* canvas prints of my horse-related paintings. I also do paintings of dogs, cats, birds, chickens, children, people, wildlife, and landscapes.

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**SIR Happenings**

Hello there, readers,

SIR Happenings is again available on the web. <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

Executive Editor Jerry Sabo has done an exceptional job with this August issue. Enjoy,

*Dwight Sale*

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**Attendance Report**

No report, ladies day

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**Membership**

No report, ladies day

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**Roster Changes**

No report, ladies day

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**SUMMARY OF BRANCH 5 Executive Board MINUTES**

No July meeting

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**August/September Birthdays**

- 8/2 Mark Castro
- 8/3 Carl Orta
- 8/4 John Whittier
- 8/7 Jiries Nazzal
- 8/19 Larry Hansen
- 8/21 Arthur Schmid
- 9/22 Adel Nazzal
- 9/22 Leroy Cove
- 9/27 David Spaulding

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**GOLF**

**Sunnyvale golf course July 5 2018**

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Gary Hornberger | 95 net 71  |
| Rich McGrath    | 89 net 76  |
| Jere Austin     | 112 net 77 |
| CTTP            |            |
| Steve Parsons   | 101 net 79 |
| Mark Castro     | 109 net 79 |
| Greg Kemist     | 92 net 81  |
| CTTP            |            |

**Shoreline golf course July 12 2018**

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Phil Yurtis    | 89 net 63  |
| Mark Castro    | 95 net 63  |
| Rich McGrath   | 77 net 64  |
| CTTP           |            |
| Howard Trudeau | 110 net 73 |
| Greg Kemist    | 86 net 74  |
| Shum Mukherjee | 96 net 74  |
| Steve Parsons  | 101 net 78 |
| Jim Stevens    | 104 net 78 |
| CTTP           |            |
| Jere Austin    | 131 net 94 |

**Moffett Field golf course July 19, 2018**

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Rich McGrath    | 81 net 68  |
| CTTP            |            |
| Greg Kemist     | 81 net 69  |
| CTTP            |            |
| Howard Trudeau  | 112 net 74 |
| Mark Castro     | 107 net 75 |
| Gary Hornberger | 101 net 76 |
| Jere Austin     | 122 net 84 |

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**MAC Group**

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**Bocce Ball**

Bocce ball play in Los Altos: all members/guests/spouses are welcome, we play from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, and it's free. There is no residency requirement. The courts are at

the Hillview senior center, next to Room 10, 97 Hillview Ave. We are playing on the FIRST and THIRD Tues. of each month. We plan to keep the Redwood City courts as a back-up venue as needed, on the third Wed. of each month from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Come join us, stay active and learn a new sport.

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**Tennis:**

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 13, BRANCHES 5, 35, & 51**

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, CUPERTINO**

(BRANCHES 5, 35 & 51) We bowl on a handicap system, so all have an equal

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chance. Each season teams are revised and always have a mix of players by ability. Be there by **12.45**. New bowlers are always welcome at any level of experience. If you're new, it's easier if you call me in advance so we will be prepared.

TIM EASTHAM (366-2449)

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**Biking**

**jamesdlunt@yahoo.com**

**(408-252-6804)**

**Cell (408-921-5058)**

If you plan to ride or have questions please contact Jim Lunt as above, or Gordon Tong at **gordy6850@gmail.com**

Second Thursday each month.

Wives and guests welcome. Helmet required. Rain cancels.

SIR for many years has had nine basic rides on the master list.. In the past few years, a few riders have taken some exploratory rides looking to find a new ride. We have found a new ride to become the tenth ride. It is a little more aggressive than the first nine rides.

**SAN LORENZO RIDE:**

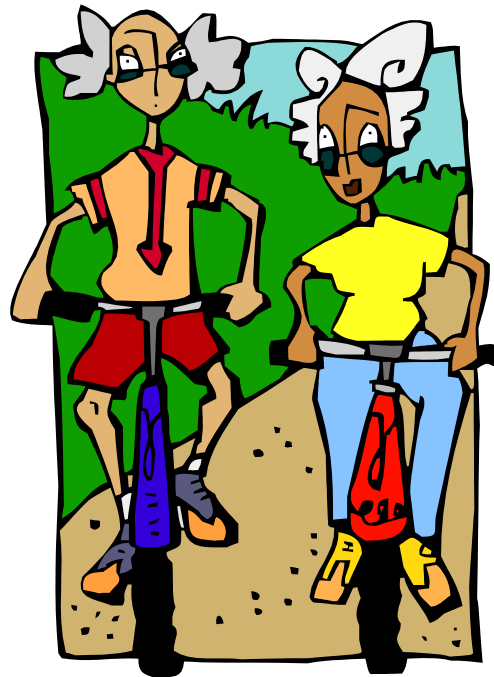
The ride is from San Lorenzo to Oakland Airport to Bay Farm Island. It is very scenic, bay front trail that's paved and level (including 1-2 miles of riding through quiet residential streets)-about 22 miles round trip. We stop about half way for lunch and a little social time. The trail can get a bay breeze so please bring light windbreaker or vest. This ride is much like the Oracle Redwood Shores ride, but on the East Bay side. Please open the link below to see Maps #8 and #9 showing the trail

we'll be riding. Map#8 shows where the paved trail starts at Grant Avenue in San Lorenzo.

**Driving Directions:** From Silicon Valley take I-880 heading North, exit on Hesperian Blvd (about 20 miles from Mountain View/Palo Alto) turning left on Hesperian Blvd, then right on Grant Avenue and turn right into the trail parking lot. You can google map it to see the area.

Let us (JIM OR GORDY) know if you are coming ,so we can wait for you. (the traffic may take a little time) You can google map it to see the area. San Leandro to Bay Farm Island <http://baytrail.org/get-on-the-trail/map-by-number/san-leandro-to-bay-farm-island/>

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