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Web site http://sirinc2.org/branch5/

Big SIR sez:

Welcome to the Second Half of 2018. Hope you start it off with a BANG on July 4! Also a nice day to fly your flag, and enjoy a bar-b-que with the family.

The Full Moon for the month of July comes on July 27. It is called Buck Moon to signify the new antlers that emerge on deer buck's foreheads around this time. This Full Moon is also known as Thunder Moon, Wort Moon, and Hay Moon from Old English/Anglo-Saxon.

Our big day is July 25, the SIR-5 JULY BAR-B-QUE at Michaels. Bring your wife or significant other. Also a nice time to bring a guest to introduce him to SIR Branch 5. Remember, it is advanced reservations, so send your check for \$30.00 each to<u>Bob</u> <u>Simons at 418 Montclair Drive, Santa</u> <u>Clara, CA 94022.</u>

Another big day coming up is SIR-5 Day at the Giants on September 12 against the Atlanta Braves. This is also advanced reservations, so send your check for \$40.00 each to <u>Dan Haley at</u> <u>950 Black Mountain Court, Los Altos,</u> <u>CA 94024.</u>

You are invited to join our Branch-5 activities. Golf every Thursday at nearby courses - Contact Howard Trudeau (408) 257-6703

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 carlcal54@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 activities.

We enjoyed a great Birthday Cake at our June Meeting to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the SIR Organization. SIR was actually started on June 23, 1958, at a restaurant right near here in San Mateo.

Also, in June, our Area 13 Governor, Ken Newton, presented SENIOR SIR CERTIFICATES to Hank Cooper, Larry Hansen and Al Stratz, who turned 90 this year. Friendship Time for our SIR-5 JULY BAR-B-QUE starts at 11:00 AM on our regular 4th Wednesday, July 25. And, we'll see you there!

Foster Kinney Big Sir (650) 299-9479 fostertkinney@gmail.com

SIR BRANCH 5 SUMMER BARBEQUE JULY 25, 2018

HAPPY HOUR 11:00 AM LUNCH SERVED 12:00 PM

GUESTS & SPOUSES INVITED

MENU ROSEMARY CHICKEN SANTA MARIA TRI TIP BAKED BEANS SALADS STRAWBERRY SUNDAE

RAFFLE PRIZES

\$30.00 PER PERSON IN ADVANCE ONLY

RESERVATION FORMS AVAILABLE PLEASE RETURN BY JULY 11

CONTACT BOB SIMONS (408) 246-4374 rwsswr@comcast.net

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July Branch 5 Calendar

July 3 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM July 5 - Golf at Sunnyvale - 9:30 AM July 12 - Golf at Shoreline - 9:30 AM July 17 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM July 19 - Golf at Moffett - 9:51 AM -Time Subject to Change July 25 - Summer BBQ at Michaels July 2018

11:00 AM July 26 - Golf at Los Lagos - 10:00 AM August 7 - Bocce at Los Altos - 2:00 PM

SPEAKER

LIZ GIARRATANA "Road Trip as Therapy"

Liz grew up in Indiana, came to California in 1960. After 52 years of marriage her husband died in 2014.

He had encouraged her to make this trip, telling her not to sit around feeling sorry for herself when he was gone.

In 2015, after a year of preparation, she set off on a solo trip around the US covering 27,000 miles and 34 states.

On July 25th she will tell us about it.

Liz kept a blog of her journey:

Blog of the Starship Doodlebug www.blogofthestarshipdo odlebug.blogspot.com

Attendance Report

29 members 2 guests

1 speaker

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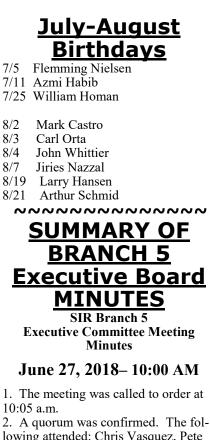
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Roster Changes





lowing attended: Chris Vasquez, Pete LoPresto, Tom Donahue, Dan Haley, Foster Kinney, Fred Van Kirk, Ken Newton (Area 13 governor and a guest), Phil Yurtis, Paul Butler, Albert Stratz, Roy Dreisbach and Gary Hornberger. Attendance sheet attached. 3. Foster introduced Ken Newton as our guest.

4. The May 23, 2018 BEC minutes that were corrected were approved.5. Big SIR report:

**a.** Foster welcomed Ken Newton, Governor of SIR Area 13 that covers 9 Branches on The Peninsula between San Francisco and San Jose. Foster stated he would hand out our 3 Senior SIR Certificates today:

Hank Cooper – born March 24, 1928.

Al Stratz – born June 26, 1928. Larry Hansen – born August 19, 1928.

Ken Newton stated that he is looking forward to recognizing the senior members at SIR and Gary said that he would help hand out the plaques.

b. Foster said that SIR turned 60 on June 23, 2018. He said we would sing "Happy Birthday" and have cake and ice cream today. Ken Newton explain the hierarchy of SIR and stated that the state website has all of the information available. He said that he is from branch 35 and that branch has 360 members.

6. Secretary's Report – Chris Vasquez had nothing to report.

7. Treasurer's Report and approval – Pete LoPresto.

Pete LoPresto stated we had \$750 income with expenses of \$752. Pete stated there was a twodollar loss. Pete said we have a \$705.93 YTD gain. Pete stated that we have 29 members that have paid dues and that we had collected prorated dues from Steve Parsons. He commented that we had a guest from another branch attend the luncheon and that Howard checked out the SIR constitution and the constitution states that the members can belong to only one branch at a time. Pete stated that 31 members attended last meeting with one speaker and one guest. Pete stated that two members remain unpaid. Foster stated that he had sent a note to one of the unpaid members. Pete stated that the thirdquarter assessment would be \$40. He said that this is associated with the big SIR and little SIR attending the annual State luncheon. Roy said that he couldn't attend. Pete and Foster encouraged a replacement for Roy for the event scheduled for August 7th. Ken Newton stated that the annual meeting is very worthwhile and that he encourages any member to go. Foster stated that he would inquire if Bob Simons would like to attend in Roy's absence.

8. Committee Reports:

<u>Attendance</u> – Tom Donahue deferred to Pete's report of attendance contained above.

<u>Membership</u> - Paul Butler reported that Chuck Cali would be resigning effective January 2019.

Paul said that we have a total of 58 members, up from 56. (Membership report attached)

**New Member Orientation** -Phil Yurtis said he and Gary would be presenting the new member orientation in the form of a slideshow after the meeting today. He said new members include Don Specht and Lee Dove. Foster encouraged the BEC to attend and invited Ken to attend as well.

<u>Speakers</u> – Al Stratz said that today's speaker is John Nores Jr. who will be talking about marijuana and the role of his State Warden Organization in enforcement.

Al stated that the July speaker will be Liz Giarratana. He stated that her husband encouraged her to travel the world after he passed on. He said she is going to talk about travel.

Activities - Foster reported that bocce ball is going well. Also stated that Carl Orta is on the East Coast and plans to send a picture of bocce play to the newsletter. He said that bocce will continue on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Gary reported that **golf** is going very well and that eight people are signed up for Los Lagos. He said that the group plans to play in Sunnyvale next week.

Foster reported that there will be no **cards** today because of the new member orientation.

9. Old Business:

a. Foster reiterated that we need a party chair by October. He said that in the meantime he and the little Sir are serving as temporary party chairs.

b. Update on July BBQ: Foster reported that Bob Simons is collecting money through the mail. Gary reported that we're all set and he is collecting funds in the meantime and will be passing out additional sign ups for the barbecue. He said he also constructed a "to do list" for the party. Pete reported that he has a bottle of gin to contribute.

c. Tom Donahue reported that he will provide a list to Foster of members who have not attended regularly so that Foster will be able to survey them.

d. Foster stated that Lloyd Lettis will be 98 years old and is a 35-year member. Foster asked Ken if there is a state certificate for such an honor. Ken responded that this occurs branch by branch.

10. New Business:

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Haley reported that he is going to encourage sign-ups today for the Giants game that is scheduled for September 12th. He stated that he has identified section 152 as a great location and tickets will be \$45 per person for the Giants versus Braves games scheduled at 12:45 PM. He said he will be collecting money.

b. Foster reported that the slate of candidates for officers will be developed in August.

c. Ken Newton reported that we should not refer to any giveaways or "raffles" in minutes or announcements. Foster agreed.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Vasquez Secretary SIR, Branch 5

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## GOLF

Sunnyvale Golf course 6-7-18

Norm Nazzal 92 net 66 Steve Parsons 91 net 67 Jim Stevens 97 net 71 CTTP Howard Trudeau 108 net 73 CTTP Richard McGrath 86 net 75 Phil Vollmer 108 net 76 Mark Castro 111 net 80 Phil Yurtis 105 net 81 116 net 81 Azmi Habib Charles Shamieh 119 net 84 122 net 87 Jere Austin Shum Mukherjee 44/9

#### **Shoreline Golf course** 6 1 / 10

|                 | <u>6-14-18</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Howard Trudeau  | 99 net 62      |
| Mark Castro     | 96 net 64      |
| Jim Stevens     | 94 net 67      |
| Steve Parsons   | 95 net 70 CTTP |
| Greg Kemist     | 85 net 72 CTTP |
| Norm Nazzal     | 99 net 72      |
| Shum Mukherjee  | 94 net72       |
| Szmi Habib      | 114 net 77     |
| Charles Shamieh | 116 net 79     |
| Jere Austin     | 122 net 85     |

#### **Moffett Field Golf course**

6-21-18 Norm Nazzal 92 net 65 Mark Castro 101 net 68 96 net 72 CTTP Steve Parsons Azmi Habib 110 net 72 Howard Trudeau 111 net 73 Phil Yurtis 100 net 74 103 net 76 Jim Stevens Jere Austin 117 net 79 Charles Shamieh 124 net 86

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| Los Lagos Golf course |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <u>6-28-18</u>        |                 |
| Jim Stevens           | 92 net 67       |
| Norm Nazzal           | 97 net 72 CTTP  |
| Ed Nazzal             | 100 net 75      |
| Steve Parsons         | 100 net 78 CTTP |
| Azmi Habib            | 114 net 79      |
| Jere Austin           | 117 net 82      |

## MAC Group

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

## 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.

## NNNNNNNNNNNNNN 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/, which includes travel news from other branches



#### HOMESTEAD LANES, HOMESTEAD AND STELLING, CUPERTINO

(BRANCHES 5, 35 & 51) 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 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) 

## Bikina 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 2<sup>Nd</sup>Thursday—July 12, 2018 , 11:00 AM

Wives and 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 Highway 17) 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.

THE NEXT TWO RIDES ARE: AUGUST 9.2018 STEVENS CREEK/SHORELINE PARK (MOUNTAIN. VIEW) SEPTEMBER 13,2018 MT VIEW

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Close call



New Ninety Year Olds Certificates





Whoopee !!!!!!!!!!

June battlers

RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

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