

SONS IN RETIREMENT



SOUTHERN PENINSULA BRANCH FIVE

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**NO MEETING IN
JANUARY
NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

We had a great Holiday Party in December with 43 members and guests in attendance highlighted by Ed Nazzel's always interesting orchid presentation.

I wish all of you a very happy New Year and hope to see you all at our February meeting.

We just heard from the daughter of Richard Dole that he had passed away at Thanksgiving time. He was a valued member of Branch 5 for 15 years.
Roy

Branch 5 SIR 2020 Officers

Big Sir-Roy Dreisbach
Little Sir-Bob Simons
Treasurer-Pete LoPresto
Asst. Treasurer-Carl Orta
Secretary-Phil Yurtis
Asst. Sec.-Gary Hornberger

2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

The time for renewal of your membership dues is at hand. SIR-5 has had an excellent record for the payment of dues for the past 5 years at 100%. Your dues

payment is important for the successful operation of our branch and helps defray costs for our extra membership events such as the July BBQ and the annual Christmas Party. Payment can be mailed to your Treasurer, Pete LoPresto, 1384 Sage Hen Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94087. Make checks to SIR-5 in the amount of \$30. Thank you.

THANKS TO LES SPRING



Les retired as the editor of the monthly Branch 5 Bulletin after 13 years of service. We all very much appreciate his effort and dedication.



Roy Dreisbach receives certificate of appreciation from Foster Kinney as 2019 Big SIR



Branch 5 2020 Officers



Ed Nazzal speaks on orchids at Holiday Party



John Whittier presents grand prize hand turned bowl to Ed Nazzal

Luncheon Menu

Not available

Speaker

Not available

BULLETIN EDITOR NEEDED

A permanent editor is needed for the monthly Branch 5 Bulletin. The effort involves receiving bulletin inputs from regular contributors (mostly branch officers), copying and pasting these inputs into the prior month's bulletin which is in MSword format, and making sure the formatting is correct. Finally, the Word document is converted to pdf format (using MSword) for emailing to our Web Master for posting on-line. For more information contact Dave Spaulding at sirbulletinspauld@att.net

January Branch 5 Calendar

January

Jan. 2 – Golf at Sunnyvale - 9:30 AM

Jan. 7 - Bocce at Cuesta Park, Mountain View - 2:00 PM

Jan. 9 - Golf at Shoreline - 9:30 AM

Jan. 16 - Golf at Moffett - 9:30 AM

Jan. 21 - Bocce at Cuesta Park, Mountain View - 2:00 PM

Jan. 22 – No Lunch Meeting

Jan. 23 - Golf at Los Lagos – 9:36 AM

Jan. 30 – No Golf - Open Date

February

Feb. 4 - Bocce at Cuesta Park, Mountain View - 2:00 PM

Feb. 6 – Golf at Sunnyvale – 9:30 AM

Feb. 18 - Bocce at Cuesta Park, Mountain View - 2:00 PM

Feb. 13 - Golf at Shoreline – 9:30 AM

Feb. 20 - Golf at Moffett - 9:30 AM

Feb. 26 – Lunch Meeting at Michaels – 11:00 AM

Feb. 27 - Golf at Los Lagos – 9:36 AM

March 25 SIR meeting

April 22 SIR meeting

Wheelchair Available for SIR Members and Families

SIR Branch 5 owns a wheelchair, which is currently in storage. It is available for any branch member or family member that would like to use it. Please contact Gary Hornberger at (408) 264-5029 or ghornberger@earthlink.net to inquire about the wheelchair. Delivery to your home will be provided.

Attendance Report

December 2019 Holiday Party

Attendance

26 Members, including speaker
18 Guests

Membership Changes

Not available

Roster Changes

Not available

January Birthdays

Not available

Summary of Branch 5

Executive Board

Minutes

Not available

December Golf

Shoreline golf course
12-12-19

Jim Stevens 103 net 72
Richard McGrath 84 net 73
Jiries Nazzal 110 net 75 CTTTP
Azmi Habib 114 net 76
Charles Shamieh 120 net 83CTTP
Howard Trudeau 58/9

MAC Group

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

Bocce Ball

Carl Orta is reserving the two bocce courts from 2:00-4:00 PM on Tuesdays January 7, 21, and February 4, 18 and March 3, 17 for members of SIR 5 and their guests at Cuesta Park, Mountain View. We have enough bocce balls for 8 players, so there is plenty of room... AND THE COST IS FREE!! Please call Carl, 650-868-5221 (carlcal54@sbcglobal.net) or Foster Kinney 650-299-9479 (fostertkinney@gmail.com) (note the extra "t") to tell him you are coming.

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.

Travel News for Area 16, Branches 5,35, & 51

You may read the State SIR newsletter called SIR HAPPENINGS at the state

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

Bowling for Branches **5,35, & 51**

We bowl every Tuesday at the
Homestead Lanes - Homestead &
Stelling Roads - in Cupertino.
Our next bowling will be on
January 7th. If you are interested
in joining the league - there are
always openings. Contact Bob
Taggart
chtaggart@earthlink.net 650-321-
2654 or
Doug Anderson
marktintl@aol.com 415-407-4000

Biking

Jim Lunt, 408-252-6804,
jamesdlunt@yahoo.com cell –
408-921-5085
Gordon Tong 408-243-0557
gordy6850@gmail.com
2nd Thursday, January 9,2020,
11:00 AM; Wives and guests
welcome.

Rain cancels; Helmet required

January Ride

Stevens Creek Trail & Shoreline
Park (Mt. View): We will ride
a flat 14-mile round-trip to
Michael's Restaurant in Shoreline
Park, plus an optional 5-mile loop
to the Palo Alto Duck Pond, near
the Palo Alto Airport (a total ride
of 19 miles). Lunch will be at
Michael's. (If the weather is nice
we may even go farther up to
Facebook and eat at a strip mall.
This will add another 4 to 5 mile
to the round trip.)

Directions: Meet at the south
end of the Stevens Creek bike
path at the corner of Sleeper Ave.
and Franklin Ave. From Palo

Alto, go south on El Camino, to
Grant Rd.; turn right. The first
street past the 3rd traffic signal is
Sleeper Ave.; turn left. Go 8
blocks to the end of Sleeper Ave.
to a small park. Park your car
along the curb.

To ride or for info contact me or
Gordon Tong, see above.

February Ride

2nd Thursday, February 13,
2019 11:00 AM; Wives and
guests welcome.

Rain Cancels; Helmet Required
Coyote Creek Trail (South San
Jose): We will ride the Coyote
Creek Trail starting from the Four
Wyndham Garden Hotel at 399
Silicon Valley Rd, San Jose. The
ride will be about 6 miles to the
Coyote Creek Golf Course. We
will go past the golf course
another 3 miles to a model
airplane launching site, then
double back to the golf course
club house for lunch. After lunch
we will ride back to the hotel
parking lot for a total of 18 flat
miles, round trip. For those who
want a shorter ride, they may
omit the ride to the airplane site,
thus reducing the round trip to 6
miles.

Directions: The Wyndham
Garden Hotel is located south of
San Jose, one block east of
highway 101 and just north of the
highway 101/ 85 interchange. The
directions are the same whether
coming on highway 101 or
85: Take the Bernal Rd. exit.
Turn left on Bernal Rd., which
becomes Silicon Valley Blvd
after crossing under 101. Turn left
on Rue Ferrari Rd., the service
road next to the hotel, and park in
the hotel parking lot behind the

furthest hotel building on the
right. If you plan to ride or have
questions, contact James or
Gordon (see above).

Pictures from the Christmas Luncheon





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