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For Retired Men



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Devoted to the  
promotion of independence and  
Dignity of retirement

LUNCHEON-12 NOON - FIRST WEDNESDAY - FREMONT HILLS CC, 12889 VISCAINO PL.LOS ALTOS HILLS

**Speaker**  
**November 6th, 2013**

**BILL KAMIN**  
**Iran, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan**

Bill Kamin, our member since the 80’s, has spent much of his time traveling the world. One of his most memorable trips was made last November to Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Iran. The Stans had a long history of stations along the Silk Road and prominent cities in the empire of Genghis Khan. Iran has an ancient heritage from the time of Cyrus the Great and monumental ruins like Persepolis. Kamin was able to travel through Iran despite the present animosity between our governments. Since retirement he has been making and selling photography from his travels. He will present photos from this trip, accompanied by commentary.

Iran lies between Iraq to the west and Afghanistan/Pakistan to the east. Turkmenistan lies North of Iran/Afghanistan with Uzbekistan to the northeast.

**FUTURE SPEAKERS**

- Dec 12:** Christmas Party will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of December (December 12). The club needs their space for a week long charity event.
- Jan 8:** To be determined
- Feb 5<sup>th</sup>:** Ron Lynn from Stanford football
- March:** To be determined
- April 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Ray Nast about Silicon Valley Trends

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS PLEASE CONTACT INCOMING LITTLE SIR: Rick McLain 408-629-8170**

**WEBSITE**  
**www.sir51.org**  
SIR Branch #51 now has a website thanks to MARC COHEN. Check out the site for back issues of the newsletter and information about activities. Please notify Marc at 650-961-4882 if you have any suggestions for the site.

**2014 officers**  
The following are the officers for 2014 approved by voice vote at our August meeting

BIG SIR.....Channell Wasson  
LITTLE SIR.....Rick McLain  
SECRETARY.....Greg Schaem  
ASST SECRETARY....Aaron Matityahu  
TREASURER.....Myron Hollister  
ASST TREASURER.....Marc Cohen

DIRECTORS.....Jim Cummings  
Tim Eastham  
Roger Murray  
Sam Meredith

**SIR HAPPENINGS**  
The SUMMER issue of SIR Happenings  
Is now available  
for information about statewide  
Activities of SIR go to SIR HAPPENINGS  
<http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

## NEW MEMBERS

JOHN PERUMATTAM (Annie) 650-917-9621  
30 Chester Circle, Los Altos 94022  
Johnson and Johnson Golf-Travel-computers  
[perumattam@hotmail.com](mailto:perumattam@hotmail.com)

FRANK UDA (Lisa) 408-629-6209  
5968 Shawcroft Drive, San Jose 95123  
IBM – Now girls basketball coach Oak Grove HS  
[Uda16@yahoo.com](mailto:Uda16@yahoo.com) Golf/Tennis

## ACTIVITIES



**COMPUSIR:** Meetings are held the  
SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month at  
7:15 pm. at The PALO ALTO ELKS  
LODGE 4249 EL CAMINO REAL – PALO  
ALTO For entry, use the announce button on the  
pedestal to the left of the door. The meeting is  
upstairs. (elevator available past the stairway).  
More information at [www.pa-spaug.org](http://www.pa-spaug.org).  
11:30 lunch: can always find others discussing  
computer problems and solutions  
**Oct 9:** Contact Spaug for information

Special Interest Groups — SIGs meet at [Central Computer](#), Santa Clara, Monday evenings at 7pm. (For more information – [SVUGA](#) the Silicon Valley User Group Activities web site features SPAUG and SVCS among other local organizations.)

Build It Yourself SIG — contact/leader: Fred Townsend  
Windows SIG — contact/leader: Kevin Lynn  
Digital Imaging SIG — contact/leader: George Hamma & Richard Eggers  
Web SIG — contact/leader: Maury Green  
JIM DINKEY (493-9307)

## **MACINTOSH USERS**

**Skip Ross 541-857-6224**  
[wross@closereach.com](mailto:wross@closereach.com)

Contact Skip Ross to join this e-mail group where SIR members in all branches can exchange MAC-related news, get answers to questions and share experiences.



**BRIDGE:** If you would like to play bridge for an hour or so after a meeting please call BOB WARD (650-592-8545) or e-mail at [bandlward\(at\)sbcglobal.net](mailto:bandlward(at)sbcglobal.net). There is almost always a game after our luncheon.



**GOLF:** The following months' schedules are

<u>OCTOBER</u>		<u>NOVENBER</u>	
01 <b>TUE</b> Sunnyvale	09:30	05 TUE Santa Clara	10:00
09 Wed Spring Valley	10:00	13 Wed Spring Valley	10:00
16 Wed Poplar Creek	<b>10:15</b>	20 Wed Los Lagos	10:30
23 Wed Crystal springs	10:00	27 Wed Shoreline	10:00
30 Wed Los Lagos	10:00		

## September Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Bud Nelligan	86	1-Art Lewis	67
Jim Cummings	86	2-Roy Deffebach	68
3-Ben Guess	88	3-Bud Nelligan	69
4-Roy Deffebach	90	Frank Uda	69
5-Tim Eastham	93	5-Jim Cummings	70
6-Frank Uda	94	Norv Steele	70
Rick McLain	94	Walt McCullough	70
8-Art Lewis	96	8-Marc Cohen	72
9-John Perumattam	98	Tim Eastham	72
Bill Dreyfus	98	Nevand Godhwani	72

## **PLEASE BE AT THE COURSE AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FIRST TEE TIME.**

All of the golf courses we play require a player count 7 to 14 days prior to play date. Please call or e-mail JIM CUMMINGS (650-328-2168) if your play or no-play commitment changes.

KAI JOHANSEN (853-2493)



**TENNIS:** Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto.

Be Please be there by 8 AM when doubles teams will be formed. Later arrivals will play as sets are completed. We play an open spin-in doubles format. Play level is around 2.5. We welcome non-SIRS players so bring a friend!

BILL KAMIN (322-4300)



**SIRS ON BIKES:** SIR Area #16 bike rides regularly start at 11:00 AM the **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.** Wives and Guests are welcome.

**Bring bike, helmet and a jacket if it is windy. Rain will cancel.** Attendance averages 10-15 riders. More are welcome. Rides are planned to be 15-20 miles on paved bicycle trails (so that almost any type of bike is usable) with some optional ride distances. The pace is moderate and riding on streets is kept to a minimum and includes a restaurant lunch break.

**October 10th Ride:**

**Copvoto Crk-Alameda Creek(Niles/Fremont)**

The Ride: We will begin the ride at the Coyote Hills Park and continue on the Alameda Trail to Niles where we will have lunch at a restaurant in downtown Niles. The ride is 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.

**To Ride – contact Jerry Butler or Karl Resick**

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>		<u>ALTERNATE</u>
Jerry Butler		Karl Resick
650-494-8078	<b>OR</b>	650-941-8837
gxb366(at)aol.com		karl.resick(at)Stanfordalumni.org

**FUTURE RIDES**

Nov 14: Foster City Bay Trail  
Dec: No Ride scheduled



The summer hours (until daylight savings ends) are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9:30 Please be there by 9:00 for the start time of 9:30. Experienced players should show up 30 minutes early to be entered into the draw for teams. **FREE COACHING IS AVAILABLE FOR NEW PLAYERS.**

DON HUGHES (323-9916)



**INDOOR BOWLING:** (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. **Tuesdays at Homestead Lanes: Homestead and Stelling in Sunnyvale.** 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.

**SEASON HIGH SCORES**

<u>SCRATCH SERIES</u>		<u>SCRATCH GAME</u>	
Bob Taggart	540	Ron Nakamoto	199
Tim Eastham	486	Chuck Huff	192
Al Runge	445	Fred Schwalbach	158

<u>HANDICAP SERIES</u>		<u>HANDICAP GAME</u>	
Ptah Bennet	653	Jeff Grundy	244
Jerry Coe	619	Earl Pampeyan	222
Bill Webster	891	Dopug Anderson	222

Bill Finkemeier (323-2177)

NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION: All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons in Retirement, Inc., and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons in Retirement, Inc., and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities.

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



Numerous Trips are available through SIR statewide through the state publication SIR **HAPPENINGS.** Use the website:

- [www.sirinc.org](http://www.sirinc.org) click travel
- Albuquerque Balloons
- Cruise Canada/New England
- Branson
- Provence to Paris
- Christmas on the Seine
- Cuba
- And more

All changes in address and/or telephone number must be reported to the Membership Committee Chairman:  
Tim Eastham, 2110 Ward Way, Woodside, Ca 94062 (650-366-2449).

**SIR BRANCH #51 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Big Sir: Jim Cochran	968-9049
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ACTIVITIES CHAIRMEN

Bowling, Indoor: Bill Finkemeier	323-2177
Lawn Bowling: Don Hughes	323-9916
Bridge: Bob Ward	592-8545
Bicycling: Jerry Butler (Br. 35)	494-8078
Compusir: Jim Dinkey (Br 35)	493-9307
Golf: Kai Johansen	853-2493
Tennis: Bill Kamin	322-4300
Travel: Art Lloyd	384-6424

ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMEN

Attendance: Arjun Godhwani	510-490-7503	Luncheon Coordinator: Bill Finkemeier	323-2177
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Bulletin: Jim Cummings	328-2168	Membership: Tim Eastham	366-2449
E-Mail Contact: Art Lewis	964-3223	New Members: Roger Murray	329-8832
Good Samaritan: Charlie Lomax	948-6702	New Member orientation: Roy Deffebach	631-0585
Greeters: Norv Steele & Al Runge	408-243-2620	Nominating Committee: Bob Guffey	593-3496
Historian:		Special Events: Bob Guffey	593-3496

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