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

July 2nd Speaker

Peggy McKee
Historian

PEGGY McKEE is a very popular history teacher at Castilleja High School in Palo Alto. She has a particular interest in the Middle East and Russia.

She will present a compelling audio/visual presentation as she speaks about Ukraine, Crimea, and Moldavia all of which are prime areas of her years of history studies. Mrs. McKee will also supply informative hand-outs plus a computer link so we can further explore the subject.

Ukraine occupies a significant role in Russian history. Not only did it provide a warm water port for Russian ships but it also was significant in farming. The capital – Kiev - is in the interior while Odessa on the southern coast on the black sea is a common destination for cruise ships. Odessa is the home of the Potemkin steps featured in a classic 1920’s silent movie. Sevastopol on the Crimean peninsula is a major Russian naval area where many Russian submarines and other navy ships are kept and maintained. Prior to Putin’s recent adventures, Ukraine had an agreement allowing the Russian navy to use the port. Directly to the east across the peninsula is Yalta where agreements were reached regarding World War II settlements.

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

FUTURE SPEAKERS

Aug 6th: All about 2-man submarines by Ed Wright’s son Adam
Sept 3rd: Tim Ryan – New 49er radio color Analyst.

2015 PROPOSED OFFICERS

- Big SIR.....Rick McLain
- Little SIR.....Sam Meredith
- Secretary.....Greg Schaem
- Assist Sec.....John Perumattan
- Treasurer.....Myron Hollister
- Assist Treas.....Marc Cohen

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- Director, Bulletin.....Jim Cummings
- Director, Attendance.....Arjun Godhwani
- Director, Social
- Director, Past President.....Channell Wasson

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

It is that time again. The contribution amount is the same as last year, which allowed us to “break even” for our 2012 operating budget. The contribution amount is therefore again \$20 for active members and \$10 for inactive members. It can be paid by check or cash (checks preferred – payable to SIR Branch #51). Payments can be made at our regular monthly meetings or checks can be mailed any time to the treasurer at the following address:

Myron Hollister
4148 Old Trace Road
Palo Alto Ca 94306

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.

For information about statewide Activities of SIR go to SIR HAPPENINGS <http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

New Member

NEIL BONKE (Karen) 650-948-4980
295 Covington Road Los Altos, Ca. 94024
nbonke@aol.com Reading, Kayaking, travel
SPONSOR: Craig Carpenter
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ACTIVITIES



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. There is almost always a game after our luncheon.



COMPUSIR is a self-help Computer discussion group. We meet for lunch and discussion on the second Wednesday of each month 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 Front door. **COMPUSIR** is now part of SPAUG (the Palo Alto – Stanford Users Group). SPAUG Meetings are still held the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7:15 pm. at PA Elks Lodge (address above). The meeting is upstairs (elevator available past the stairway). More information at www.pa-spaug.org.

April 9th – next scheduled meeting – see SPAUG website at www.pa-spaug.org.

COMPUSIRS contact is Jim Dinkey (650-493-9307)

More information at www.pa-spaug.org.

Computer Special Interest Groups

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

MACINTOSH USERS

Skip Ross 541-857-6224

waross@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.



GOLF: The following months' schedules

JUNE

03 **TUE** Los Lagos 10:00 01 **TUE** Shoreline 10:00
11 Wed Spring Valley 10:00 09 Wed Poplar Creek **10:15**
18 Wed Santa Clara 10:00 16 Wed Aptos seascape 10:00
25 Wed Crystal Springs 10:00 23 Wed Sunol-Cypress 10:00
30 Wed Los Lagos **10:30**

JULY

April Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Ned Miller	74	1-Kevin Wheaton	63
2-Bud Nelligan	79	Bud Nelligan	63
3-Jim Stanford	82	Ned Miller	63
4-Kingsley Wood	84	4-Kai Johansen	64
Ben Guess	84	5- Jim Stanford	65
6-Kevin Wheaton	87	6-Jim Cochran	66
7-Kai Johansen	87	Roy Deffebach	66
8-Jim Cummings	88	8-Ben Guess	67
9-Roy Deffebach	90	9-Kingsley Wood	68
		Lyle Johnson	68

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)



The winter hours (until June) are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1:30. Please be there by 1:00 for the 1:30 start time. Experienced players need to be there 30 minutes early to be entered into the draw for teams. **FREE COACHING IS AVAILABLE FOR NEW PLAYERS.**

Don Hughes (322-4300)



SIRS ON BIKES: SIR Area #16 bike rides regularly start at 11:00 AM the **2nd 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

2nd Thursday-JULY 12th-11:00 AM
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.

To ride or info contact
Jerry butler or Karl Resick

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

FUTURE RIDES

Aug 14: Stevens Creek/Shoreline Park (Mt.View)
Sep 11: Mt. View to Alviso
Oct 9: Coyote Hills-Alameda Creek (Fremont/Niles)
Nov 13: Foster City Bay Trail



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>	
Al Runge	551	Tim Eastham	220
Robert Dunn	528	Bob Taggart	199
Jeff Grundy	504	Fred Schwalbach	192
<u>HANDICAP SERIES</u>		<u>HANDICAP GAME</u>	
Roy Robinson	707	Phil VanderWerf	265
George Center	701	Arnie Satterlee	253
Darryl Walker	683	Harold Kaye	251

Bill Finkemeier (323-2177)



TENNIS: Our tennis group meets

Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto.

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 about 2.5.

We welcome non-SIRS so bring a friend.

Bill Kamin (322-4300)

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. Check the state publication

SIR HAPPENINGS

www.sirinc.org

click on travel

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

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ACTIVITIES CHAIRMEN

Bowling, Indoor: Bill Finkemeier	323-2177
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Bridge: Bob Ward	592-8545
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Golf: Kai Johansen	853-2493
Tennis: Bill Kamin	322-4300
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ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMEN

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E-Mail Contact: Art Lewis	964-3223	New Members: Roger Murray	329-8832
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