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

SPEAKER
March 4th, 2015
Walt McCullough
Greg Schaem
Aaron Matityahu

Our members – Walt, Aaron, and Greg – will be talking about their hobbies: bee-keeping, Olive oil, and wine making.

Born and raised in Indiana Walt McCullough learned beekeeping when he was 13 years old. He came west to seek his fortune and brought his bee-keeping skills with him.

Greg Schaem spent some of his early adult years in France and speaks French fluently. His interest in wine developed as a hobby.

Aaron Matityahu was born in Baghdad and spends some time in Israel. He was in real estate along with his wife and now has a home in Los Altos. He has developed an olive tree farm near Copperopolis. Once a year Aaron and family along with friends have an olive picking weekend at the tree farm.

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY
SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS
PLEASE CONTACT
LITTLE SIR: Sam Meredith
650-325-4152**

FUTURE SPEAKERS

April 1: David Billington Jr.– construction engineer about the golden gate bridge

May 6: Lt. Col. Enrique Oti will discuss Russia and China’s cyberspace strategies.

June 3: Summer member-guest luncheon – will return to the outdoor BBQ format

VOLUNTARY DUES

Once a year we collect voluntary dues of \$20. These dues are used to pay our expenses so it is important that all members. Help out by paying this modest stipend. You can pay at the luncheon or mail a check to our treasurer

Myron Hollister
4148 Old Trace Road
Palo Alto, Ca. 94306

WEBSITE
www.sir51.org
SIR Branch #51 now has a website. 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/>

ACTIVITIES



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 **P**alo **A**lto – **S**tanford **U**sers **G**roup). SPAUG Meetings are still held the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7:00 **pm.** at PA Elks Lodge (address above). The meeting is upstairs (elevator available past the stairway). More information at www.pa-spaug.org. Some members meet for dinner at the club at 5:30

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.



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)



GOLF: The following months' schedules

FEBRUARY

03 **TUE** Sunnyvale 10:00
11 Wed Poplar Creek **10:15**
18 Wed Spring Valley 10:00
25 Wed CrystalSprngs 10:00

MARCH

03 **TUE** Spring Valley 10:00
11 Wed Sunnyvale 10:00
18 Wed Sunol(Cypress)10:00
25 Wed Los Lagos 10:00
31 **TUE** Shoreline 10:00

November/December Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Jim Cummings	83	1-Gerry Shebar	62
2-Tony Hanley	84	Tony Hanley	62
2-Dennis Gaushell	84	3-Nevand Godhwani	64
4-Bud Nelligan	85	4-Rob Harrell	66
5-Kingsley Wood	87	5-Kai Johansen	67
5-Ben Guess	87	6-Kingsley Wood	68
7-Ned Miller	88	Roger Murray	68
8-Jim Cochran	91	8-Ben Guess	70
Gerry Shebar	91	Art Lewis	70
Jeff Colflesh	91	Aaron Matityahu	70

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 are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 12:30. Please be there by 12:15 for the 12:30 start time. Experienced players need to be there 15 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.

Coyote Hills / 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.

If you plan to ride or have questions, contact Jim Lunt as per above, or contact Karl Reseck at 650-941-8837.

NEXT RIDE

April 9: Foster City Bay Trail, Foster City

To Ride or More Info: CONTACT

CHAIRMAN

Jim Lunt
408-252-6804 **OR**
jamesdlunt@yahoo.com

ALTERNATE

Karl Resick
650-941-8837
karl.resick(at)
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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

SCRATCH SERIES

621 John Faucett
576 Phil Vanderwerf
538 Tim Eastham

SCRATCH GAME

Al Runge 223
Doug Ericsson 222
Bob Taggert 214

HANDICAP SERIES

732 Jeff Grundy
685 Robert Dunn
672 Alan Goudie

HANDICAP GAME

Ron Nakamoto 263
Perry Brown 255
Carl Moyer 253

Bill Finkemeier (323-2177)

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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

August 20, 2015 Phantom of the Opera - Includes round trip motor coach w/ driver tip, hosted lunch at the Fog Harbor Fish House on Pier 39, and admission to loge seating for a 2:00 P.M. performance at the Orpheum Theater in San Francisco. The cost is **\$178 per person** with full payment due on sign-up. **Checks** are preferred and trip costs are NON-Refundable—although they may be transferred if minimum count has been met and/or there is an active waiting list. Sign-up deadline is July 6th, 2015. An early sell-out is expected so don't wait until the deadline. Make checks payable to: **Cruise Adventures Unlimited Trust Account.** For more information and reservations contact SIR Escorts Mike Console (408) 246-1080 or John Pletsch (408) 274-29

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).

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