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

SPEAKER

April 6th, 2016

DOROTHY NGUTTER

**Hoover State Department representative
USA-TURKEY RELATIONS**



Dorothy Ngutter, representing the US Department of State, is a national security affairs fellow for 2015-16 at the Hoover Institution. Ngutter earned a dual bachelor of arts degree in political science and communication studies from Northeastern University and a master of art in law & diplomacy from the Fletcher School at Tufts University. A career diplomat, Ngutter was most recently the deputy political counselor at the US Embassy in Ankara, Turkey. She previously served as a special assistant to Ambassador William J. Burns in the office of the undersecretary of state for political affairs covering Africa and global issues, as the Peru desk officer in the state department's Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, and as a watch officer in the department's 24/7 crisis management center. She speaks fluent Turkish, Spanish, and basic French and Swahili.

TURKEY is the result of the post WW1 breakup of the Ottoman empire. The country became a republic in 1920 and has made itself into a modern country. Its most famous city is Istanbul (formerly Constantinople) a city of 15 million people and a popular cruise stop. Ephesus is also a common cruise stop and is a fascinating example of an old Roman city. The country has been trying for a number of years to join the European Union to give itself an outlet for its high tech and other industries.

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY
SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS
PLEASE CONTACT
LITTLE SIR: Craig Carpenter
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FUTURE SPEAKERS:

May 4: BETTY ANN BOEVING - Founder and director of BAAHTC about human trafficking

June 1: SUMMER BBQ

July 6: JOE HUBER -Currently a Santa Clara Superior Court Judge

**From The BIG SIR
Sam Meredith**

A big Thank You to Russ Porter for arranging our March Speaker. Margaret O'Mara's appearance was a big success and a timely topic.

With such interesting speakers, we should get a larger turnout for our luncheons. Presently, we get only about 50% attendance. I encourage you to attend our monthly luncheon meetings.

In April, our speaker is Dorothy Ngutter who currently represents the U.S. State Department at Hoover. Previously, she was assigned to Turkey and that is her topic next month.

Finally, a gentle reminder. Pay your dues. You may place \$25 in the jar at check-in or send to Myron Hollister at 4148 Old Trace Road, Palo Alto, CA 94306.
SAM MEREDITH

2015 VOLUNTARY DUES 2015

We are doing well in collecting dues – However there are still a few members who have not yet paid. Once a year we collect voluntary dues of \$25. 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

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NEW MEMBERS

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World's fastest motorcycle 245 mph 1966-1970
Uncle is Alex Tremulis – Tucker auto designer

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 Palo Alto – Stanford Users Group). 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

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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' schedule

MARCH

01 TUE Los Lagos	10:00	05 TUE Shoreline	10:00
09 Wed Sunnyvale	10:00	13 Wed Crystal Springs	10:00
16 Wed Moffett Field	10:00	20 Sunnyvale	10:00
23 Wed Spring Valley	10:00	27 Moffett Field	10:00
30 Wed Poplar Creek	10:15		

APRIL

DECEMBER-JANUARY Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Ned Miller	78	1-Mike McMahon	60
2-Steve Tremulis	81	2-Jim Cochran	62
3-Ben Guess	83	3-Steve Tremulis	63
4-Jim Cummings	86	4-Sam Meredith	64
5-Mike McMahon	87	Jim Ramaker	64
6-Jeff Colflesh	88	John Perumattam	64
Dick Taylor	88	7-Tony Hanley	65
Tony Hanley	88	8-Greg Schaem	66
9-Greg Schaem	89	Aaron Matityahu	66
Kingsley Wood	89	Art Lewis	66
Jim Ramaker	89		

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 and Thursday at 12:30.

SATURDAYS are at 9:30 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 (323-9916)



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 — April 14, 2016, 11:00 AM
Foster City Bay Trail**

Ride: We will ride the flat Foster City Bay Trail for about 10 miles from the Oracle Headquarters to the Poplar Creek Golf Club at Coyote Point for lunch, and then return (approximately 20 miles round trip). It might be windy, so bring a jacket or windbreaker.

Directions: Get off Highway 101 at Marine Parkway/ Ralston. Turn right on Marine Parkway, then an immediate left onto Oracle Parkway. The meeting point is a tree-shaded parking lot with restrooms to the left of this intersection. If the parking lot there is full, backtrack over the creek to 401-501 Island Parkway and park in the Oracle lot. Ride your bike across the pedestrian bridge to the meeting point.

To Ride or More Info: CONTACT

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TENNIS: Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Ranconada 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)



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

615 Doug Ericsson

539 Tim Eastham

537 Ed White

SCRATCH GAME

Phil Vanderwerf

John Faucett

Bob Taggart

224

211

208

HANDICAP SERIES

679 Jerry Ososkie

678 Ranney Thayer

663 Bill Webster

HANDICAP GAME

Hutch Hutchinson

Fred Emmenegge

Jay Jonekait

266

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TIM EASTHAM (366-2449)

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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

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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