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SEPTEMBER 2016 Devoted to the promotion of independence and Dignity of retirement

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

SPEAKER September 7th 2016 <u>THE SECRETS OF</u> SILICON VALLEY'S SUCCESS <u>Neil R. Bonke</u>



We all know how Silicon Valley got started and some of the stories about some of the early pioneers. Neil will be speaking about the little things that led to the success. Many areas could have developed the same way and now offer competition. He will offer reasons for the past success and talk about the future. Will it all blow up or will the area continue to be the leader.

Mr. Bonke has been a successful entrepreneur, CEO and a venture capitalist. He now serves on the Boards of some local companies. He is a graduate of Clarkson University in Engineering Management and sponsors a Professership in Engineering Management at his Alma Mater. IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS PLEASE CONTACT LITTLE SIR: Craig Carpenter 650-930-0510

FUTURE SPEAKERS:

Oct 5: Dennis Gaushell-Impact of renewable energy on California Electric System operation **Nov 2:** Jim Colton-CUBA-PAST-PRESENT-FUTURE

Dec 7: HOLIDAY PARTY

Jan 4: Dr James Chang – Hand Surgeon – "Rodin's Hands" Feb 1: Dr. Amir Matityahu – orthopedic surgeon

2017 OFFICERS

Approved at our	July Luncheon
BIG SIR	Craig Carpenter
LITTLE SIR	Walt McCullough
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ASST. SECRETARY.	Gerry Shebar
DIRECTOR	Russ Porter
DIRECTOR	Jim Cummings
DIRECTOR	Kingsley Wood
DIRECTOR	Tim Eastham

IN MEMORIUM

Charley Lomax Passed away August 10

Services at 2 Pm Aug 20 Christ Episcopal Church 1040 Border Road Los Altos

2016 VOLUNTARY DUES 2016

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

NEW MEMBER

DESCOLLONGES, Marc (Zsuzsa) 1761 Edgewood Road Emerald Hills 96062 <u>mdescoll@gmail.com</u> 6 IBM

650-366-2022

ACTIVITIES

BOCCE BALL A new activity for our branch is on Thursdays July 28, Aug 11 and Sept 1 at the LOS ALTOS SENIOR CENTER 97 Hillview (near San Antonio and the library) from 2-4PM. Cost per player is \$1. Single players, spouses, significant others – ALL ARE WELCOME. Limited <u>initially</u> to 10 players. Contact CRAIG CARPENTER by e-mail or text to craigwardcarpenter@gmail.com (650-930-0510) on a first come – first served basis.

Craig Carpenter 650-930-0510

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** <u>Alto</u> – <u>Stanford Users Group</u>). SPAUG Meetings are still held the SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month at 7:00 <u>pm</u>. 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 <u>www.pa-spaug.org</u>.

Computer Special Interest Groups

Special Interest Groups —(SIGs) meet at <u>Central</u> <u>Computer</u>, Santa Clara, Monday evenings at 7pm. (For more information: <u>SVUGA</u> (the Silicon Valley User Group Activities) web site features SPAUG and SVCS among other local organizations.) Build It Yourself SIG — <u>contact</u>/leader: Fred Townsend Windows SIG — <u>contact</u>/leader: Kevin Lynn Digital Imaging SIG — <u>contact</u>/leader: George Hamma & Richard Eggers Web SIG — <u>contact</u>/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' schedule

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		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
02	<mark>TUE</mark>	Santa Clara	<mark>09:30</mark>	06 Tue No Golf	
10	Wed	Sunnyvale	10:00	14 Wed Poplar Creek	10:15
17	Wed	Spring Valley	10:00	21 Wed Shoreline	10:00
24	Wed	Poppy Hills	10:00	28 Wed Santa Claara	09:30
31	Wed	Los Lagos	10:00		

JULY Leader Board

GROSS		NET	
1-Ned Miller	78	1-Dick Taylor	63
2-Jim Cummings	85	2-Mike McMahon	64
2-Dick Taylor	85	3-Jim Cochran	65
2-Craig Carpenter	85	4-Roger Murray	66
2-Ben Guess	85	5-Tim Eastham	67
6-Kingsley Wood	88	Lyle Johnson	67
Steve Tremulis	88	7-Jim Cummings	68
8-Mike McMahon	89	8-Jeff Kaufman	69

PLEASE BE AT THE COURSE AT LEAST <u>ONE HOUR</u> 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)

Thursday at 9:30. 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 — Sept 8, 2016, 11:00 AM Mountain View to Alviso

The Ride: We begin the ride at the La Avenida Trial Head and follow the Stevens Creek Trail for 1.5 miles where we connect with the Bay Trail. We continue the ride 3.5miles on the levees and old service roads as we cross the waters north of Moffett Field. (Note: This portion of the Bay Trail has been resurfaced and is not bumpy as before) We then head for Sunnyvale Baylands Park where we do go on packed gravel to downtown Alviso, where we will have lunch at a restaurant. The ride is 9.5 miles one way. We will return on the same route for a roundtrip of 19 miles. There are no optional shortcuts.

Directions: Meet at the La Avenida Trail Head at end of La Avenida Ave. From the intersection of Hwy 101 and Shoreline Blvd,head north on Shoreline Blvd. toward the Computer Museum. La Avenida is the first street on the right, but you can't turn there as it is a one-way street. Instead go past the Computer Museum to Pear Ave; turn right. Ingo Way is the next street; turn right. La Avenida is the next St.; turn left. (It is a two-way street here). Go four blocks to the end of the street. Park on the street, next to the curb.

(This time because of the traffic at the exit of 101, some riders may start from the Sleeper Ave. start. We will leave La Avenda a little after 11:00 AM to give them a chance to join us)

COME RIDE WITH US To Ride or More Info: CONTACT

<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
Jim Lunt	Gordon Tong
408-252-6804	gordy6850@gmail.com
jamesdlunt@yahoo.com	



<u>**TENNIS:</u>** Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto. Please be there by 8 AM when</u>

doubles teams will be formed. Later arrivals will play as sets are completed. We play an open spinin 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**. <u>New bowlers are</u> <u>always welcome at any level of experience.</u> If you're new, it's easier if you call me in advance so we will be prepared.

SEASON HIGH SCORES

SCRATCH SERIES	SCRATCH GAME	
639 Phil Vanderwerf	Tim Eastham	246
613 Darryl Walker	Joe Enos	213
534 John Faucett	Chuck Huff	204
HANDICAP SERIES	HANDICAP GAME	
746 Doug Ericsson	Jeff Grundy	268
687 Arnie Satterlee	Les Fisher	259
670 Ron Nakamoto	Jerry Ososkie	245

LADIES (Scratch)417 Ruth OsoskieNancy Jones140

TIM EASTHAM (366-2449)

NON_RESPOSIBILITY 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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