

NO. 485  
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For Retired Men



NOVEMBER 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**  
**November 2nd 2016**  
**CUBA**  
**Past-Present-Future**

**JIM COLTON**

Jim is a serious amateur photographer who has had his work exhibited in several local galleries. In February of 2015 he went to Cuba as a visiting artist. He went with a professional photographer who had been to Cuba 55 times in the last 15 years and personally knew many people in Cuba. They visited many of these people in their homes including the principal photographer that documented the Cuban Revolution.

Mr Colton is an experienced speaker and will also include his personal photos. His talk will include the following:

- Enough history, including before and after the Revolution, to understand how the current situation in Cuba has developed
- Current living conditions in Cuba
- Character of Cubans including their attitudes towards Americans
- Cubans working and playing
- Effects of a Communistic government on all of the above

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY  
SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS  
PLEASE CONTACT  
LITTLE SIR: Craig Carpenter  
650-930-0510**

**FUTURE SPEAKERS:**

**Dec 7: HOLIDAY PARTY**

**Jan 4:** Dr James Chang – Hand Surgeon –  
“Rodin’s Hands”

**Feb 1:** Dr. Amir Matityahu – orthopedic surgeon

**NEW MEMBERS**

MACIAG, George E. (Dziadzi/Mary Ellen)  
44 Bay Tree Lane 650-941-1392  
Los Altos 94022 [george@maciag.com](mailto:george@maciag.com)  
Music – 5 string banjo

GRUBER, Joseph (Joe)  
860 Olive St.  
Menlo Park 94021  
[josephgrubere@yahoo.com](mailto:josephgrubere@yahoo.com)  
Stamps

BONKE, Neil (Karen) 650-948-4980  
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Semiconductor Co. CEO Travel

**DUES**

SIR used to have a policy of voluntary dues but has now let local branches decide whether dues should be required or voluntary. The Board of directors has decided to make dues MANDATORY next year (2017). The amount due will continue to be \$25 and must be paid before March 31<sup>st</sup> to remain an active member.

**BIG SIR**  
Sam Meredith

## 2017 OFFICERS

Approved at our July Luncheon

BIG SIR.....Craig Carpenter  
LITTLE SIR.....Jim Ramaker  
SECRETARY.....Richard Jamison  
TREASURER.....Myron Hollister  
ASST. SECRETARY...Gerry Shebar  
DIRECTOR.....Russ Porter  
DIRECTOR.....Jim Cummings  
DIRECTOR.....Kingsley Wood  
DIRECTOR.....Tim Eastham

## ACTIVITIES

**BOCCE BALL** A new activity for our branch is 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. Please indicate your interest to [craigwardcarpenter@gmail.com](mailto:craigwardcarpenter@gmail.com)

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 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](http://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](http://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 Hama & Richard Eggers

Web SIG — contact/leader: Maury Green

## MACINTOSH USERS

Skip Ross 541-857-6224

[waross@closereach.com](mailto: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

<u>OCTOBER</u>		<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
04 TUE Spring Valley 10:00	01TUE Santa Clara	10:00	
12 Wed Sunnyvale 10:00	09 Wed Los Lagos	10:00	
19 Wed Poplar Creek 10:15	16 Wed Spring Valley	10:00	
26 Wed Crystal Springs 10:00	23 Wed Shoreline	10:00	
	30 Wed Poplar Creek	10:15	

### SEPTEMBER Leader Board

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Ben Guess	80	1-Ben Guess	60
2-Ned Miller	80	2-Dave Kohler	62
3-Jim Cummings	85	3-Gerry Shebar	65
4-Dick Taylor	86	Walt McCullough	65
5-Steve Tremulis	88	5-Tim Eastham	67
6-Kingsley Wood	86	Bob Guffey	67
Gerry Shebar	86	Jim Ramaker	67
8-Jim Ramaker	92	8-Dick Taylor	68
		Kevin Wheaton	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)



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 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. Participants should exercise good judgement such as maintaining a safe distance between riders, obeying all signs and stoplights etc.

**2nd Thursday — Nov 10, 2016, 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.

Some of the SIR bicyclists have been experimenting with establishing a 4th Thursday of the month ride. This ride will be more unstructured with the objective of finding new, paved and safe biking trails to add to the standard 9 SIR ride list. Some of these new trails may be outside of the Immediate Bay Area. The riding pace is a little faster depending on the riders, bike trails are new to the riders so there may be some backtracking and are not always well marked/identified so it makes for a more adventurous ride. If interested, please talk with Jim Lunt or Gordon Tong.

**COME RIDE WITH US**

**To Ride or More Info: CONTACT**

CHAIRMAN

Jim Lunt

408-252-6804

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ALTERNATE

Gordon Tong

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408-242-0557



**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)



**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

639 Phil Vanderwerf  
613 Darryl Walker  
574 Joe Enos

SCRATCH GAME

Tim Eastham 246  
Ron Nakamoto 225  
Chuck Huff 204  
Bob Taggart 204

HANDICAP SERIES

746 Doug Ericsson  
703 Jim Holman  
687 Arnie Satterlee

HANDICAP GAME

John Faucett 278  
Jeff Grundy 268  
Les Fisher 259

LADIES (Scratch)

417 Ruth Ososkie Nancy Jones 140

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](http://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**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Big Sir: Sam Meredith	325-4152
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Director: Walt McCullough	328-2442
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Bowling, Indoor: Tim Eastham	366-2449
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Golf: Kai Johansen	853-2493
Tennis: Bill Kamin	322-4300
Travel: Art Lloyd	384-6424

ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMEN

Attendance: Arjun Godhwani	510-490-7503
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Newsletter: Jim Cummings	328-2168
E-Mail Contact: Art Lewis	964-3223
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Historian:	

Luncheon Coordinator: Erv Ericksen	369-3873
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