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Dignity of retirement

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

Monthly Luncheon
April 3rd, 2019

Speaker: Joe Huber

Judge Joe Huber will update us on all the functions of a judge. What are the qualifications and how does one become a judge and maintain their judgeship. Joe has addressed us before so he can now update us about the problems of judging and how to avoid the Judge Persky nonsense.

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**ANY SUGGESTIONS REGARDING
SPEAKERS
PLEASE CONTACT
Walt McCullough
650-303-8194**

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**IN MEMORIUM
MARCUS COHEN
Passed away Feb 28th
End of life services
In planning stage**

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Marc Cohen was a valued member of our branch. He was always willing to take on projects and always looking for ways to make our branch run smoothly. Among other things he created our website and developed a database to keep our membership up to date. Gerry Shebar is working to recreate the website with the help of the SIR high command and Art Lewis will manage it as web master. It is important that these two fellows have a

backup manager. WE HOPE THERE IS A MEMBER WITH SOME COMPUTER KNOWLEDGE TO HELP MANAGE THE WEBSITE. PLEASE CONTACT GERRY OR ART AT THE NEXT LUNCHEON TO OFFER YOUR SERVICES. In the meantime the website is mostly operational but some data is not up to date.

Mark also took over the newsletter editing and publishing. We also need a member with modest skills in WORD to take over the publishing job. Please let me or Steve Tremulis know at our next Luncheon if you are willing to take over the newsletter.

JIM CUMMINGS
LITTLE SIR

**My Four Cents
Craig Carpenter**

Correspondent Craig Carpenter
- Former Big SIR...important guy...now impotent guy
- Currently Steve Tremulis' caddie...Walt McCullough's Uber guy, Sam Meredith's body double
- Exiled to Table 12...by the men's room

Good reads for guys:

"The Pioneers: The heroic story of the settlers who brought the American Ideal West" by David McCullough...out in May;

"The Rooster Bar" by John Grisham...a typical Grisham book but very entertaining.

On TV

Free Solo is the story of Alex Honnold attempting the first free solo climb of El Capitan's 3,000-foot vertical rock face. It is available free on Comcast On Demand. It will make you squirm as what he accomplished was essentially impossible.

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The meaning of opaque is unclear;

PUNS

Have you ever tried to eat a clock? It's very time consuming;
I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down;
It's not that the man couldn't juggle, he just didn't have the balls to do it;
So what if I don't know the meaning of the word "apocalypse"? It's not the end of the world;
Police were called to the daycare center. A 3-year old was resisting a rest;

Why Some Men Have Dogs and not Wives:

1. The later you are the more excited your dogs are to see you;
2. Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name;
3. Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor;
4. Dogs find you amusing when you are drunk;
5. Dogs like to go fishing & hunting;
6. A dog will not wake you up at night and ask you "if I died, would you get another dog?"
7. Dogs like to ride in the back of a pickup truck;

To test the above...lock your wife and your dog in the garage for an hour. Then open it and see who's happy to see you!

See you at the next SIR luncheon on Wednesday, April 3rd!

Be there or be...uninformed.

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**DUES
EVERYBODY PAID THEIR DUES
THIS YEAR**

ACTIVITIES



GOLF: Two Month's Schedule:

<u>APRIL</u>	<u>MAY</u>	
02 Tue Crystal Springs 10:00	08 Wed Shoreline 10:00	
10 Wed Shoreline 10:00	15 Wed Spring Valley 10:00	
17 Wed Sunnyvale 10:00	22 Wed Sunnyvale 10:00	
24 Wed Moffett Field 10:00	29 Wed Los Lagos 10:30	
30 Tue Poplar Creek 10:15		

PLEASE BE AT THE COURSE AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FIRST TEE TIME.

No leaderboard this month – all games rained out

All of the golf courses we play require a player count 7-14 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 (650-853-2493)



COMPUSIR is a self-help Computer discussion group. Meets monthly 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.spaug.net .

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.

INVESTMENT GROUP

BOB GUFFEY is leading a group to meet after lunch to discuss investment ideas. Any member interested in exchanging ideas is welcome to join the group after lunch meetings.



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 from 1-3 PM. Be there by **12.45.**

N. 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. **Spouses and girl friends are welcome –there are now 10 co-ed teams.**

YOU CAN JOIN ANYTIME.

A ball & shoes are available at the bowling lanes. Looking for some exercise that does not rely on good weather? Indoor 10-pin bowling is a fun low impact activity. . Most SIR bowlers are surprised at how fast bowling skills come back to them after a long lay-off. Many have not bowled since they were youngsters. Contact TIM EASTHAM (650-366-2449) for more information.



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)



TENNIS: Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto. Please be there by 8:30 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)

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.

**2nd Thursday— March 14,2019 11:00 AM
Coyote Hills / Alameda Creek — Nilis/Fremont**

The SIR Branch 35 monthly bicycling is a combined activity with all SIR Branches in Area 16. The objectives of the monthly rides are to continue to promote fellowship, share experiences, get some exercise and above all, have FUN! Planned SIR rides are announced in each SIR Monthly Newsletter and by email to all interested members. The rides are on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Wives and guest are welcome. All that a bicyclist needs are a bike, bicycling helmet, and a jacket or vest, if it is windy. Rain will cancel the planned ride. We ask that all participants exhibit a positive attitude, exercise good judgment when riding such as maintaining a safe distance between riders, obeying all traffic signs and stop lights, etc.

Biking

JAMES LUNT (408) 252-680
Gordon Tong (408) 242 0557
jamesdlunt@yahoo.com
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2Nd Thursday— April 11, 20019 11:00 AM

Wives and guests welcome
Helmet required

Rain cancels;

Location: 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.

If you plan to ride or have questions please contact Jim Lunt or Gordon Tong as above

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 at www.sirinc.org then click on Travel.



It's that time of the year!

“Battle of the Bay”

Sunday, 8/25/2019, Oakland Coliseum

1 pm; \$52; section 106, shaded area

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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