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# ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20  
**Meetings at Noon – Elks Club**  
 Jewell Street-Santa Cruz  
**August 8, 2018**

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### PAST BIG SIRs - LIVING

Dick Doubrava	2017
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Greg Horne	2015
Don Little	2014
Jim Bunker	2013
Sterling Frost	2012
Bill Neary	2011
Rich Dean	2010
Hank Pierce	2009
John Ashworth	2008
Vern Lillehaugen	2007
Jack Roberts	2006
Chuck Goddard	2004
L.W. “Mac” McNeil	2001



## Salmon with Asian Ginger Sauce

Gnocci with Pesto Sauce  
 Garden Green Salad  
 Assorted Deserts

Steamed Rice  
 Fruit Salad  
 Tea and Coffee

Note: If you can't make lunch after stating that you would attend, please notify Jesse Degennaro (426-0149) at least 3 days in advance of the regular lunch. Not calling is costly since all meals must be ordered in advance. It means that your club will be obligated to pay for the meal.

## Program

### **Lessons From The 2017 North Bay Fires**

Jonathan Cox, Information Officer for CALFIRE, will tell us about the 2017 fires in the North Bay and lessons from those fires that are applicable to our own Santa Cruz area.

### OUR BIG SIR JOE MINGIONE SEZ:



It was good to see the support we gave to one of our own at the last meeting. Our July speaker program featured Sir Terry Haskell’s passion to find his long lost Thai friend from the Vietnam war. Terry was accompanied at the meeting by movie producer, JR Joseph, who plans to promote a documentary of his venture for PBS or HBO. JR has had many of his past documentaries shown on these outlets.

Thanks goes to our SIRs branch for supporting Terry on his trip to Thailand where he will seek out his friend. The only clues to go on are his friend’s first name and the amulet given him inscribed with the words “Buddha will Protect You.” Well, the amulet did its job, Terry arrived safely home after the war. Terry, good luck on your journey and your venture.

### **THE NEW CATERER EXPERIENCE-**

Mickey’s Catering has lived up to its high ratings, the July meal was excellent. If you attended the July luncheon, you would agree, Mickey is a hard-working, conscientious “people” person. She or her

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## COMMITTEES FOR 2017

Activities	Don Little	479-7096
Audio	Dick Bemis	408-353-2829
Arrangements	Bob Hogan	334-6707
Attendance	Ken Maus	854-2303
Assistant	Bob Hogan	334-6707
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Assistant	Don Hershberger	227-4326
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Bocce Ball	Dick Doubrava	426-9701
	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
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Membership	Don Hershberger	227-4326
Program	Tom Duncanson	662-8605
	Dick Doubrava	426-9701
	Bill Neary	438-3237
Poker	Don Little	479-7096
Publicity & Recruitment	Steve Tedesco	408-810-0578
Roster	Ken Jenkins	458-0478
Song Leader	Harry Vaughn	661-0975
Sunshine	Jim Baker (Actg)	423-7429
Travel	Tom Duncanson	662-8605
Assistant	Mel Bowen	462-1885
E-mail contact	Don Hershberger	227-4326

## TELEPHONE CALLERS

### **Non Evite**

Jesse Degennaro	426-0149
Ron Graves	475-3567
Mel Ferreira	408-353-2107

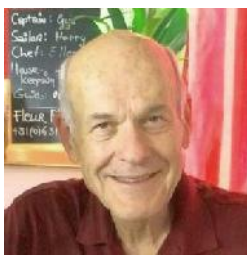
### **Evite System**

Bob Hogan	407-920-9516
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## GREETERS

Chair: Mike Almgren & Jim Riss	
John Maloney	Roger Kissinger
Tom Fahrenholz	Dave Herrington

## OUR LITTLE SIR TOM DUNCANSON SEZ:



Our speaker for this month is Jonathan Cox, Information Officer with CALFIRE Communications, Northern California Region. We finally managed to get him on our schedule back when the 2017 North Bay fires devastation was the “hot” topic. Now it’s all the 2018 fires throughout the state. Let’s hope Jonathan’s other priorities will not keep him from speaking at our luncheon this month.

“We are looking for a few good men.”

The nominating committee of myself, Joe Mingione, Don Little and Ron Graves are in the process of filling officer, director and chairman slots for next year. As this newsletter goes to print, we are still looking for two members to step up to the “officer” level as Little SIR and Assistant Treasurer. We also have a few openings at the “director” level. Together these two levels comprise the Branch Executive Committee, the primary decision making body of our Branch. If you have been asked already and declined, please reconsider. If you have not yet been approached, please be open to serving.

If you’d like to learn a little more about any of these opportunities, please ask any member of the nominating committee (see above).

As I take on the Big SIR role next year, I am looking to reducing my other roles, including program chair, travel chair, and yes, even webmaster.

- Program chair: locating and scheduling guest speakers for our monthly luncheons. It’s not a huge amount of work, with lots of resources available, but an extremely important role for the vitality of our Branch.
- Travel chair: please see the Travel article below.
- Webmaster: maintaining our Branch 20 website, especially with activity and travel updates, newsletter archives, and photos of recent functions. Candidate should have some familiarity with webpage creation and deployment applications, especially FTP. This creative role can result in much connection and fun for the right SIR.

If you’d like to learn a little more about these opportunities, please ask, Tom Duncanson at 662-8605 or [tom.duncanson@yahoo.com](mailto:tom.duncanson@yahoo.com)

Today’s pun for geometry enthusiasts: Our roundest Branch 20 member was SIR Cumference. He acquired his size from far too much pi (  $\pi$  ).

## TRAVEL-Tom Duncanson

Like to travel? How about volunteering to be next year’s Travel Chair? I have been the travel guy since joining SIR a couple of years ago. This year I am Little SIR and will be “promoted” to Big SIR next year.

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**HELP YOUR CLUB  
CONTRIBUTE  
TO THE  
TWO BUCK  
BUCKET**



**EARN A FREE LUNCH—BRING IN A NEW MEMBER**

**Next luncheon on Wednesday, August 8, 2018**

**Executive Committee (Board) Meeting will be held in the Committee Room at 10:15 AM on luncheon days.**

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SIR powers-that-be tell me the by-laws say the Big SIR cannot also be the Travel Chair.

The travel role, at least as I have played it, takes a minimal amount of time... mainly attending the BEC meeting before the luncheon meeting, displaying current travel brochures on the travel table, and saying a few encouraging words about travel during the luncheon meeting. Oh yeah, there's also writing the Travel article for the monthly newsletter and keeping the Travel section of the Branch 20 website up to date, via the webmaster. If you'd like to learn more about this opportunity, please ask, Tom Duncanson at 662-8605 or [tom.duncanson@yahoo.com](mailto:tom.duncanson@yahoo.com)

Is it time to consider the 2019 New Year's travel opportunity?

Dec 30 – Jan 3: Tucson New Year's at the Westward Look Grand Resort. Includes tours to Mission San Xavier, Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, Pima Air & Space Museum, Kartchner Caverns & Tombstone, and Sabino Canyon Tram Ride. For details and pricing, please pick up a brochure on the travel table, on the left as you exit the luncheon.

As usual, there are many more SIR Travel Opportunities from other branches. Please click on the link at [sir-inc2.org/branch20/travel](http://sir-inc2.org/branch20/travel)

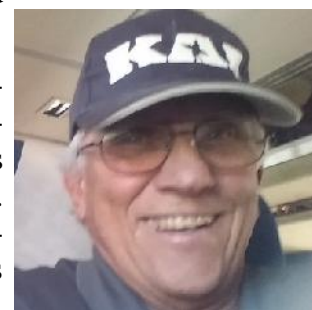
## **MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS**

Leonard (Lenny) Bernstein was born and raised in New York City. He saw service in WW2 in the infantry, fighting in France and Germany. After the war he attended Alfred College, graduating in 1949 with a degree in ceramics. He later did graduate work in Metallurgy at Columbia. With his materials background he worked for a number of companies in the emerging semiconductor industry including Fairchild, where Gordon Moore was his boss. Switching fields, he obtained a law degree and practiced for 10 years, having many tech companies as clients. He and his wife Evelyn have 2 children, 4 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. He is interested in Jazz and Jazz Photography.



John Justice was born in Washington DC and grew up there and in Yonkers. After attending several colleges, including Boston University and Cal State Hayward, he got a degree in Physical Therapy and went to work for Kaiser in the Bay area as a physical therapist. He became an avid surfer and he and his wife Barbara moved to Santa Cruz in retirement. They have a son stationed in Germany and two grandkids. John plays the trombone in a couple of local bands and in addition to playing cards with the SIRs, he and Barbara enjoy camping in their Tear Drop camper.

Jerry Zanzinger was born in Chester PA and later moved to the Bay Area, graduating from Junipero Serra High School. He joined the Marines at 17, but contracted rheumatic fever and dropped out. After a series of jobs he went to college, where he met his wife of 50 years, Margot. He graduated from SF State and went to Hastings Law School. He has been a practicing attorney for more than 35 years. He and Margot have three children, four grandchildren and also 3 "step grandchildren." He enjoys golf, which he says is what attracted him to SIRs, and sailing. He and a partner have a boat in Santa Cruz.



## **BIG SIR SEZ (cont)**

staff ventured to each table during and after the meal to make sure all was in order. She was easy to talk with and desires to please. Mickey was formerly a Le Cordon Bleu Chef and was associated with Crown Cafe Catering & Sand Dabs Restaurants. She currently owns and manages Mickey's Cafe and Catering in Capitola. Thanks Mickey, the food was great and your consideration was well received.

MEMBERSHIP- As of July, your Branch has reached 108 active members, that's up from 100 since the beginning of the year. Last month we actually added two members but one other became inactive. Thanks to our collective efforts, we remain on a course to exceed our annual goal of 101. Good Job Sirs! But we all need to continue bringing our friends and acquaintances to our luncheon meetings to keep our branch healthy, interesting, vibrant and growing!

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**FINANCIALS-** The financial health of the Branch is good. Our bank account as of the beginning of year was at \$1920.37. As of the end of July our balance is now a whopping \$2052.10. Not bad money management for a non-profit, small income operation.

Our \$2 Buck Bucket contribution and the 50/50 Lottery remain our primary sources of our income. Thanks go out to all our members for their continued participation and generosity.

**ATTENDANCE-** Gents, our Luncheon attendance was dismal for July with only 51% of us attending. It was slightly better than June where a lowly 45% attended, but not by much. We need to do much better to even come close to our year-end goal of 70%. Come On Guys, it's only once a month and just a few hours out of your Wednesday. The speakers have been excellent and the meals delicious. And, it's your chance to meet up with your old friends, make new friends and join the fun. When your invitation comes, just answer YES I'll be there!

See you at the next meeting, Joe

### **NEW LUNCHEON CHECK-IN PROCEDURE**

It's easier and smoother for all! At the entry desk, we will first check-off your name from the "Will Attend" list (generated from Pingg RSVP and phone callers). You then proceed to lunch payment, 50/50 raffle and badge areas. After the meeting, don't forget to place your badge correctly back in the box.

### **ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

SmartPhones Group- Meets after our Wednesday meeting. Sir Bob Hogan ([hoganrp@earthlink.net](mailto:hoganrp@earthlink.net))

Tuesday Poker - Meets at 1pm, contact Sir John Justice.

Thursday Poker- Meets at 10am, contact Sir Ken Maus.

Budding Activities-

- Walking/Biking- Our Walking/Biking group. Contact Dr. Paul Berman ([drorthofixit@gmail.com](mailto:drorthofixit@gmail.com))
- Matinee Movie/Dinner- Enjoy a matinee/dinner then discuss it. Don Little ([slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net))
- Wine Tasting- Enjoy local wine tasting. Joe Mingione ([jamingione@yahoo.com](mailto:jamingione@yahoo.com)).
- Interested in volunteering or creating an activity, Contact Don Little ([slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net)).

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### **SEA STAR SPONSOR CONTEST**

And, don't forget our Ace Sponsor Contest. Another Sea Star will be awarded at our December meeting to the Sir who sponsors the most members from January 2018 to our meeting in December 2018. Sir Jerry Clarke has graciously donated one of his famous Sea Stars as a prize for lucky winner.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

State SIR Happenings-

Visit the State SIR website [SIRINC.ORG](http://SIRINC.ORG) then click on "HAPPENINGS"

This is a link to the State SIR Bulletin for the latest State information.

State SIR Video

Visit the State SIR website [SIRINC.ORG](http://SIRINC.ORG) then click on "Watch Our Video"



## SIR BRANCH 20 Membership Report - July 2018

*Don Hershberger, Chair*

### Activity

### Summary

New Members:	Erich Horn, Leonard Bernstein, both sponsored by Don Little	Active	108
Applications:	None	Applications on File	0
To Inactive:	Lloyd Robinson	Inactive	18
Resigned:	None		

### \*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*TO ALL MEMBERS\*\*\*

*If your address, or phone # changed, notify SIR Ken Jenkins, 622 Miramar Drive , Santa Cruz, Ca. 95060, 458-0478*

### Finance Report - July

### Sunshine Report

Beginning Balance	\$2071.10
Income (Receipts)	247.00
Disbursements	<u>266.00</u>
Ending Balance	2052.10
July Bucket	\$1.93 pp
July Meeting: 54 Members, 2 Guests	
50% Attendance	

Nothing to report.

Jim Baker 423-7429

*Les Yeffa, Treasurer*

### BOCCE

Our Bocce league consists of two teams from our branch, 20A and 20B. We play SIR teams from Scotts Valley and Aptos. For more information, contact Joe Mingione (jamingione@yahoo.com or 650-279-2830).

Wed Aug 1     104 vs 20A  
 Wed Aug 29    20B vs 36G  
 Thur Sept 13   20A vs 20B

Thur Aug 9    20A vs 20B  
 Wed Sept 5    104 vs 20A  
 Wed Sept 26   20B vs 36R

- 71    **Mike Almgren**
- 28    **Jim Chrislock**
- 168   **Gordon Cumming**
- 44    **Thomas Diamond**
- 49    **Howard Furer**
- 83    **Bob Kemp**

### BIRTHDAYS



- 116   **Everett Mudgett Jr**
- 55    **Mike Ottinger**
- 15    **Kenneth Reaves**
- 144   **James Riss**
- 75    **Tom Roberts**
- 76    **James Sadler**

### GOLF

Aug 06	MO	Monterey Pines	8:00	10-2E
Aug 13	MO	Crazy Horse	8:00	Sweeps
Aug 20	MO	Laguna Seca	8:00	2-BB-4
Aug 27	MO	Eagle Ridge	<b>8:30</b>	345Prog
Sept 4	TU	Spring Hills	8:00	543-Prog
Sept 10	MO	Salinas Fairways	8:00	2-BB-4

**FOR TEE TIMES: Mike Banks 419-0573**

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