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 A non-profit Organization of Retired Men

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 Independence and Dignity of Retirement

ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20
Meetings at Noon – Elks Club
 Jewell Street-Santa Cruz
September 12, 2018

SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC.

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Director	Steve Tedesco	408-353-2829
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HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Vern Lillehaugen

PAST BIG SIRS - LIVING

Dick Doubrava	2017
Bruce Bentley	2016
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



Chicken & Beef Fajitas

Spanish Rice
 Southwestern Salad
 Assorted Deserts

Refried Beans & Black Beans
 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

Our speaker for this month is Russ Aubry, a member of the Moraga SIR branch. He will relate his in-depth experience in Cuba from a few years ago, trade embargos and how the black market works there. His presentation will include a 14-minute movie about their cultural way of life and keeping old American cars alive and well



OUR BIG SIR JOE MINGIONE SEZ:



Tom Duncanson and myself recently attended the State SIR meeting in Lincoln CA. Besides the election of new officers, many interested tidbits of information came out that I'd like to relay to you. Did you know that SIR started out 60 years ago when 4-5 men met together in a restaurant in San Mateo. And now there are 116 branches across the state, of those, 96 branches were represented at the State meeting. Further updating our rules... Now being retired is no longer a requirement for being a member. We've come a long way!

Also of interest were anecdotes of how SIRs has affected the lives of many men. One member told us of how joining SIR changed his life. Another stated how joining SIR even saved his life when he lost his wife. He shared his observation that, at times, men pass away not long

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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
Bulletin Editor	Ken Jenkins	458-0478
Assistant	Don Hershberger	227-4326
Chaplain	Jim Baker	423-7429
Golf	Mel Bowen	462-1885
Bocce Ball	Dick Doubrava	426-9701
	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
Historian	Hank Pierce	429-5441
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:

The Nominating Committee has proposed the following members of Branch 20 to serve as Officers and Directors for the upcoming calendar year:

BIG SIR: Tom Duncanson

LITTLE SIR: Les Yeffa

SECRETARY: Tom Fahrenholz

TREASURER: Dave Herrington

ASST SECRETARY: Ron Graves

ASST TREASURER: Tom Hansen

DIRECTORS:

James Baker

Don Hershberger

Ken Jenkins

Don Little

Hank Pearce

Joe Mingione

Bob Shepherd

Steve Tedesco

Harry Vaughn

Alternative nominations may be made from the floor at the September meeting, after which Election of the Branch Officers will take place.

TRAVEL-Tom Duncanson

Like to travel or to think about travelling? How about becoming our Travel Chair? The travel role, at least as I have played it, takes a minimal amount of time. If you'd like to learn a little more about the job, please contact me at 662-8605 or tom.duncanson@yahoo.com

IT IS 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 sirinc2.org/branch20/travel

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 Ping 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.

GOLF

Tom Hansen and Jerry Zanzinger were winners in Division 3 of the Qualifying Tournament recently held at Crazy Horse and are eligible to play in the State SIR Tournament. Congratulations Tom & Jerry!

EARN A FREE LUNCH—BRING IN A NEW MEMBER

Next luncheon on Wednesday, September 12, 2018

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



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BUCKET**



BIG SIR SEZ continued

after retiring. Being active and involved, with a purpose, makes a considerable difference in longevity for a senior. Another member brought up statistical facts relating to loneliness of individuals in our society of all age groups. A study conducted from 1980 through 2015 showed a continued increase of loneliness in all age groups. It was pointed out that older retired men are particularly susceptible after a life time of working in social settings. All of this information points out that our SIR organization certainly plays a role and an opportunity to meet a critical need. And, I'm sure many of us can relate to this.

More tidbits... Did you know that about 50% of our State SIR budget goes towards insurance coverage. Also a large portion of the state expenses goes towards legal matters including IRS filings. Each branch picks up its share of the expenses based on each active member. The State organization receives \$1.50 from our branch per active member per quarter. At our 108 active members we end up paying about \$162 per quarter or \$648 a year.

Now you wonder just how our branch raises this kind of cash to pay for our share. We don't have dues or fund raisers, now what? Well it comes primarily from our 50/50 raffle and our \$2 bucket that's asked of each member during our meeting. We count on that to underwrite other branch expenses as well, like mail, paper, printing, guests, bank, etc. As you can see, there's not much wiggle room between our income and expenses. When we bring up the \$2 bucket at each meeting it is a sincere request for each of us to pay our share. And now you know the bottom line of money managing in our branch.

Our Treasurer, Les Yeffa, runs a tight ship and deserves a pat on the back. His latest financial report states that we are running a slight surplus since the first of year. Our year-to-date cash position of \$2211.10 is approximately 15% higher than that of the beginning of the year. As Les says, "I just report it" but kudos do go to him and to the generosity of each of our members... Thank You SIRs,

Membership- We should be inducting at least 1 new member this month to bring our total active member count to 109. We are going in the right direction. Again, thanks to our collective efforts, we remain on course to exceed our annual goal of 101. But we all need to continue spreading the advantages of being a SIR. So tell our friends and acquaintances about our luncheon meetings, our great speakers, delicious lunches and our many activities.

Attendance- SIRs, attendance at our monthly meeting is getting better but remains well below our goal of 70%. Last month we eked out a 54% membership attendance, up from 51% the previous month. It's such a great way to get out of the house and spend an entertaining couple hours each month. The speakers have been excellent and the meals delicious. When your invitation comes, just answer YES I'll be there and show up!

See you at the next meeting, Joe.

And Don't Forget... BRING A GUEST- SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER!

ACTIVITIES UPDATE

SmartPhones Group- Meets after our Wednesday meeting. Sir Bob Hogan (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)
- Matinee Movie/Dinner- Enjoy a matinee/dinner then discuss it. Don Little (slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net)
- Wine Tasting- Enjoy local wine tasting. Joe Mingione (jamingione@yahoo.com).
- Interested in volunteering or creating an activity, Contact Don Little (slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net).

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.

STATE SIR HAPPENINGS

Visit the State SIR website SIRINC.ORG then click on "**HAPPENINGS**" This is a link to the State SIR Bulletin for the latest State information. You can also see a video about SIRs by clicking on "**Watch Our Video**"

SIR BRANCH 20 Membership Report - August 2018

Don Hershberger, Chair

	<u>Activity</u>		<u>Summary</u>
New Members:	None		
Applications:	Steve Baker, Ken Orthner, Sponsor Bob Montonye	Active	107
To Inactive:	Howard Furer	Applications on File	2
Resigned:	None	Inactive	19

*****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 - August

Beginning Balance	\$2052.10
Income (Receipts)	278.50
Disbursements	<u>119.50</u>
Ending Balance	2211.10
August Bucket	\$1.93 pp
August Meeting: 59 Members, 5 Guests	
55% Attendance	

Les Yeffa, Treasurer

Sunshine Report

Nothing to report.

Jim Baker 423-7429

BOCCE

Our Bocce league consists of two teams from our branch, 20A and 20B. We play SIR teams from Scotts Valley and Aptos. We welcome new members and new blood so, join us, it's a great game and lots of fun. For those who are interested in this game of strategy, accuracy and luck, just a quick email to Joe Mingione (jamingione@yahoo.com) will do. Or better yet, just show up at Bocce Cellars on Encinal Street at 11:15am. No experience necessary, come ready to have some fun.

Wed Sept 5 104 vs 20A
 Wed Sept 26 20B vs 36R
 Thur Oct 11 20A vs 20B

Thur Sept 13 20A vs 20B
 Wed Oct 3 104 vs 20A
 Wed Oct 17 20B vs 36R

99 Scott Cunningham
185 John Eaton
67 Larry Edler
146 Chuck Ernest
89 John Fairweather
34 George Jones

BIRTHDAYS



126 Don Little
46 John Maloney
145 Royce Manchester
100 Joe Mingione
42 Bill Neary
101 Ken Parker
165 Paul Ward

GOLF

Sept 4	TU	Spring Hills	8:00	543-Prog
Sept 10	MO	Salinas Fairways	8:00	2-BB-4
Sept 17	MO	Laguna Seca	8:00	Sweeps*
Sept 24	MO	Monterey Pines	8:00	Sweeps*
Oct 1	MO	Spring Hills	8:00	543Prog

* Club Championship

FOR TEE TIMES: Mike Banks 419-0573

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