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ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20
 Meetings at Noon – Elks Club
 Jewell Street-Santa Cruz
November 14, 2018

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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



Turkey with Gravy

Mashed Potatoes
 Cranberry Sauce
 Pumpkin Pie

Green Beans
 Stuffing
 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:

First of all, for those who may not be aware, it is with great sadness that I must report that Sir Bob Mazurek has passed. Sir Bob's smiling face, happy disposition, reliable attendance as a bocce team member and a regular Luncheon attendee will be missed. True to his love of the game, Bob was on his way to another bocce game in Scotts Valley when he passed. Rest In Peace Sir Bob, our prayers are with you, your wife Julie and all your family.



Membership- A big welcome to our new members. Sirs Jim (Michael) Kopp, Ray Blute and Mike Fuson. Please be sure to welcome and introduce yourselves to our new members. Let's make sure they are familiar with all the activities and help them with any questions they might have. And, thanks Sponsors. for being GOOD ones.

With three new members inducted last month our net active membership total has increased to 111. Good job Sirs for increasing our membership by 11% for the year. Keep up the good work! Many retired guys still don't know about us or what we do. Let them know about our

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COMMITTEES FOR 2018

Activities	Don Little	479-7096
Audio	Dick Bemis	408-353-2829
Arrangements	Bob Hogan	334-6707
Attendance	Ken Maus	854-2303
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Assistant	Don Hershberger	227-4326
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	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
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	Bill Neary	438-3237
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Publicity & Recruitment	Steve Tedesco	408-810-0578
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Travel	Tom Duncanson	662-8605
Assistant	Mel Bowen	462-1885
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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:

As our Big SIR mentioned in his article, our speaker this month is Jonathan Cox. Until a very recent promotion he had been the information officer for the northern half of CAL FIRE. So I have heard his name and voice on news programming fairly often during the past six months or so. We originally had him scheduled as our June speaker but had to postpone him several times, due to fire conditions. We are delighted he is able to join us in November.



Fun: I plan to participate in the final 20A v. 20B bocce match, on Thursday, Nov 15th. I hope to see you there.

Humor: Overheard at a recent SIR luncheon in the central valley... Retirement is the best thing that has happened to me. I never know what day of the week it is. All I know is, the day the big paper comes, I have to dress up and go to church.

TRAVEL-Tom Duncanson

Don't forget our 2019 New Year's travel opportunity or our 2020 Oberammergau Passion Play trip... September 26 to October 5, 2020... it's coming right up. A fantastic day-long play plus a 10-day trip through Germany, including the areas the of Munich, Regensburg, Nuremberg, the Black Forest, and Bavarian Alps.

Other, near-in, possibilities include...

April 6-21- Roundtrip Princess Cruises San Francisco to/from Hawaii

April 26-30 - San Antonio Spring Fiesta

May 8-12 - Golden Spike 150th Anniversary

For details and pricing, please pick up brochures on the travel table, on the left as you exit the luncheon, or look online at sirinc2.org/branch20/travel

ACTIVITIES UPDATE

- SmartPhones Group- Meets after our Wednesday meeting. Sir Bob Hogan (hoganrp@earthlink.net)
- Tuesday Poker - Meets at 1pm, contact Sir John JJ 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) An email was sent out to all SIRs asking for interest in joining. Several have replied, more are needed. Sign up with Paul and receive further information.
- Matinee Movie/Dinner- Enjoy a matinee/dinner then discuss it. Don Little (slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net)

Interested in volunteering or creating an activity, Contact Don Little (slvrxfan@sbcglobal.net).

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EARN A FREE LUNCH—BRING IN A NEW MEMBER

Next luncheon on Wednesday, November 14, 2018

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

BIG SIR SEZ continued

luncheon meetings, our great speakers, delicious lunches and our many activities.

Last month we had another very enlightening and informative speaker, Rebecca Dmytryk. She spoke about wild life in our local area including the "Urban Coyote." Rebecca gave us tips and tricks for protecting home and property from wild intruders, from mice to mountain lions.

This month's "Don't Miss" speaker will be Jonathan Cox, Division Chief, San Mateo-Santa Cruz Unit of the CAL FIRE Northern California Region. Jonathan will relate the changing fire conditions across California and talk about the "New Normal" for the control of future fires.

Another reason to attend SIR luncheons is the delicious meals provided by our new caterer, Mickey (of Mickey's Cafe). She has taken a personal interest in improving our eating experience and it shows. Check it out for yourselves.

Don Little has agreed to become our Volunteer Sponsor Coordinator. He'll be in charge of appointing sponsors for those new applicants who have heard about us but have no sponsor. Most of these applicants result from our Sentinel Coast Lines inserts, poster hang-ups and our Website (sirinc2.org/branch20/). We ask that all SIR members accept the responsibility of becoming a GOOD volunteer sponsors when called upon, then share the fun of being a SIR.

Wine Tasting Outing- You raised your hand at the last meeting and here it is! Mark your calendar for attending our Sir Wine Tasting Outing at 2PM on Tuesday, November 6th at the Bargetto Winery in Soquel. John Bargetto has agreed to host our Sir group with a personal tour of the winery and give us a talk on the history of Bargetto and wineries in the local area. Bargetto charges \$15 per person for tasting. Finger food will be available as well. Just notify Big Sir Joe Mingione with a short email (jamingione@yahoo.com) or a quick call (650-279-2830) to let him know how many will attend. Wives and friends are welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Wine Tasting Outing on Tuesday November 6th AND our next Luncheon meeting on Wednesday November 14th.

A big Rooster crow to all.

The Tale of Being A GOOD Sponsor-

- A GOOD Sponsor will sit with the applicant at the luncheon, make introductions, and answer questions.
- A GOOD Sponsor will make sure an application form is available, completed and returned to Don Hershberger or any officer before they leave. (Applications are available at the luncheon entrance table as you enter the Elks or just print one out from our website (sir2inc.org/branch20/)).
- A GOOD Sponsor will confirm applicant attendance at the next meeting or the induction meeting.
- A GOOD Sponsor does not end the relationship after the induction but maintains a close relationship with a member even after induction.
- A GOOD Sponsor continues sitting with your member at luncheons, introducing them to other members and to all the activities.
- A GOOD Sponsor promotes participation in many of our support groups like being a greeter, help with the audio setup, organizing book trading table, collecting the \$2 buck buckets and song cards, lottery ticket sales, attendance table helpers and more.
- A GOOD Sponsor helps the member sponsor a new member and he will then become... Another GOOD Sponsor!

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

MEET THE NEW MEMBER



Mike Fuson was born in Los Angeles and grew up in Boulder Creek. He studied International Business at USC and is a retired Marine. After graduation and service he went into the lawn and garden supply business. He is now retired and busy trying to establish a vineyard where he lives in Watsonville. He also likes to fish and do some travelling.

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Ray Blute's father was in the military, so after moving to various locations Ray wound up attending San Jose State and getting his teacher's credential. To say education has been his life is an understatement. He taught for seven years before becoming a school administrator. After getting a Masters in Education from Cal Poly he became a Principal. In 1996 he and his wife Carol moved back to Santa Cruz, where Carol grew up, and Ray went to work for Pajaro Valley as Curriculum Director and then Principal at Aptos Junior High. He retired in 2008 from the public school system, but went to work as principal at Monte Vista Christian. He has 2 children, 3 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. He enjoys reading, day trips and activities with family and church.



Mike Kopp sent the following biographical sketch: "Grew up in Palo Alto, CA. After High School, I attended Foothill Community College while working at Varian Associates. Spent the next 38 years working on microwave amplifier tubes for the Military. Lived in the San Jose and Milpitas area. Decided it was time for a major change in the 1990's- wife and I purchased our home in Santa Cruz, quit our jobs and severed all ties to the "other side of the hill". I found a satisfying position at a small company in Watsonville manufacturing and testing Microwave generator tubes used in cancer treatment. Retired soon after the millennium and dedicated myself full time to my two major hobbies- surfing and vintage motorcycle restoration and racing. At age 70, I realized it was time to rethink my priorities and I now spend my days in community volunteerism , the company of the gentlemen of SIRs, reading and generally being a dilettante and lay about".

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.

State SIR Video

Visit the State SIR website SIRINC.ORG then click on "Watch Our Video"

Give Sir Tony Gaidos credit for this one:

The wedding ceremony came to the point where the Minister asked if anyone had anything to say concerning the union of the bride and groom.

It was their time to stand up and talk, or forever hold their peace.

The moment of utter silence was broken by a young beautiful woman carrying a child.

She stood up and started walking slowly towards the pastor. The congregation was aghast as the penny dropped.

The Groom's jaw dropped as he stared disbelievingly at the approaching young woman and child. Chaos ensued.

The bride threw the bouquet in the air and burst out crying. Then the groom's mother fainted.

The Best men started giving each other looks and wondering how best to help save the situation.

The Minister asked the woman, "Can you tell us, why you came forward ? What do you have to say?"

There was absolute silence in the church. The woman replied, "We can't hear in the back."

SIR BRANCH 20 Membership Report - October 2018

Don Hershberger, Chair

	<u>Activity</u>		<u>Summary</u>
New Members:	Mike Fuson, Arthur Blute (both via SC Sentinel); Michael Kopp, Sponsor Ron Graves	Active	111
Applications:	None	Applications on File	0
Deceased:	Bob Mazurek	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 - October

Beginning Balance	\$2394.60
Income (Receipts)	252.50
Disbursements	<u>286.00</u>
Ending Balance	2361.10
October Bucket	\$1.93 pp
October Meeting: 59 Members, 1 Guest	
51% Attendance	

Les Yeffa, Treasurer

Sunshine Report

Bob Mazurek passed away.

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. 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, just come ready to have some fun.

As you all may be aware, our 2017 Big Sir Dick Doubrava has not been feeling that well of late but has the desire and energy to help with the 2019 Bocce schedule. A new schedule will be available in the near future. Thanks for your help Dick, our Bocce guys very much appreciate it.

Schedule for remaining games:

Wed Nov 7 104 vs 20A

Thur Nov 15 20A vs 20B

END OF 2018 SIRS BOCCE SEASON

161 James Duty
64 Mike Fuson
150 James Healey

BIRTHDAYS



155 Ken Jenkins
141 Hilding Ronning

GOLF

Nov 5	MO	Delaveaga	7:30	543Prog
Nov 12	MO	Salinas Fairways	8:00	2-BB-4
Nov 19	MO	Crazy Horse	8:00	1O-2E
Nov 26	MO	Spring Hills	8:00	2-BB4
Dec 3	MO	Del Mone	<u>8:30</u>	Sweeps

FOR TEE TIMES: Mike Banks 419-0573
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