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ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20

Meetings at Noon – Elks Club

Jewell Street-Santa Cruz

Sept. 8, 2021– LADIES DAY!

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HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Vern Lillehaugen

PAST BIG SIRs

Les Yeffa	2020
Tom Duncanson	2019
Joe Mingione	2018
Dick Doubrava	2017
Norm Gruczelak	2016
Bruce Bentley	2016
Greg Horne	2015
Don Little	2014
Jim Bunker	2013
Sterling Frost	2012
Bill Neary	2011
Rich Dean	2010
Hank Pearce	2009
John Ashworth	2008

For complete listing of Past Big SIRs
Please refer to your SIRs Roster



SEPTEMBER LUNCH MENU

Chicken Enchiladas	Rice
Beans	Salad
Dessert	

Note: If you can’t make lunch after stating that you would attend, please notify Jesse De Gennaro (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 your club will be obligated to pay for the meal.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

In order to attend the Sept. SIRs meeting at the Elks Lodge YOU **MUST: Reserve your seat and lunch by responding to the Punch-bowl message or phone call before Monday Sept 6– and don’t forget to include any guest who will accompany you!** Attendees without a reservation will not be able to purchase lunch! Bring your vaccination card, or copy thereof (phone capture is OK), it will be verified at the door. Sign a Waver (State SIRs requirement) **Wear a mask at all times, except when eating or drinking.**

PROGRAM

Special Ladies Day entertainment
THE STAR GEEZERS

These four octogenarians have a combined musical background of more than 240 years! Their repertoire includes 50’s, 60’s, bluegrass, jazz and sacred songs. They also perform some novelty songs that are as funny as they are melodious. Your feet will be tapping and you’ll have a smile on your face. Don’t miss THE STAR GEEZERS in their only Branch 20 performance this (or any) year!!

Points to Ponder

I looked up Opaque– the definition wasn’t very clear.

Butterflies are not what they used to be.

COMMITTEES FOR 2021

Audio	Dick Bemis	408-353-2829
Arrangements	Ray Blute	464-7901
Attendance	Ken Maus	854-2303
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Bocce	Ray Blute	464-7901
	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
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Program	Jim Healey	685-3829
Poker	JJ Justice	464-2387
	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
Recruitment	Steve Tedesco	408-810-0578
Roster	Ken Jenkins	458-0478
Song Leader	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
Sunshine	Open	
Travel	Open	

TELEPHONE CALLERS

Non-email	
Jesse De Gennaro	426-0149
Mel Ferreira	408-353-2107
Punchbowl email	
Ray Blute	464-7901
Greeters	
Chair: Mike Almgren & Jim Riss	
John Maloney	Roger Kissinger
Tom Farenholz	Dave Herrington
Jeff Ustick	



HELP YOUR CLUB

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BIG SIR LES YEFFA SEZ



Welcome to September SIRs! For those of you who attended our August meeting in person, thank you for being there. Slowly but surely our attendance is picking up. Yes, it is difficult to get back into the routine of lunch on the second Wednesday of the month but it is really easy to do. The comradery is great fun and the food is always excellent.

As we missed our Ladies Day in June, we will make up for it this month. A special musical program has been planned by our program chair SIR Jim Healey. YOU MUST have your vaccination to attend and a mask is required when you are not at a table eating or drinking. For those of you who have been to our meetings, you only have to sign the waiver once. It is required by our State Organization. Lastly I would like to congratulate our new corps of officers for 2022. They are listed in this newsletter. I know they will make our Branch stronger

And PLEASE, make your reservations for lunch. If you don't make a reservation and show up, you may not get any food.

2022 BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Big Sir– Steve Tedesco
 Little Sir– Ray Blute
 Secretary– Jeff Boisen
 Asst. Secretary– Mike Wallace
 Treasurer– Mike Fuson
 Asst. Treasurer– Jesse De Gennaro
 Directors: James Baker, Ed Bush,
 Dave Hodgkin, Bob Hogan, Jim Healey,
 Don Hershberger, Mike Kopp,
 Ken Maus, Joe Mingione, Hank Pearce,
 Les Yeffa

2022 COMMITTEES

Audio– Dick Bemis
 Arrangements– Ray Blute,
 Jesse De Gennaro, Mel Ferreira
 Badges– Ken Maus
 Bocce– Joe Mingione, Ray Blute
 Chaplin– Jim Baker
 Fishing– Ed Bush
 Golf– Jerry Zanzinger, Tom Hanson
 Historian– Hank Pearce
 Membership/Roster– Don Hershberger
 Newsletter– Mike Kopp
 Poker– JJ Justice, Ken Maus
 Program– Jim Healey
 Recruitment– Steve Tedesco
 Songleader– Richard Stauff
 Sunshine– Ken Maus
 Travel– Ed Bush
 Webmaster– Bob Hogan
 Greeters– Jim Riss, Mike Almgren,
 James Sadler, Roger Kissinger,

****NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS****

If you address or phone number has changed, notify SIR Don Hershberger, 118 Fife Lane, Aptos 95003, 831-2274326 or email donhershberger@gmail.com

EARN A FREE LUNCH– BRING IN A NEW MEMBER!

Points to ponder:

How come abbreviated is such a long word?

What happened to the first 6 “UPS”?

Non–responsibility 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 manners pertaining to tours, trips or other activities.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

POKER— Card Sharks, you now have 2 choices for Poker games! Every Tuesday at 1pm is a game for experienced players. For more info. contact JJ Justice at 464-2387, jjsurfman@aol.com Also the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 1pm is a low stakes beginners game. For more info. contact Ken Maus, 854-2303, kenrrjo@gmail.com.

Both games are played at the Tradewinds Mobile Home Park, 4160 Jade Street, Capitola.



BOCCE— Joe Mingione reporting

IT'S BOCCE TIME-

All SIR members have a standing invitation to play Bocce at 11am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. We meet at Felt St. Park* (close to Simpkins Swim Center on 17th).

Glad to see interest picking up for our Bocce games, we had enough players at our last meeting for an actual Team A vs Team B match up! There is plenty of space to spread out, open air and 2 courts are available for us (you must be fully vaccinated to play). Warm up is around 10:30, we play 2 games then many of us meet for lunch at Jefferys Restaurant.

Rules are pretty simple— the ball(s) closest to the small ball (Pallino) wins the point. Team that get to 13 first wins the game. It's a strategic and thought provoking game the is certain to capture your interest.

It's time to keep fit and have some healthy fun. Join your fellow SIRs for some good laughs, socializing and friendly ball pitching. It doesn't matter if you know the game or not, just come by, you're sure to play and have a good time! What do you say boys?... Are we read to play some BOCCE?!

Hope to see you at our September outings on the 1st and 15th. Salute!

For more information contact: Ray Blute— Team A Captain (831) 566-0029 or Joe Mingione— Team B Captain (650)279-2830

*Felt Street Park is near Simpkins Swim Center, turn at the 17th and Felt St. traffic light, the park is on the right hand side.



GOLF NEWS— Jerry Zanzinger reporting

Richard Dames and Jerry Zanzinger from Branch 20 are golf partners that usually ride together in the same cart when playing SIRs golf. Recently, while playing at Monterey Pines, they both shot their age. Richard is 88 and Jerry is 80. Richard, with his phenomenal short game, shot a 40 on the back nine! Richard also won \$20 for closest to the pin— 4 feet 5 inches.

SIRs give cash prizes to the top 9 foursomes, with the largest prize being \$10 to each player in first place. At Monterey Pines, Branch 20's Jeff Boisen and David Hodgins were in the 1st place foursome. Congrats to all!

The 2021 Golf schedule is available at: <https://sirinc2.org/branch20>



AUGUST 2021 TREASURERS REPORT

Dave Hodgkin Reporting

Beginning Balance as of August 1: \$2467.71

(note: final balance for August is not recorded until after the newsletter is published.)

SIR BRANCH 20 MEMBERSHIP REPORT– AUGUST 2021

Don Hershberger, Chair

New members: None

Active Applications: Steve Cohen, sponsor Les Yeffa
Joseph Duarte, sponsor SC Sentinel
Richard Stauff, sponsor Dave Hodgkin

Members out: None

Summary: Active members 97

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

George Jones 9/23

Don Little 9/27

Royce Manchester 9/2

Joe Mingione 9/14

Bill Neary 9/24



Ken Parker 9/11

Jeffrey Sanders 9/12

Robert Sciolto 9/22

Paul Ward 9/14

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

**Our September meeting (and all in-person meetings) are by Reservation only!
You MUST RSVP to the email or phone you will receive approximately 1 week before the meeting date.
You must also abide by the requirements listed on page 1 of this newsletter.
Hope to see you all on September 8.**

Covid immunization update!

For all interested SIRs, local CVS pharmacies are now offering free booster (3rd injection) of Moderna and Pfizer vaccines. The vaccines are offered to anyone with a compromised immune system (which is most senior citizens). You must make an appointment in advance. For more information google search your closest CVS. They are also offering the annual Flu shot on a walk in basis.

FUN FACTS:

The moon is approximately 14 CVS receipts from the earth.

The older you get the more important it is not to act your age.