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ROOSTER ROUNDUP

Santa Cruz Branch No. 20

Meetings at Noon – Elks Club

Jewell Street-Santa Cruz

June 8, 2022

LADIES DAY

SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC.

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Director	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
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HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Vern Lillehaugen

PAST BIG SIRs

Les Yeffa	2020-21
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 Pierce	2009

For a complete listing of Past Big Sirs, please refer to your SIRS Roster Booklet



JUNE LUNCH MENU

- Chopped Caesar Salad
- Herb rubbed pork loin with rosemary demi glaze
- Roasted garlic whipped potatoes
- Asparagus spears with balsamic reduction
- Dinner rolls
- Lemonade in sweet tea, coffee
- Chefs choice dessert

PROGRAM

For Ladies Day we are excited to announce that Santa Cruz's own **Joe Ferrera** will be here to serenade them with romantic ballads that include some songs that Joe has written and recorded in his album "Colors of the Wind". You may have heard Joe perform at The Cats restaurant in Los Gatos, Shadowbrook, or at the Giants Stadium where he holds the record for the most times anyone has sung the National Anthem there. **DON'T MISS IT!**



BIG SIR STEVE TEDESCO SEZ

I am happy to be back from vacation and return to the Bocce court. Again we had a lovely day at the Felt St. courts with 10 SIRs in attendance, followed by a good time at lunch...Feel free to join us!

Our June luncheon meeting will be Ladies Day, we have a great program planned for your enjoyment. Please, Please, Please RSVP to our Punchbowl Evite. If you are bringing a guest please include that info. in your RSVP.

Also, come participate in our **NEW** and **IMPROVED** raffle event! Thanks to Ed Bush we have more Custom made fishing poles to raffle off over the next few months.

As we keep pointing out, this is the year of the member. The BEC (Branch Executive Committee) continues to explore ways to get more members involved. We recently had a fun new Wine Tasting event at Soquel Vineyards and from this good time, Joe Mingione, Dave Hodgins and Jeff Ustick are working on more Wine activities.

Membership is a gift you can give to a friend. Invite your friends to join our organization and get involved in our many monthly activities. The more the merrier! We need your help and support to keep growing our Branch.

I end my message with a BIG Thank you to Little SIR Ray Blute for taking over in my absence.

A new study recently found that humans eat more bananas than monkeys.

I can't remember the last time I ate a monkey.

COMMITTEES for 2022

Audio	Dick Bemis	408-353-2829
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	Jesse DeGennaro	426-0149
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Golf	Jerry Zanzinger	423-1936
Bocce	Ray Blute	464-7901
	Joe Mingione	650-279-2830
Fishing	Ed Bush	408-997-1836
Poker	JJ Justice	464-2387
	Ken Maus	854-2303
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Recruitment	Steve Tedesco	408-810-0578
Roster	Ken Jenkins	458-0478
Song Leader	Richard Stauff	
Sunshine	OPEN	
Travel	Ed Bush	408-997-1836
Webmaster	Bob Hogan	334-6707

TELEPHONE CALLERS

Non-email

Jesse DeGennaro	426-0149
Mel Ferreira	408-353-2107

Punchbowl email

Ray Blute	464-7901
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Greeters

Chair: Jim Riss & Mike Almgren

James Sadler	Roger Kissinger
Ed Bush	Jeff Ustick



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TREASURERS REPORT

Mike Fuson reporting

Beginning balance as of May 1, 2022 \$2977.14

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

JUNE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Don Hershberger Chair

New Members none

Active Members 90

Active Applications

Steven Cohan, sponsor Les Yeffa

Earl Cowell, sponsor SC Sentinel

Warren (Aldo) Penniman, sponsor SC Sentinel

Richard Stauff, sponsor Dave Hodgins

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

If your address, phone number, or email has changed, notify SIR Don Hershberger, 118 Fife Lane, Aptos 95003, 831-227-4326 or email

donhershberger@gmail.com

EARN A FREE LUNCH- BRING IN A NEW MEMBER!

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

In order to attend the June SIRs meeting at the Elks Lodge, YOU MUST: Reserve your seat and lunch by responding to the Punchbowl email message or phone call **before Monday, June 6**. If you are bringing a guest, please include that information in your response.

Bring your vaccination card, or copy thereof (phone capture is OK), it will be verified at the door.

Sign a waver (State SIRs requirement). If you have previously signed you need not sign again.

Masks are no longer required by State or County, but are recommended.

Don't forget to peruse the Book Exchange at our monthly meeting. Take a book or bring a book (or more). The exchange has been updated with new titles, and now includes a few DVDs and jigsaw puzzles.



NEW SEATING CARDS

New seating reservation cards will be available for all members at the next SIRs meeting. Your badge # will be on the new card. Keep the old card for backup. If you lose, damage or want a name change, you can send an email to 4dick@comcast.net or phone msg 408/353-2829. Put "seat reservation card" in subject, put name you want in the message/text area.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS

POKER- Poker continues to be very popular in Branch 20 SIRs. Players have 2 choices for games! Every Tuesday at 1pm is a game for experienced players. There may be a few seats available. For more information, contact JJ Justice at 464-2387, jjsurfman@aol.com.

On the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 1pm is a low stakes beginners game, "Poker Pals" For more information contact KenMaus at 854-2303, kenrjo@gmail.com.

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



BOCCE- With the warm days, Bocce is more popular than ever! As our former competitors from other local SIRs branches flee our Bocce prowess, we have sufficient Branch 20 players to organize pick-up games on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month. Games start at **11:30** (new time) at Felt Street Park. Many players opt to gather for lunch after the games. For more information contact Ray Blute 464-7901, r-cblute@att.net or Joe Mingione 650-279-2830, jamingione@yahoo.com



GOLF- This note is to inform you that our 2022 Reno Golf Event scheduled for the week of June 13th has been officially cancelled due to not enough of our members signing up for the event. Please advise your membership at your next luncheon or activities and also in your newsletter. Thank you for your cooperation and support. We hope to hold this event next year when more members may be interested in attending. For complete information go to <https://sirgolf.org>



On June 27, the area 11 Team Scramble Qualifier will be held at Seascap. Tee time 10:05 am, entry fee \$68. 4 Man, 2 best ball format. Teams to consist of 4 players: A with index 0-17.0, B with index 17.1-22.0 C with index 22.1-27.0, D with index 27.1 and above. If short players, adjustments can be made. For more Branch 20 golf information, contact Jerry Zanzinger at 831/423-1936

FISHING- Salmon season is in full swing, and fishing this year has been stellar—when the winds allow.

Captain Ed Bush on the Miss Molly reports that wind and large swells have kept him and many other boats tied up in the harbor most of the time. It's a good news/bad news situation, the wind helps produce the upwelling of the cooler deep water that is high in nutrients. The bait fish follow the food and the salmon follow the bait fish. For more information on fishing, contact Ed at our monthly meeting or call him at 408/997-1836



CRIBBAGE- Games are played before the monthly Luncheon meeting at the Elks Lodge, in the Bar area. Games begin at approximately 11 am. For more information, contact Mike Kopp at 831/535-6308.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Dick Bemis 6/15
Jerry Clarke 6/28
Douglas Davis 6/1
Tony DeLeonardo 6/22
Ken Files 6/8



Jay Freeman 6/20
David Hodgins 6/8
Michael Kopp 6/4
Jim Lane 6/1
Buzz Little 6-9
Dennis Maynez 6/2

Introducing the SIRS WINE GROUP

Many of us have suggested a wine tasting get-together to share many of our wine favorites, well it's time to share. We have formed a SIRS Wine Group to sample some wine, spend time with fellow SIRS, and share good times and stories. Join us for our KICKOFF tasting on **Thursday, June 16 at 2:00 pm** at the home of Jeff Ustick, (475 McHenry Rd, Felton).

Each month on the third Thursday, we propose doing a different type of tasting such as:

1. Tasting different wines of the same varietal, such as Zinfandel, Chardonnay, Pinot or...
2. Tasting different varietals, but from the same Region, State or Country.
3. "Blind tasting" to see if you can recognize different wine varietals.

We will welcome suggestions from the group for the next tasting theme.

Each participant will bring a wine of their choice to fit the "theme" of that month's tasting.

Snacks will be provided. Any leftover wine will go home with the person who brought it or it can be traded for wine leftovers you especially enjoyed.

For our first wine get-together we ask participants bring a bottle of their favorite varietal or from their favorite winery. Lets see what gentlemen SIRS prefer.

Let us know if you will attend and share the first SIRS Wine Group tasting!

Please RSVP if you plan on attending by our June 8 SIRS meeting, either by email or by sign-up at our meeting.

Cheers!

Contact: Jeff Ustick- jeffustick@gmail.com or Joe Mingione- jamingione@yahoo.com



Thoughts for the day:

Anything I say before coffee cannot be used against me.

Jellyfish have survived 650 million years, despite not having a brain. This gives so many people hope.

In China a person has to know over 2000 characters to read a newspaper.

Unfortunately, the only Chinese characters I know are Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan.

NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

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