

# Ignacio Pacheco Branch News

Social Activities for Men  
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**Lunch on January 6th, 2026**

### *Lunch Menu*

*Beef Stew with Red Potatoes and Split Pea  
Soup*

*Alternative: Chicken Caesar Salad*

**Lunch Price \$35.00 Per Person**

**RSVP for Lunch:** To *Wally Holmes* no later than Sunday, November 30 [WallyHolmes@comcast.net](mailto:WallyHolmes@comcast.net) or phone (415) 892-1260.

## Sunshine and Shadows

## Birthdays for January 2026

*Mike Dean*

## Anniversaries

*Ron and Margie Collings*

*Bill and Beverly Wilhelm*

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!



2026

## President's Report

I'll be back in the New Year. In the meantime,

**Goodnight Mrs. Calabash, wherever you are!**



**Jeff (Schnozzola) Rawles**



## Vice President's Report:

**Editors's Note:** Ted has lined up a husband-and-wife team to speak about their careers in television. Once again, Ted has come through.

**Ed Bogas & Désirée Goyette**

Join these two Grammy-nominated composers as they share their adventures in the world of writing music for film and television. From cabaret to Carnegie Hall, local radio, to television and feature films, they have dabbled in all of it and rubbed-elbows with some fascinating characters along the way.

### **Ed Bogas**

Ed Bogas is a Grammy nominated American composer/songwriter having written, recorded and arranged hundreds of songs and musical scores for film, radio, television, video games and stage. Although he is best known for his musical contributions to the Charlie Brown and Garfield the Cat series and specials, Ed is also a mathematician and has dedicated years to developing innovative ways to teach math through music and animation. Ed especially enjoys supporting his wife Désirée and their now collegiate twins, Benjamin and Lily in their various academic and musical endeavors.

### **Désirée Goyette**

Composer, arranger, vocalist, inspirational speaker, and voice-over actor, Désirée Goyette, is best known for her work on the **Garfield** and **Peanuts** animated television shows. She has been featured in numerous television specials including: **Movie Blockbusters**, **The Lou Rawls Parade of Stars**, **Evening Magazine**, **Entertainment Tonight**, **The Romance of Betty Boop** (as the voice of **Betty!**), and numerous talk-shows. Désirée also appeared for two years as co-host with **Rich Little** on the internationally syndicated **The New You Asked For It Show**. Performances on various recordings have afforded her two **Grammy** nominations and an appearance at **Carnegie Hall**.

Alongside sold-out appearances in the secular/cabaret arena, Desiree is deeply rooted in the writing and performing of inspirational songs and hymns, several of which are featured in internationally published hymnals.

Désirée's greatest joy is that of fostering and following the academic and musical endeavors of her twins - college students, Benjamin and Lily.

## BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

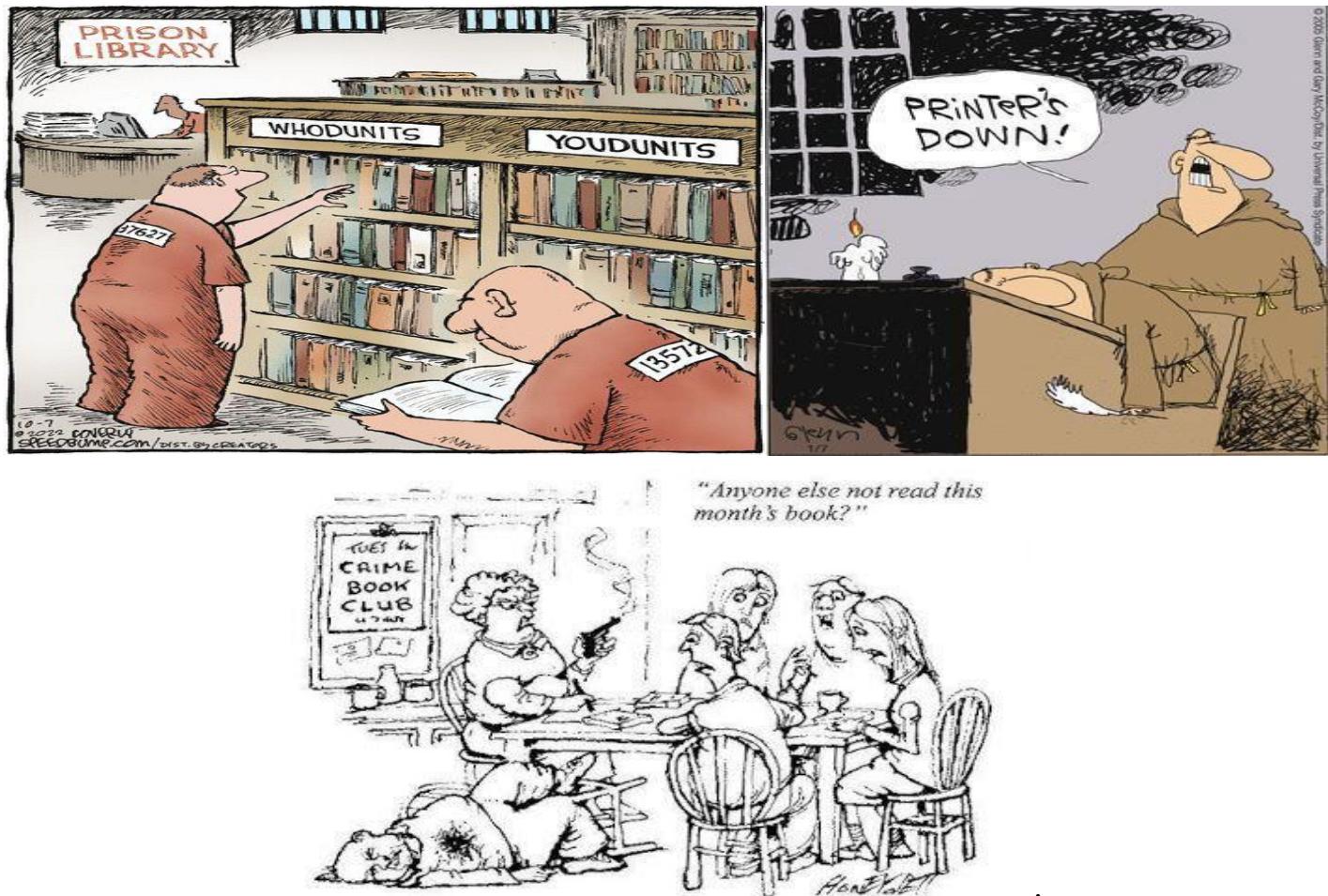


**The December Executive Committee Meeting was not held.**

## TURNING PAGES

By

Bud Pflueger



“Nightshade”, by Michael Connelly; 2025 Police/Crime Thriller genre

Michael Connelly, the master of the genre , just keeps getting better. Stilwell has been banished from the mainland homicide division to be head cop on Catalina Island because of a dispute with two incompetent homicide officers. A year now in Catalina, Stilwell loves his job, the island and his locally- raised girlfriend, Tash, who is employed as an harbormaster. It all starts with a mutilation of a protected buffalo, a felony. Then a woman's body is discovered on the harbor bottom, verified by diving Stilwell and friend. Murder is the business of the mainland homicide division and is supposed to be hands-off for Stilwell, but he cannot leave it alone.

Every time I read a Connelly novel I think that it is his best, but this one truly tops all previous. Abandoning his old protagonists, like Harry Bosch, this new hero is a less conflicted or emotionally impaired protagonist. If you enjoy this genre, you must read the author's newest novel.

“The Paris Express” by Emma Donoghue, 2015, Historical fiction genre

At half past eight in the morning of October twenty-second,1895, the Paris Express train departed Granville for a journey to Montparnasse, Paris. What follows is an introduction to all of the people in all three classes plus three in an extra special train carriage inserted at one of the stops. Most of these people are real, only a few are fictional. One passenger , who actually existed, is given a fictional “mission”. I loved this story for the intimate depiction of their personalities and the outstanding dialogue. I highly recommend this novel.

**Bud Pflueger**

## Marin Restaurant Advice And Review

**Mike Dean**

**Editor's Note:** Mike is incommunicado, so I'll thank him for his contributions to our Branch and wish him a Happy Holiday!

**SIRS POKER**  
**Submitted by Ted Harris**



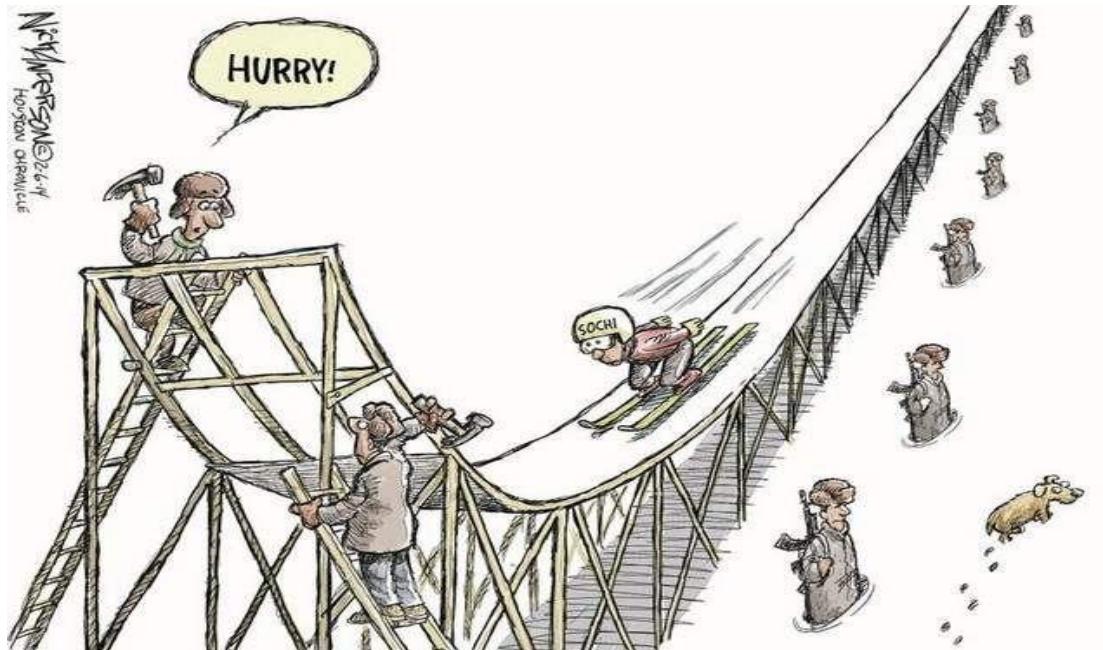
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**The next Sirs Poker Game is scheduled for  
Monday January 12, 2026**

**Editor's note:** Wally Holmes has stepped down from his poker duties and Ted Harris will take his place. In his new position, Ted has instituted a revised dress code, as displayed above.

## Branch 22 Golf

**Editor's note:** With the short hiatus in the Golf Season, I would be remiss not to mention the coming 2026 Winter Olympics. As you probably know, we are privileged to have former Olympic ski jumper Mat Petri as a Branch 22 member.



**Nice Form!**

## Editor's Notes



**Maybe they had it right in the '60s and '70s!  
Love, peace, music, no bras, and good vibes.  
Sounds way better than the mess we're living in  
now.**

