



**Thirty-Ninth Year** 

April 2014

# **NEXT MEETING at Newark Pavilion - Thursday, April, 17, 2014**

## WHAT'S HAPPENING? by Big Sir Rob Ingebretson



Here we are already in April and spring is upon us. It is also baseball season, the best time of the year. By the time you read this we will have a little idea in what direction our Giants and A's will be headed.

On a more serious note, John Cordeniz is at home recovering from the horrible accident that occurred in our parking lot at the Newark Pavilion last

month. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from his injuries. Don't forget Stan Lewis as he struggles to figure out what happened.

At our next BEC meeting (Branch Executive Committee) on Thursday, April 17 at 10:00 am we will be discussing the looming problem of filling open BEC positions for 2015. This is a serious problem and I implore each and every one of you to prayerfully consider attending this meeting. These positions are definitely going to be filled because we have many, many very capable people in Branch 59. We just need some of them to step forward. Don't wait for somebody else to do it. Remember, there have been many guys before you that have taken these jobs and everyone has survived because they have great guys helping them. You will not be alone!!!

Along these same lines I would like to see more participation by our members in some of our activities. Our committee leaders will do what they can to make our branch activities enjoyable and something to look forward to. If there is an activity we don't have and you would be interested in being a part of it let me know. I noticed one branch has an activity called STOCK MARKET STUDY GROUP that is heavily attended. Our own Don Henry was hoping to start a wood craving activity and will have some examples of his work at our next meeting. I would also like to see our branch start some co-ed activities like wine tasting and dining out. If there is something you feel we should do to improve our branch, don't hesitate to call me at (510) 657-7828 or email me at Robingy@comcast.net.

Don't forget to look for "ROLLIE."

## Speaker Sister Caritas Foster by Little Sir Larry Goodman

Sister Caritas Foster is a member of the Sisters of the Holy Family. Sister Caritas first became involved with the issue of human trafficking in 2006. At that time she was asked by her religious community to do an educational process with their sisters and associates. Following the educational process the Sisters of the Holy Family chose to focus on addressing human



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trafficking. Their focus is three-fold: raising awareness; supporting victims of human trafficking; and working toward legislative change. Sister Caritas coordinates her community's efforts to address human trafficking and represents the Sisters of the Holy Family as a partner in the Cross Bay Collaborative. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of MISSSEY (Motivating, Inspiriting, Supporting, and Serving Sexually Exploited Youth) in Oakland,

Human Trafficking, a modern-day form of slavery, is controlling a person through force, fraud or coercion to exploit the person for forced labor, sexual exploitation or both. It is estimated that 27 million women, children and men are trafficked globally. It is the fastest growing criminal activity in the world. We will look at some of the forms of Human Trafficking within our own country and around the globe.

# Win a Free Lunch

By finding Rollie you can win a free lunch if your name is selected. Let them know where he is located in the **Pathfinder** when you buy your luncheon ticket.

# MENU

Beef Stroganoff and Breaded Fish Au gratin Potatoes, Rice, Vegetable Medley



If you are <u>not</u> coming or if you are bringing a guest or visitor <u>Don't forget to Call</u> on the Monday before the meeting - or earlier Ed Guthrie (510) 659-0498 or email edguthrie@comcast.net



## Branch 59 Officers

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Asst. Treasurer Arnold George (510) 797-9524

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Nat Lord Skip Mugford George Perry Jerry Sabo Sheldon Schwartz Ed Thomas

### Branch 59

Meets at Newark Pavilion 6430 Thornton Avenue Newark on the 3rd Thursday of each month 10:00 AM Executive Board Meeting 11AM Social Hour 12 Noon Lunch



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# Sir Frank R. Thomas March Meeting Minutes

Big Sir Rob Ingebretson called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and led the assembled group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL BY SECRETARY

Officers present: Big Sir Rob Ingebretson, Little Sir Larry Goodman, Secretary Sir Frank R. Thomas, Treasurer Sir Hugh Twomey and Assistant Treasurer Arnold George.

Officers Absent: Assistant Secretary Sir Peter Angelides

Directors Present: Sir Skip Mugford, Sir George Perry, Sir Jerry Sabo, Sir Sheldon Schwartz, Sir Ed Thomas and Sir Nat Lord.

Directors Absent: None.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the FEBRUARY Minutes as published in the Pathfinder.

## OFFICERS REPORTS

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> State informed us that it is was no longer necessary to read the Insurance Liability information into the BEC minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Sir Hugh Twomey, presented the March 20, 2014 Treasurer's report and indicated a Check Book balance of \$4,602.45.

<u>Little Sir's Report:</u> Little Sir Larry Goodman reported that today's speaker would be Sir Tom Federico.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Attendance: Sir Ed Guthrie projects attendance at today's luncheon at 130.

**Birthdays:** Sir Art Winkley indicated we are celebrating 19 March Birthdays ranging 91 to 73 today. The Officers and Directors wished these men celebrating today a very Happy Birthday.

**Bowling:** Pertinent information is in the Pathfinder.

**<u>Golf</u>:** Sir Bill Leake indicated that the team tournament will be the 4th week of May. Golfers are still needed. Call Bill

at 793-6561. Spring Fling is in April - first tournament of the year. Ladies will play scramble and men will be playing 4 man team, 2 man best ball. The Golf Club plays on Mondays at 7:30 AM and will be working on 2 additional times later in the morning. Additional information can be found in the Pathfinder.

Membership: Sir Ron Brutvan reported that two new members and two guests were expected today. Sir Fred Stabell resigned.

**Social:** Sir Jim Ferenz, Social Chairman, indicated that plans for the May Social Event were still moving forward with more items locked in place and other items well on their way for the event.

**Sunshine:** It was announced that Sir Anthony Gross will not make this meeting; still having problems. Sir Lou Nausin is having a medical procedure and will miss next meeting. Sir Harold "Andy" Anderson had passed away February 23rd. Sir Fred Stabell is now residing Lincoln Villa on Lincoln Street in Irvington. He would welcome visitors. There is still no word concerning Sir Darrell Jewel.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion concerning A's and Giant's Baseball Tickets still being available.

### NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM. Submitted by Branch Secretary

Sír Frank R. Thomas



You can get this issue of the Pathfinder or earlier issues by going to the Branch Website:

http://branch59.sirinc2.org/

# **MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE and BIRTHDAY NEWS** by Sir Ron Brutvan, Sir Ed Guthrie, and Sir Art Winkley

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Sir Art Winkley Birthday Chairman

# **April Birthdays**

Dareld Youngker	04/27/1929	85
Jack Lindley	04/09/1932	82
Kenneth Peterson	04/02/1934	80
Tom Federico	04/09/1934	80
Miguel Ferras	04/08/1937	77
William Anderson	04/08/1940	74
Theodore Bresler	04/30/1942	72
Larry Roberts	04/09/1945	69
John Parent	04/14/1946	68
Robert McCauley	04/19/1946	68

# **New Members**

**Jacques P. Guertin** 35626 Lundy Drive Newark, CA 94560-2034 510-789-7558 Email: jacquesguertin@juno.com Birthday: 2/28/1939 Badge No. 12 Sponsor: Skip Mugford Call me: Jacques

### Michael S. Lopez

5193 Orkney Court Newark, CA 94560-2036 510-772-7112 Email: mslopez@yahoo.com Birthday: 6/5/1949 Spouse: Vangie Badge No. 27 Sponsor: Skip Mugford Call me: Mike

# **Membership Report**



Sir Ron Brutvan Membership Chairman

**Guests:** Guest of: Laveral Tomlinson Victor Okumura Willie Jackson Larry Goodman

Visitors: **Roger Wood**  Guest of:

**George Perry** Inactive lunch visit **Alvin Dockter** 

### **Change of Status:**

Fred Stabell Resigned Dan Silva Change of Address 2860 Country Drive Apt 257 Fremont, CA 94536-5379

> **Membership Total** (as of March 2014)

173 — Active Members 30 — Inactive Members



### **Jacques Guertin**



New **Members** 

Welcome

## Mike Lopez



# **BRING IN A GUEST** WE NEED NEW MEMBERS

# **Attendance Report**



Sir Ed Guthrie Attendance Chairman

# Attendance Report (For March 2014)

Members	126
Guests	2
Visitors	2
Total =	130
20 excused	28 unexcused

# **SIR BRANCH 59 ACTIVITIES**

# Strikes and Spares by Jerry Sabo

We just returned from the Concord Tournament on March 17 & 19. Frankie Cordova and John Pesek,



**Don Henry** and **Jerry Sabo** formed doubles pairs along with four bowlers from Branch 6. The lanes at Concord were a challenge. It was not unusual to roll a game below 150 and then one in the 200's; at least that's what Frankie and Jerry experienced. No one did exceptionally well, but who knows.

**Roger Wallin** returned to our group bowling left handed once again. **Gary Bennett** is planning to return by the end of March. The Past Big Sir from Sunnyvale, **Harvey McAninch**, has joined our group as a regular and should be attending our monthly meetings soon.

Still on the ill or disabled list for our group are **Darrell Jewell** who has been out all year so far, and former bowler **Ron Sternal** who was injured when he bowled with us last season in Reno. **Greg Johnston** has returned on an irregular basis, but is still not up to his usual "form." We also miss **Les Prestwood** who has missed the past several weeks. Hope all is well or is at least improving.

Upcoming tournaments include:

Carson City – Gold Dust West Apr 14, 15, 16, 17 – Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu

Pollock Pines – Knotty Pine Lanes Apr 26, 27, 28 – Sat, Sun, Mon

SIR ANNUAL STATE TOURNAMENT Yuba City – Nu Generation May 19, 20, 22 – Mon, Tue, Thu

There is always room for more bowlers in our group. Usually fifteen to twenty bowlers show up on Monday to bowl. We do not bowl on teams when we bowl so if you miss occasionally we will miss you; but you are not letting down teammates nor charged any fees. If we get a few more bowlers, we will likely form teams.

We meet at Cloverleaf Family Bowl. Just show up and be ready to start practice bowling on Monday at 12:45 P.M. Cost is \$13.00 to bowl. We normally are finished before 3:00 P.M.

# Golf Notes by Bill Leake

Welcome to the Branch 59 golf column First – out of the shoot – take a bow **Richard** 

**Holley**. Rich shot an 88 at Sunol and with his 25.5 index that equates to a net of 62.5. Way to go Rich and please ...take a bow.

Our team tournament is coming right along. This is the last call – <u>What we need are high handicap</u> <u>golfers – 27+</u>. Are you out there? If so and you want to play let me



know. Speaking of the team tournament – it will be held at **Sunol on May 22** with an 8:00AM shotgun start. The winning team goes to **Solano GC for the state championship** on August 11th. I will again be making announcements at the general meeting in April. If you would like to play but don't have a team let me know and I will try to get you on a team. Last year we had 12 teams from the 3 branches within Area 8.

This month we have the **Spring Fling** in Napa – Eagle Vines and Chardonnay on April 21 and 22. This will be a 4 man team, 2 man best ball tournament for the men and a scramble for the ladies. Yes, ladies are invited to the Spring Fling tournament – you must have a valid index from NCGA. Want to golf but not an NCGA member – call me at 793-6561. Did you sign up for Reno? The dates are June 15-20 and June 23-27. There is a big difference this year – week 1 will have 3 formats, day 1 regular play, day 2 4 man team 2 man best ball, and day 3 scramble. Week 2 will be all scramble. If you did not sign up let me know - I will give you the info. On Wednesday August 13 we will have the state qualifier and we return to **Boundary** Oaks. Expect fliers on this event sometime in April or May. The top 2 from each of the 7 flights get a free ride to Poppy Hills on October 27 (open play is Oct 28). Finally, the Fall Classic will be at Solvang on Sept 14 to 18. This is a lot of fun and the format is 2 days of 2 man best ball, 4 man team, and 1 day scramble.

**Regular play** for SIR Branch 59 – we play every Monday at Sunol. Join us – to find out the tee time, please <u>call Sunol at 925-862-0414</u>. The reservation is made under LEAKE.

Post - post your score.

<u>Please – we need more members for SIR and also</u> <u>SIR golf.</u>

Thank you for reading this article.

Bill Leake

# **CYBERGEEZER MEETING**

Cyber Geezers—we meet on the first Tuesday following our monthly SIR Luncheon. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 22nd – 1:30 to 3:30 PM. We will be at our new location: Fremont Congregational Church, 38255 Blacow Road, Fremont, CA. Just show up and you will be a member of our group.

Our March meeting topics included:

- What to do about Microsoft stopping support for Windows XP==Upgrade? Buy a new computer???
- 2. Another iPad App for scanning-scanPDF.
- 3. Creating tables in Excel and copying them into Word vs. Word Tables.
- 4. Various formatting tool for tables.
- 5. Refining your searches on the Internet to investigate word wrap around a table.
- 6. Importing Pictures and Clip Art into Word and various formats.

What is a Cyber Geezer? We are members of SIR Branch 59 and friends that want to keep up with technology. Topics are varied and usually generated by attendees.

If you have any technology topic that you would like included in our next session, please send the information to Jerry at jlsabo@sbcglobal.net. As mentioned previously, we have recently discussed such things as e-books and audio downloads using devices such as the Kindle, iPad or iPod, but other topics are most welcome. Also being discussed are operating systems such as Windows 8 and Mac Mavericks.

SIR members and friends/significant others are welcome, and we do have wireless access so bring your laptop, smart phone or tablet. Call Jerry Sabo – 510-790-3135 or 510-299-3736 if you have other questions.

### READERS AND BROWSERS

Bring your magazines and books to share, take books home to read.

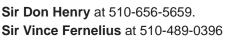
Sir Wayne Adams 510-797-7611

### BRIDGE GROUPS

The Bridge activity includes 2 night time couple's groups and a daytime group following the monthly luncheons. **Sir Arnold George** - 510-**797-9524** 

### PATHFINDERS WALKING AND HIKING GROUP

Meet Wednesday mornings at 8:00 AM at the Park at Paseo Padre and Isherwood. Everyone welcome and bring a friend.



## Area 8 SIR Travel Adventures Emile Lassalle & Lou Pagni

### June 3, 2014 MYSTERY BUS TRIP.

This is a place I believe our branch has never gone to. Should be limited walking and a great time. Lunch is included.

COST is only \$99.00 per person. Trip is booked for only 30 persons, so sign up early.

Escorted by Emile Lassalle, 510-538-7463, or sirs26@earthlink.net.

### November 22 to December 9, 2014 CRUISE TO HAWAII

Depart from San Francisco, sail to the 4 Islands of Hawaii, Oahu, Kauai and Maui (Lahaina). Great trips available from Princess Lines for you land enjoyment while touring the Islands. We will sail to Ensenada Mexico for our return trip back to San Francisco.

COST: Per Person, Double Occupancy the rates vary depending on room section, from \$2570 to \$3974. Escorted by Emile Lassalle, 510-538-7463 or sirs26@earthlink.net.

# MASOUERS JUNE 12th Thursday 2014 "LAYHOUSE" "DEAD MAN'S CELL PHONE"



6 PM Dinner at the Hotel Mac in Pt. Richmond. Followed at 8 PM (across the street) with a live show at the Masquers Playhouse. Doors open at 7:30 PM. Sir # 2 has purchased the whole house... 88 seats. 0 K to bring friends and family. \$ 34.00 each for both

Dinner and Show a real bargain. Please make checks payable to "Sir # 2" and give to me Ron White...ASAP... Any Questions ? Call Ron at (510) 223-8531 home or cell (510) 685-3266.



DEAD MAN'S CELL PHONE Directed by James Nelson A wildly imaginative comedy from the brilliant mind of Sarah Ruhl. It is the odyssey of a woman forced to confront her own assumptions about morality, redemption, and the need to connect in a technologically-obsessed world.

Call Travel Chairman Emile Lassalle for more information 510-538-7463



Thursday, July 3, 2014 will be the next All SIR Day at the San Francisco Giants. The game starts at 12:45 and the opponents will be the St Louis Cardinals. The Giants sell out every game so it is important to get tickets early. A SIR Quartet will sing the national anthem.

Branch 59 of SIR will again participate in the SIR Day at Giants Ballpark. This year it will be held July 3 and tickets will be on sale at the February meeting. Please e-mail or call Bill Leake if you want tickets. They are \$32 each and there are about 7 left. If we sell them all and the demand is there we can get more.

# SUNSHINE REPORT by Sir Allen Sprague



Allen Sprague

**ANTHONY GROSS**: Sir Anthony told Attendance Chair that he "can't make this meeting...still having leg problems."

**JOHN CORDENIZ**: Sir John is now home after 5 days at Stanford Hospital and 5 days at Kaiser Fremont he is happy to be home and appreciates all the best wishes he received from fellow Sirs..

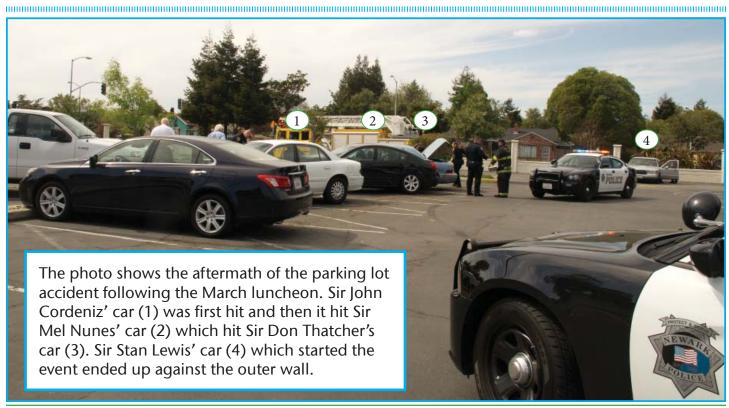
**STAN LEWIS**: Sunshine talked to Sir Stan this morning and he said he is sore from the car accident in the parking lot of Branch 59 after its meeting on the 20th which was precipitated by Stan's car hitting Sir John Cordeniz' car (see above). Sir Stan is very sorry about this event. Sunshine will endeavor to get more info about Sir Mel Nunes and Sir Don Thatcher, whose cars were also involved in the accident.

**DARRELL JEWELL**: Sir Darrell's wife, Sue, told Sunshine on March 26th that Darrell had been moved from the hospital to a recovery facility, Bay Point Health Care, 442 Sunset Blvd. Hayward, 582-8311. Sunshine will endeavor to contact or visit Darrell.

**LUCIANO NAUSIN**: Sir Luciano's wife, Joanne, called on March 27th with the message that Luciano was in the hospital the previous week from an "upset," and had come home to recover, with doctor's appointments the following week.

**FRED STABELL**: Sir Fred is now residing at Lincoln Villa on Lincoln St. in Irvington area of Fremont. He would welcome visitors.

In Memoríam Harold "Andy" Anderson Edward Baldini James Blood Carl Shaner





# SAVE THE DATE – MAY 15, 2014

TAKE YOUR WIFE OR FRIEND TO LUNCH.



# South County Pickers

**South County**, founded in 1999, is a small, dynamic ensemble of singers and musicians, with country and western flair, featuring vocals with the lively sounds of the pedal steel guitar, fiddle and Dobro. Ed Guthrie and Billy Smith will entertain at the Sweetheart Luncheon along with singer Nancy Long.



# "For the Good Times"

The May event is getting closer. Spring is almost here and it is time for a party. Don't forget that tickets are now on sale. Dust off the Western Garb and think about Centerville as it was in 1897. Cattle are grazing and the cowboys are partying. We have secured the entertainment for the event. It will be Ed Guthrie and his South County Band. The group will play country and western as well as pop tunes. The menu will be **Poached Salmon with Lemon Caper Sauce**, **Chicken Cordon Bleu with Champagne Gravy Sauce** and **Tri Tip Strip with Light BBQ sauce**. The cost of tickets will remain at \$22.50 per ticket. Sir Fred Gotthardt will be selling tickets at the April meeting — you can use the order form below and place your order early. To reserve a full table use a TABLE RESERVATION REQUEST FORM.

Western attire is appropriate for both the men and the ladies. This should be a fun event and we look forward to seeing you all. Special accommodations will be made for our single members so don't let being single stop you from coming to the event.

As always door prizes are greatly appreciated and help to make the day enjoyable.

Sir Jim Ferenz, Social Committee Chairman

Beef: Chick Fish:	Tri Tip Strip with Light BBQ sauce en: Chicken Cordon Bleu with Champagne Gravy Sauce Poached Salmon with Lemon Caper Sauce
Your Name & No	Partners's Name
	Tickets will also be sold at the April Luncheon
Number in Party Indicate Meal Choice & No: Beef: Chicken: Fish:	x \$22.50 per person = \$ Make out check to SIR Branch 59 and mail to: Sir Fred Gotthardt, 38353 Farwell Drive, Fremont, CA 94536 Ticket orders must be received by May 8th Be sure to enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope. No refunds after May 8th.
	Requests for Table Reservations must be submitted on a TABLE RESERVATION REQUEST FORM with a list of Sir Member names and their Partner names. Forms will be available at the April Luncheon and also on the Branch Website. http://branch59.sirinc2.org/TableRequestForm-Fillable-20130401e.pdf

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### PAST BIG SIRS

1976 Peter Clark\* 1977 Karl Heine\* 1978 Harry Cooper\* 1979 Kenneth Foster\* 1980 Larry Varblow\* 1981 Guido Milano\* 1982 Alex Fulton\* 1983 Stephen Epler\* 1984 George Herman\* 1985 Ray Crosby\* 1986 Loran Coburn\* 1987 Robert Davis\* 1988 Robert Klindt\* 1989 Martin Annen\* 1990 Lee Updegraff 1991 Fred W. Fretter\* 1992 Lyle Kingery 1993 LeRoy J. King\* 1994 George Hubach\* 1995 Clyde Killion\* 1996 Bill Schwan\* 1997 Nat Lord 1998 John Buchanan\* 1999 Art Lampert\* 2000 Harry Heyen\* 2001 Bob Beam 2002 Rollin Cunningham\* 2003 Don Henry 2004 Tom Sherba 2005 Howard Thompson 2006 Les Addison 2007 Ted Bresler 2008 Richard Holley 2009 Don Gillis\* 2010 Frank R. Thomas 2011 Hugh Twomey 2012 James Ferenz 2013 Skip Mugford

\*(deceased)