



The Pathfinder

Branch Number 59

Thirty-Ninth Year

July 2014

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NEXT MEETING at Newark Pavilion - Thursday, July, 17, 2014

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

by Big Sir Rob Ingebretson



It has been brought to my attention that we have a problem that seems to be getting worse with each meeting. We are having more men coming to our monthly luncheon and not eating. At our June meeting over 20 men attended without eating. Here lies the problem. Since we assume that everyone who attends will eat we tell our caterer that number, give or take a few.

But when 20+ men don't eat we have to pay the caterer accordingly. Since there is no way to figure how many men will not be eating at any given luncheon we have had a policy, that has been in place for years, to help us cover this loss. I feel many of our members have forgotten or are not aware of the policy, which states that if you will not be eating you are to give our ticket sellers (Nat Lord or Arnold George) \$5 to defray the cost of our monthly rental of the Pavilion, the set-up, and various overhead expenses, i.e. printing, stamps, lunches for our speakers and guests etc. Everyone that eats pays \$18, of which \$13 goes to the caterer and the remaining \$5 goes for the previously mentioned expenses. The men that are not going to eat and pay their \$5 are more than welcome to have dessert and coffee with us. The \$5 that our non-eaters pay will help go a long way in solving our financial problem.

Starting at our July meeting we will be going back to our original numbered white luncheon tickets that you will turn in as you go to lunch. You will also be given a colored ticket for our wine drawing if you so desire.

Did you find "ROLLIE?" He is getting harder and harder to find. If you do find ROLLIE, and you want to be in the drawing for a free lunch then just tell the man with the yellow hat and he will enter your name for the drawing.

MENU

BBQ Ribs, BBQ Chicken & Italian Sausage
Fruit Salad, Potato Salad, Corn, Beans

Speaker Jon Ford by Little Sir Larry Goodman



Jon Ford is a retired elementary school educator and administrator retiring in 2009 after 35 years. After retirement he spent one year as a substitute for Fremont Unified School District. However, his real love is wine and wine making.

For his presentation he will focus on recent studies about a person's wine palate and how they can determine why they buy and drink

certain wines. Jon likes to be able to have the participants take a very short, multiple-choice test to determine their style of palate and relate their results with the overall ranking system that tells them the styles of wines they would probably prefer.

Ford has worked for Concannon Vineyards as a tasting room employee for 17 years. Concannon sent him to 80 hours of training in Napa — with three master Sommeliers leading the training — as part of a major food and wine focus for major restaurants and wineries. It was at that time he became very focused on wine in general. Jon began making wine with three friends about 15 years ago and they produce about 80 cases of award winning wines of many varietals each year. Through Concannon he taught wine appreciation courses with three other employees.

He has started working part time for another winery in Livermore known as Bent Creek Vineyards. His enjoyment in working at wineries is being able to teach wine drinkers of any level to walk away from their tasting experience feeling that they know more about wine than when they first came in.

Jon and his wife moved to the Del Webb retirement community in Manteca three years ago and he founded a club known as "Wine 101" in 2011. For each class he makes a presentation about a specific grape variety and then the group samples the same varietal as it is paired with food. The initial class consisted of 20 participants and now have a cut-off for his classes at 101 participants with a waiting list. Winemakers/owners from wineries in Lodi and Livermore are invited to make presentations on their wineries, varietals, history, and techniques.



If you are not coming or if you are bringing a guest or visitor
Don't forget to Call on the Monday before the meeting - or earlier
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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 June Meeting Minutes

Big Sir Rob Ingebretson called the meeting to order at 10:05 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 Secretary Sir Peter Angelides.

Officers Absent: Assistant Treasurer Arnold George.

Directors Present: Sir Skip Mugford, Sir George Perry, Sir Jerry Sabo, and Sir Nat Lord.

Directors Absent: Sir Sheldon Schwartz and Sir Ed Thomas.

MEETING MINUTES

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

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary's Report: Sir Frank Thomas announced his intention not to continue in 2015 as Secretary as he will be leaving SIR in November 2014 or sooner.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Sir Hugh Twomey presented the May 2014 Treasurer's report and indicated a Check Book balance of \$4,161.82.

Little Sir's Report: Little Sir Larry Goodman reported that today's speaker would be Kristi Caracappa.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Attendance: Sir Ed Guthrie projects attendance at today's luncheon at 125.

Birthdays: Sir Art Winkley indicated we would be celebrating May and June Birthdays today. Information is in the Pathfinder. The Officers and Directors wished all a very Happy Birthday.

Bowling: Pertinent information is in the Pathfinder.

CyberGeezers: Pertinent information is in the Pathfinder

Golf: Sir Bill Leake discussed the status attendance of some of the upcoming tournaments. He also indicated that

additional information can be found in the July Pathfinder.

Membership: Sir Fred Gotthardt reported that 4 new members, 4 guests were expected today. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the new members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Big Sir Rob Ingebretson discussed the following concerns which he hoped could be covered by our Directors:

(1) The need for a RIDE COORDINATOR.
(2) The need for an ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR.

(3) The need for a person to do follow up on new guests to see how they feel about SIR and if they decide not to join, try to find out why.

(4) Having a committee of three men; Little Sir Larry Goodman, Past Big Sir Howie Thompson and Sir Sheldon Schwartz that would be in charge of getting our speaker for our monthly meeting.

(5) NOMINATION COMMITTEE feedback about next year's officers.

(6) The continuing need to discuss ways to increase our membership.

(7) He stated we should have a meeting at a restaurant for lunch where members of the BEC could meet to discuss the above topics rather take up the time during the monthly BEC meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.
Submitted by Branch Secretary

Sir Frank R. Thomas

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

<http://branch59.sirinc2.org/>

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HAPPENING

<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE and BIRTHDAY NEWS

by Sir Ron Brutvan, Sir Ed Guthrie, and Sir Art Winkley

Birthday Report



Sir Art Winkley
Birthday Chairman

July Birthdays

Gordon Thym	07/01/1923	91
Valentino Pianetta	07/14/1925	89
Fred Cutter	07/09/1929	85
Gordon MacLeod	07/12/1930	84
Bernard Teague	07/14/1930	84
Luciano Nausin	07/26/1930	84
Dino Mostardi	07/27/1930	84
Ben Fernandez	07/02/1934	80
Rowland McNeil	07/24/1938	76
Wayne Meyer	07/13/1939	75
Gene Lim	07/04/1940	74
Robert Wallace	07/16/1943	71
Frank Bowman Jr.	07/12/1944	70

Happy Birthday

Attendance Report



Sir Ed Guthrie
Attendance Chairman

Attendance Report

(For June 2014)

Members	115
Guests	4
Visitors	1
Total =	120
37 excused	26 unexcused

New Members

Harvey E. McAninch

34400A Mission Blvd Apt 1132
Union City, CA 94587-3675

510-441-3803

Email: harv513@gmail.com

Birthday: 5/13/1943

Spouse: Karon

Badge No. 88

Sponsor: Transfer from Branch 62

Call me: Harvey

Bruce L. Roberts

38607 Logan Drive

Fremont, CA 94536-6822

510-792-0233

Email: bruceface386@yahoo.com

Birthday: 2/4/1944

Badge No. 48

Sponsor: Thomas Blalock

Call me: Bruce

Leroy Sayas

5151 Orkney Court

Newark, CA 94560-2036

510-791-5119

Email: bettertimes41@att.net

Birthday: 6/1/1941

Spouse: Elena

Badge No. 76

Sponsor: Skip Mugford

Call me: Leroy

David P. Shideler

4619 Jean Court

Union City, CA 94587-5012

510-489-7444

Email: DPSPANKY@ATT.NET

Birthday: 12/16/1946

Spouse: Mary

Badge No. 83

Sponsor: Gerald Rodrigues

Call me: Dave

Membership Report



Sir Ron Brutvan
Membership Chairman

Guests:

Robert Olson

Donal Spicer

Jimmy Inocencio

Gerald Robertson

Guest of:

Victor Okumura

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Victor Okumura

James Ferenz

Visitors:

Kristi Caracappa

Guest of:

Speaker

Change of Status:

Darrell Jewell

Dan Silva

Clark Redeker

Edward Blank

Fred Alfred

Thomas Breen

Died 4/20/2014

Died 5/5/2014

Died 5/30/2014

To Inactive

To Inactive

New Address & Phone

4874 Sterling Drive

Fremont, CA 94536-3619

510-557-3619

Membership Total

(as of June 2014)

173 — Active Members

31 — Inactive Members

BRING IN A GUEST
WE NEED NEW MEMBERS



Harvey McAninch



Bruce Roberts



Leroy Sayas



Dave Shideler

SIR BRANCH 59 ACTIVITIES

Strikes and Spares by Jerry Sabo



Most recently, **Don Henry** and **Jerry Sabo** joined with Branch 6 bowlers Lew Heffron and Rich Bowers to form a team at the State Tournament. We just found out that our "team" took first place in the B Division. That means that Branch 59 and Branch 6 will share a trophy for our bowling. In addition the Doubles team

of Don and Jerry took first place in their division, and Jerry took 2nd in all events followed closely by Don in 3rd place.

Roger Wallin and Jerry teamed up for the tournament at Pinole. Jerry took fourth place in singles and as a team they took sixth place. Roger bowled well enough in doubles to place in All-Events. Roger is re-learning his techniques bowling left handed since his last shoulder surgery, and continues to improve.

Upcoming tournaments include:

Yuba City — Nu Generation	Jul 14, 15	Mon, Tue
Napa — Napa Bowl	Jul 28, 29	Mon, Tue
Sonora — Black Oak Casino	Aug 3, 4, 5	Sun, Mon, Tue
Reno — Reno Bowling Stadium	Aug 18, 19, 20	Mon, Tue, Wed

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.



Jerry Sabo

Golf Notes by Bill Leake



Welcome to the Branch 59 golf column.

We completed the Team tournament at Sunol. Two teams from Branch 26 finished 1st and 2nd. One or possibly both will go to the State Championship at Rancho Solano GC in August. Sunol did a good job with the course and will probably go there again

next year. Those representing Branch 59 were the team of **Steve Johnson** (state guy subbing for **Jim Profit**)/**Tom Breen**/**Alan Hawkins**/**Ron Hamro** – 3rd; **Terry Dalziel**/**Gary Bennett**/**Richard Holley**/**Forrest Lusher** – 4th; **Fred Ilg**/**Fred Zachu**/**Bill Leake**/**Jim Ulam** – 5th; and - **Bob Morales**/**Lloyd Keplinger**/**Bob Lewis**/**Bill Briscoe** – 9th. Sunol did a very good job hosting the tournament.

Tournament Schedule: Our next tournament will be the **state qualifier at Boundary Oaks** on Wednesday August 13 (7:30 shotgun start). We are still looking for participants as we speak. Price is \$53.00 (make checks out to SIR Branch 59) and deadline is late July. Top 2 finishers from each of the 7 flights get a free ride to Poppy Hills for state championship on August 27. There is also open play on August 28 at Poppy Hills as well. Let me know if you need a form.

The final state tournament, which is 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.

We just completed the **Reno tournament** and results will be in the August Pathfinder. At this writing it appears that week 2 was the most popular

Regular play for SIR Branch 59 – We have changed things just a little. We have a standing 7:00 Monday morning tee time 1-2 times and 2-3 tee times for Tuesday beginning at 8:00ih. Once a month we play Palm and all are welcome Join us -- to find out the tee time, please call Sunol at 925-862-0414. The reservation is made under LEAKE.

Post – post your score.

Please – we need more members for SIR and also SIR golf.

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 July 22th – 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 June meeting topics included:

1. *TeamViewer* remote access software and a demo of its usage.
2. More about iPads and apps.
3. NAS Boxes and their use—a personal “cloud” system for media and storage.
4. The “Time Machine” for Mac OSX.

July topics may include converting analog music such as tapes and records into CD's, using MS Excel or other spreadsheets. Please send me additional topics that you would like to cover.

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 James Floor 510-656-9537



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.

Sir Don Henry at 510-656-5659.

Sir Vince Fernelius at 510-489-0396



Area 8 SIR Travel Adventures Emile Lassalle & Lou Pagni

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

DID YOU KNOW

By Bill Leake

We are attempting to open up a new discussion to help seniors through life. The purpose of this section of the Pathfinder is to share ideas and facts that may make your life better and possibly something that you did not know. So, after each input, then we can say that NOW YOU KNOW.

Did you know that you can add money to a clipper card (for BART and muni) by going to the BART station, or going to the photo department of Walgreens? By going to Walgreens, it is convenient, safe and fast. So, now you know.

If you have something that you would like to share for this new column please submit the item to Bill Leake (wml50@comcast.net) or the Pathfinder Editor and if there is room we will publish it.

SUNSHINE REPORT

by Sir Allen Sprague



Allen Sprague

LES ADDISON told me at the luncheon in June that he had a cornea transplant a week earlier.

No other leads received so far.

In Memoriam
No news is good news

SIR BRANCH 59 ELECTION

The election for 2015 Branch Officers and Directors will be held during the August Luncheon Meeting.

The nominating committee proposes the following slate of Officers and Directors for next year.

The nominees for **OFFICERS** are:

Big Sir	Sir Larry Goodman
Little Sir	Sir Jim Ulam
Treasurer	Sir Hugh Twomey
Assistant Treasurer	Sir Arnold George
Secretary	Sir Peter Angelides
Assistant Secretary	Sir Rob Ingebretson

The nominees for **DIRECTOR** are:

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



You will have the opportunity to submit nominations from the floor for any position. However, your nominee must be present at the meeting, and must agree to serve if elected.

For The Good Times in June



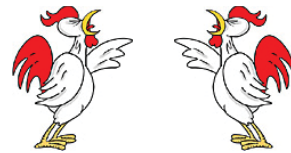
Area Governor James Ferez (on the left) is shown presenting the Senior SIR President's Award to Sir Charles Wilkens for reaching the age of 90.



Big Sir Rob Ingebreton (on the right) is shown presenting Sir Wayne Adams with a Certificate of Appreciation for his ten years of service as Branch 59 Librarian.



To the left June luncheon speaker Kristi Caracappa shows the Certificate of Appreciation that she received, after her presentation, to Sir Arnold Mozzetti.



Below new members are presented to the Branch at the June luncheon. From left to right Past Big Sir Skip Mugford sponsor of new member Sir Leroy Sayas, new member Sir Bruce Roberts next to his sponsor Sir Tom Blalock and directing everything is Big Sir Rob Ingebreton.



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ACTIVITIES

- Chairman

ATTENDANCE

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Bill Pruner - Assistant
Sheldon Schwartz - Assistant
John Williams - Assistant

AUDIT

Carl Nordling - **Chairman**
Ron Brutvan - Assistant

BIRTHDAYS

Art Winkley - **Chairman**
Sheldon Schwartz - Assistant

BOWLING

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Jerry Sabo - Assistant

BRIDGE GROUP

Arnold George - **Chairman**

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Dino Mostardi - Assistant

CHAPLAIN

Howard Thompson - **Chairman**
Ted Bresler - Assistant

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Bill Briscoe - **Chairman**
Fred Ilg - Assistant

CYBERGEEZERS

Jerry Sabo - **Chairman**

GOLF

Bill Leake - **Chairman**
Fred Ilg - Assistant

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Roger Wallin - Assistant

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Carl Nordling - Assistant

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Fred Gotthardt - Assistant

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Nat Lord - Assistant
Rob Ingebretson - Assistant
John Skarpelos - Assistant

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Nat Lord - Assistant

SUNSHINE

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Don Henry - **Chairman**
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PATHFINDER DEADLINE

Copy deadline for the next issue of the *Pathfinder* will be Thursday a week after the monthly luncheon meeting.

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*
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1998 John Buchanan*
1999 Art Lampert*
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2001 Bob Beam
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2003 Don Henry
2004 Tom Sherba
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2008 Richard Holley
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*(deceased)