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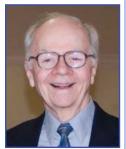
Thirty-Sixth Year October 2011 Bulletin No. 9

NEXT MEETING at Newark Pavilion - Thursday, October 20, 2011

The Rooster Crows by Big Sir Hugh Twomey

If you attend the SIR Branch 59 monthly Meeting and do not wish to purchase a "Luncheon" ticket, you will now have the option to purchase a \$5.00 Donation ticket.

The \$5.00 donation will be applied to pay for "SIR State Assessment," "The Pathfinder Expenses," "The Hall Rent," "Set-Up of Tables and



Chairs," "Branch 59 Supplies and Postage."

The Donation Ticket, as shown below, will be available

at the October luncheon and may be purchased at the ticket sales desk.

The Donation Ticket should be turned in along with your "Membership" badge to account for your attendance and donation.



You are welcome to "Enjoy Coffee and Desert" with us.

Remember "be a friend, bring a friend" as your guest to the October Luncheon.

Hugh Twomey

MENU

Pork Scaloppini and Chicken Cacciatore

Pasta Alfredo, Pasta Mostachelli and Long Beans

Our Speaker William Marshak by Little Sir Ron Holladay

What is the Tri-City Voice? Ever wonder, have you seen it or read it? It is located in most of our public buildings free of charge and tells you what our communities are doing and events that they have scheduled. The newspaper edition is published once a week and a week-end flyer is also available. This flyer includes



the SIR advertisement for enticing new members. Try looking for it.

Why do we need a paper like this? Try gathering information on your local city activities? What events are taking place in our communities? How are the local high school teams doing in all their activities?

William (Bill) Marshak has been involved with "What's Happening" in 1998 and then it has expanded into a twice monthly paper and then into a weekly. His paper has grown in circulation and interest of all the cultures here in the tri-city area. His reporters scout the area for activities that are not covered by other papers in the area.

Mr. Marshak has great credentials and a varied back ground. He has an undergraduate and graduate degree in Biology. He can tell you about sleep! He has obtained a lifetime Teaching Credential. He has also served in the U. S. Navy Intelligence Service.

Personal experience has included U. S. Forest Service firefighter, sport fisheries and wildlife service, quality control and research and as a secondary school science and math teacher, pharmaceutical sales, financial advisor and publisher.

Bring in a Guest We need new Members





Branch 59 Officers

Big Sir Hugh Twomey (510) 796-5559

Little Sir Ron Holladay (510) 656-9017

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Jim Ferenz (510) 651-7717

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Asst. Treasurer Nat Lord (510) 797-1704

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Bill Anderson Bill Dark Robert Ingebretson Jerry Sabo Frank R. Thomas Roger Wallin

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

A Nonprofit public benefit corporation for retired men



Sir Jim Ferenz September Meeting Minutes



Big Sir Hugh Twomey called the meeting to order at 10:00AM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call by Secretary, Officers present: Big Sir Hugh Twomey, Little Sir Ron Holladay, Secretary Sir

Jim Ferenz, Assistant Secretary Sir Peter Angelides, Assistant Treasurer Nat Lord. Officers absent: Treasurer Sir Ben Fernandez Directors present: Sir Bill Anderson, Sir Bill Dark, Sir Robert Ingebretson, Sir Frank R. Thomas and Sir Roger Wallin. Directors absent: Sir Jerry Sabo.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published in the Pathfinder.

Treasurer's Report

Big Sir Hugh Twomey presented the Treasurer's report which shows that our financials remain in good condition.

Secretary's report

Secretary Sir Jim Ferenz had nothing to report.

Little Sir Report

Little Sir Ron Holladay stated that our speaker for today would be Mr. Jon Kingdon, Director of College Scouting for the Oakland Raiders. Mr. Kingdon will talk about the overall operation of College Scouting for the Raiders.

Committee Reports

Attendance

Sir Ed Guthrie projects attendance at today's luncheon at 152.

Membership

Sir Ron Brutvan proposed one new member. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the new member. The new member is Mark Doyle (116) sponsored by Frank D. Thomas.

Advertising

Sir Frank R. Thomas reports that so far he has received no calls as a result of the SIR ad in The Tri City Voice. He is considering going to the yearly ad at a cost of \$50.00 per year. Discussion on this issue was tabled until the October meeting.

Activities

An Activities table will be set up at today's meeting. The table will have representatives for all the major activities so that a member may make inquiries or sign up for various activities. Sir Rob Ingebretson is the Activities Chairman

and is open to discuss any request for activities to add to our list.

Birthdays

Fourteen Birthdays will be celebrated this month. They range from 86 to 68. The Officers, Directors, and Members wish these celebrants a very Happy Birthday.

Bowling

Sir Nat Lord reported that bowling continues to draw a large interest. Sixty-four bowlers participated in our most recent tournament.

Caps and Emblems

Sir Nat Lord, State Chairman of Hardware, has the new tan golf hat available for sale. The hat is of excellent quality, tan in color with a hand embroidered SIR logo. They are available for sale at \$10.00 each. Nat also reports that pens will be available at 60¢ each.

Golf

A large group of our golfers are at a major tournament in Solvang, California. Sir Bill Leake will report on it in the next issue of the Pathfinder.

Social

Sir Jim Ferenz reports that the team is making great progress on the planning for our Christmas Fantasy. Tickets will be on sale at the October meeting. Members can make reservations by email by using the form available in the next Pathfinder. We still need help with Door Prizes. Letters to Merchants are available so that donors can get the tax advantage due them. The Social team is doing all possible to make sure this is a memorable event. Please join us on December 15. Ticket cost is \$22.50.

Sunshine

Sir Dave Marymee reports the passing of one of our long time members Sir Dave Minor. Dave passed in September. The Members, Officers, and Directors extend their condolences to Sir Dave's family.

Unfinished Business

The exit Process Procedure has been established by Sir Ron Brutvan and Sir Frank R. Thomas. Sir Frank will make a personal call to departing members when SIR Ron feels that it will help the situation.

New Business

The Catering contract for 2012 will be discussed at the October BEC meeting. The Board will discuss going to a yearly ad in the Tri City Voice.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM. Submitted by Secretary Sir Jim Ferenz

Jim Ferenz

MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE and BIRTHDAY NEWS

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

Birthday Report



Sir Art Winkley Birthday Chairman

October Birthdays

Calvin Lynch	10/13/1923	88
John Ockes	10/05/1927	84
Stanley Lewis	10/11/1927	84
Fred Gotthardt	10/30/1927	84
Peter Angelides	10/15/1929	82
Henry Scherer, Jr.	10/10/1931	80
Harold Anderson	10/01/1932	79
Arthur McGrath	10/05/1932	79
Lynn Purvis	10/29/1932	79
Anthony Bruno	10/08/1933	78
Hugh Twomey	10/24/1935	76
Bill Roberts	10/27/1935	76
John Pesek III	10/19/1940	71
Robert Teglia	10/10/1942	69
Terry Dalziel	10/25/1942	69
Jim Proffitt	10/19/1947	64

New Members

Mark Doyle

3800 Walnut Avenue Apt 229 Fremont. CA 94538-2267

510-329-4630 Birthday: 6/8/1929 Badge No. 116

Sponsor: Frank D. Thomas

Call me: Mark

Mark Doyle



Membership Report



Sir Ron Brutvan Membership Chairman

Guests: Guest of: Frank D. Thomas Jim Owens Joseph Jeno Sergio Zilli

Visitors:

Jon Kingdon Speaker

Change of Status:

Doug Eads Resigned **Robert Lewis** Transfer Br 26 **David Minor** Died Sep 7 **Aaron Wong** Resigned To Inactive **Dean Olsen** Les Schilling To Inactive Tom Cassiday Resigned

Membership Total

(as of September 2011)

211 — Active Members 28 — Inactive Members



Sir Bob Springer on the right is shown presenting an Appreciation Certificate to Jon Kingdon with the Raiders, speaker at the September luncheon.

Bring in a Guest We need new **Members**

Attendance Report



Sir Ed Guthrie Attendance Chairman

Attendance Report

(For September 2011)

Members 132 Guests Visitors Total = 135

47 excused 38 unexcused

You can get this issue of the Pathfinder or earlier issues by going to the Branch Website: http://branch59.sirinc2.org/

SIR BRANCH 59 ACTIVITIES

Strikes and Spares by Jerry Sabo

Jerry Sabo would like to thank Nat for finding the Sonora prize money that he didn't know he had.

Several bowlers from the Fremont/ Hayward group did well in the Cloverleaf Tournament that we sponsored. Rich Bowers (Br. 6) placed 1st in A Division Singles, 2nd in Doubles, and 1st in all events. Rich teamed with Chuck Pereira in doubles. Chuck and Jerry



Sabo placed third in Doubles, but Chuck could only win one doubles prize. Nat Lord placed Fourth in Doubles. Several other friends of Fremont SIR won prizes. The entire tournament was a success except for the fact that tournament attendance was down from last year. Branch 59 bowlers that placed well included: Roger Wallin, John Pesek, James Lawrence, Wayne Adams and Don Henry. Many thanks to James Lawrence, Nat Lord, Frank Cordova, Rich Bowers, John Pesek and Art Winkley for all your help with the tournament. Frank Cordova was unable to bowl at our tournament this year because of his recent knee surgery, but has now started to bowl again.

Photos taken at the tournament are shown on page 7

A complete report of our tournament is available on line at www.sirinc.org/bowling/. On the bowling part of the SIR website there is always a posting of upcoming tournaments, tournament results, tournament applications etc. The State Bowling Webmaster is our own Jerry Sabo. Jerry has also been appointed as State Bowling Secretary for 2012.

The schedule for November is as follows:

Modesto Nov. 2, 4 Concord Nov. 15, 16 McHenry Bowl Clayton Bowl

Now would be a great time for new bowlers to join us. Usually the "winter leagues" start in early September, and we are no exception. However, SIR members can join us at any time. We even have four golfers that bowl with us. We meet at Cloverleaf Family Bowl;



located in the shopping center at the corner of Grimmer and Fremont Blvd. Just show up and be ready to start practice bowling 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.

Please welcome **Miguel Ferras** back to Branch 59. I was not at the last meeting – was traveling. Sorry for not being there.

On Wednesday August 31 we had the division 4 state qualifier at Boundary Oaks. Those representing Branch 59 were **John Trischetti**, **Dave Tanner**,



Gary Bennett, Bob Balan and Bill Leake. We will have results in the next Pathfinder column. The top 2 finishers in each flight get to go to Poppy Hills on October 18 — for When you go to the next meeting you will notice that some golfers are absent. That is because of second to last tournament of the year — the Solvang Classic. It will be held

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Sep 11-15 at Solvang. 5 days, 4 nights, 3 days of golf this year – 2 days of 2 man best ball & scramble 1 day. Results



of that tournament will be in next month's Pathfinder as well.

As we approach the last quarter of 2011 you are reminded of golf dues for year 2012. I will let you know the amount in the next column. I am assuming that it will be \$37 again – but will let you know in the next column.

Do you want to stay abreast with SIR state activities – visit www.sirstategolf.com and it will tell you more than you need to know.

One interesting note – there is talk of a possible cruise in Q1 2012 – will let you know more later.

Suggestion Box – Do you have a suggestion to improve SIR golf? We now have a suggestion box. Call Bill Leake (510-793-6561) for details. You could win a case of golf balls

Regular play for SIR Branch 59 – We play every Monday and Thursday at Sunol. 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

Jerry will be back from his grand tour of the continent. Our meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1st from 2 to 4 pm in the Fukaya room at the Fremont Main Library. Remember this is one week later than usual.

Jerry will continue to discuss and demonstrated working with spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel.

Topics are usually varied, and generated by group interest. All SIR members and friends are always welcome to attend. If you have a laptop computer or notebook, please bring it next time.

Jerry Sabo - 510-790-3135

WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY

Join us for an hour at the Creative Writing Class at the Fremont Senior Center every **Tuesday at 10:00 AM**.

During that hour, instructions are handed out for writing (but not required); writings are read (if you want to read what you wrote) and discussed. It is an active class with some great people.

Ron Holladay - 510-656-9017

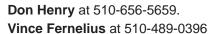
BRIDGE GROUPS

The Bridge activity includes 2 night time couple's groups and a daytime group following the monthly luncheons. The diners are encouraged to join the latter card sharks in order to overwhelm the noise of tables and chairs being moved by Pavilion's staff.

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.





READERS AND BROWSERS

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

Wayne Adams 510-797-7611





http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/

Area 8 SIR Travel Adventures Emile Lassalle

October 18-19, 2011 OVERNIGHT TO RENO

Leave Hayward at 8:00 A.M. Bre ast stop will be made en route to Reno. Arrive about M. and check in at the Eldorado for your overral ay. Cocktail party at 4:30 in Joe's Suite. Dinner Bronosted tonight. Show is optional if you wish to be on stage is HAIRSPRAY at an additional cost of the Eldorado, before continuing to Boomtown. Up oriving there you will receive a \$5.00 cash and a \$5.00 cash and a \$5.00 cash.

COST: \$136.00 PP, \$28 Single supplement.
OPTIONAL: Hairspray tickets \$30.00 P.P.
ESCORT: JOE GUERRERO, Ph. 510-326-4196 or call
Emile Lassalle at 510-538-7463.

October 21, 2011 SIR DAY AT THE RACES

This day has been reserved for Sons in Retirment at Golden Gate Fields. Come join in the fun of horse racing at one of the last remaining race tracks in California. You will be treated to the TURF CLUB BUFFET MENU, VALET PARKING, RESERVED SEATING, DAILY RACING PROGRAM and all taxes and tips are included.



COST per person: \$28.00 – Deadline for ticket sales is SEPTEMBER 14, 2011,

NONE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE.

You must send a "STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE" to Emile so the tickets will be sent to you. This is a trip where you drive to the track in your own car. MAIL your check to Emile Lassalle, 19574 Stanton Ave., Castro Valley, 94546

December 10, 2011 THE SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

This is a trip we did about 8 years ago and it was a sell-out, we had 2 buses. It is a Christmas PAGEANT in Sacramento and the tree had at least 100 or more singing participants. We will have dinner at the Spaghetti Factory.

COST: \$81 PER PERSON, Escort Emile Lassalle, 510-538-7463



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

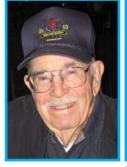
SUNSHINE REPORT

by Sir Dave Marymee, Sir Bob Walter and Sir Carl Shaner

THOMAS AHERN is receiving physical therapy and residing at Lincoln Convalescent Center in Irvington District. Stop in and see him as he likes visitors.

FRED ANDERSON (wheel chair bound) was at the the September luncheon. Fred depends upon a driver to take him to the luncheon.

DOUGLAS EADS (wheel chair bound) -- We were informed on September 13 by his wife, Paula, that Doug was recovering in Kaiser Hospital from an operation involving stomach cancer. Doug was forbidden to have visitors. We wish Doug well.







Dave Marymee

Bob Walter

Carl Shaner

JACK GAUNT – Wife, Rosemary, reported Jack is about the same. He is on hospice care. Jack suffers from liver and kidney disease. We wish Jack the best.

LEE MINEAU – Volunteer hospice caretaker reports that Lee is about the same. Lee is fighting lung cancer and is under hospice care. We wish Lee the best.

DAVID MINOR died September 7, age 84 years. His lifelong profession was teaching math to Fremont high school students and college students at Chabot and Cal.State East Bay colleges. David retired from Naval Reserve with the rank of Captain. He was a long time member of the Fremont Rotary Club. Plans are to take his body to San Diego for burial at sea.

In Memoriam David Minor

TERRY PEARSON limps a little because he had a tendon repaired on the front of his knee. We wish Terry well.

CARL SHANER (Sunshine Committee) reports he takes shots for pain in his lower spine and chemotherapy for cancer. We wish Carl well.

JAMES STANHOPE was in the hospital in early September. He had a heart attack. James is at home recuperating. We wish him well.



ACTIVITY COMMITTEE by Sir Rob Ingebretson

The Activity Table sign-up we had at our last meeting generated 12 new sign-ups. By the time you read this in the Pathfinder, the 12 men that signed up have been contacted. If anyone is still interested in joining one of our activities don't hesitate to contact me at robingy@comcast.net or phone me at 510-657-7828.

Rob Ingebretson

During the Activity sign-up last month In the photo at right Sir

Doug Howd (left) sits in for missing Bridge Chairman Sir Arnold George, Sir Bill Anderson (center) sits in for missing Golf Chairman Sir Bill Leake and Sir Howie Thompson (right) sits in for missing Cybergeezer Chairman Sir Jerry Sabo.



2011 Annual Pathfinder Bowling Tournament





Chicken:Cordon Bleu

Fish: Poached Salmon

Branch 59 Bowlers hosted their annual Bowling Tournament held at the Clover Leaf Bowl. Shown in the photo above are (left to right) Sir Roger Wallin, Sir John Pesek, Sir Don Henry, guest Gary Galleguillos, Sir James Lawrence and Sir Wayne Adams. Sir Greg Johnston is in the left photo and Sir Darrell Jewel is in the right photo.



Save the Date - December 15th Christmas Fantasy Take your wife or a friend to lunch

Your Name & No	Partners's Name	
Tickets will also be sold at the October and November Luncheons		
Number in Party	x \$ 22.50 per person = \$	Make out check to SIR Branch 59
	and mail to: Sir Ed Kurtz, 2	2688 Sunnycrest Court, Fremont, CA 94539
Indicate Meal Choice & No:	Tic	ket orders must be received by December 8th
Beef: NY Strip	Be sure to	enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope

Be sure to enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

No refunds after December 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 October and November Luncheons and also on the Branch Website.

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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*

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2004 Tom Sherba 2005 Howard Thompson

2006 Les Addison

2007 Ted Bresler

2008 Richard Holley

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*(deceased)