



The Pathfinder

Branch Number 59

Forty-Second Year

October 2017

Bulletin No.9

MEETING -Fremont Elks Lodge - Wednesday **October 18, 2017 -Social Hour 11AM**



Big Sir Jim Ulam's Thoughts

Wasn't that a great show we put on for September's meeting?! Sir Bob Benya gets all the credit for recommending the speaker, selecting the songs and performing the duets with the charming, multi-talented Lisa Faria.

And, wasn't she just a great, dynamic speaker? Like someone mentioned afterward, "I wouldn't want to face *her* in a court of law!"


And how about all of our new members?! Wow! Keep up the great work in inviting more gentlemen to visit and join our organization, it's what keeps Branch 59 thriving! Let's show our new members what a wonderful organization they have joined by making them feel welcome, including them in conversations, asking questions and inviting them to join in the activities.

Remember, Little Sir Harvey McAninch, is buying you a beer to celebrate Oktoberfest. Also, we will be taking individual photos of everyone in October and November to go into our 2018 Pathfinder Roster.

Finally, another important reminder that, beginning in January 2018, if you are not going to make a meeting and don't call in **you will be charged for the lunch you missed!**

-Big Jim Continued on Pg 6-

Win a Free Lunch

By finding ROLLIE  — you can win a free lunch if your name is selected. Let Rollie Referee Dino Mostardi know where he is located in the Pathfinder after you buy your luncheon ticket.

October Speaker, Dr. Barry Hayes



Dr. Barry Hayes has had a dual career as a therapist and a teacher since 1966. After spending three years working in state hospitals and five and one half years working for Santa Clara County Mental Health, he began his private practice. He

continues his practice in Saratoga, working with individuals, couples and seniors.

He has taught at a number of colleges and universities including San Jose State and, for thirty five years at Santa Clara University. Even though he taught coursed in Psychopathology and Clinical Assessment, his main interest has been Health Psychology.

He spent twenty five years focusing on chronic illness and worked closely with the Multiple Sclerosis Society. He was able to bring this interest to Santa Clara University by starting the Master's program in Health Psychology. From there it was an easy transition to his interest in Aging as a component of health Psychology.

For ten years now Dr. Hayes has led courses on Aging for the Center for Professional Development as well as giving talks and seminars at various hospitals in the area.

From the beginning as a Health Psychologist, Dr. Hayes has been interested in how individuals form the experience of themselves. Bodies evolve and change. Aging certainly involves physical and psychological change. Yet individuals continue to create and maintain an identity, often transforming these changes into consciousness and growth.

Menu--Dina's Catering

**Enchiladas-Beef or Chicken
Rice, Chips, Dip, Beans, Salsa
Open Desserts**



If you are not coming or if you are bringing a guest or visitor
Don't forget to Call on the SUNDAY BEFORE THE MEETING- or earlier
Ed Guthrie (510) 659-0498 or email edguthrie@comcast.net



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Branch 59

Meets at Fremont Elks

38991 Farwell Drive,

Fremont CA on the 3rd

Wednesday of each month

10:00 AM

Executive Board Meeting

11AM Social Hour

12 Noon Lunch

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October 2017

SIR Branch 59 BEC Minutes, September 20, 2017



Big SIR Jim Ulam called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and led the assembled group in the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Officers Present:
Big Sir Jim Ulam, Little Sir Harvey McAninch, Assistant Secretary Sir

Peter Angelides, Treasurer Sir Hugh Twomey, and Assistant Treasurer Sir Arnold George

Officers Absent: Secretary Sir Jerry Robertson

Directors Present: Sir Sammy Lum, Sir George Perry, Sir John Pesek, Sir Jerry Sabo

Directors Absent: Sir Nat Lord and Sir Alan Weiner

MEETING MINUTES: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the August 2017 Minutes as published in the Pathfinder

OFFICERS REPORTS

Secretary's Report: None

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Sir Hugh Twomey reported that as of September 20, 2017 the adjusted checkbook balance came to \$3,529.97.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Attendance: Sir Ed Guthrie projects attendance at 115 including visitors and guests.

Birthdays

At today's luncheon, we celebrate 15 birthdays ranging in age from 90 the oldest to 62 the youngest.

Membership: 3 new members are attending today's luncheon as follows:

Ken Brunskill sponsored by Sir Bill Briscoe

Phillip Keller sponsored by Sir Bob Marshall

David Nelsen sponsored by Sir Bruce Roberts

Also, one second time guest, Sterling Strickland will be in attendance.

Golf: As Sir Bill Leake announced his retirement, BEC is looking for a new Golf activities chairman. Sir Bill did such an outstanding job. He will be sorely missed.

Bowling and Cyberguezers: See Branch 59 Newsletter for latest news on these activities

Activities Committee: Activities Chairman Sir Roger Wallin indicated no dramatic change in activities the past month.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: One of the problems that has plagued Branch 59 for years is some members say they are coming to the luncheon, then don't show. As a result, Branch 59 has to absorb the cost for the unused meals. To prevent or at least curtail members from doing this, the BEC via Sir John Pesek's approved motion decided to charge members in question for the unused meal the following luncheon date along with the cost of the current meal. This practice would start with the January 2018 luncheon.

The month of October, being **Octoberfest** time gave our Little Sir Harvey McAninch the opportunity to show his appreciation of this hallowed event by purchasing a keg of beer for all of us guzzlers at the October Luncheon. Thank you, Sir Harvey. You are a class act!

The meeting was adjourned by Big Sir Jim Ulam at 11:00 AM

Minutes submitted by Sir Peter Angelides, Branch 59 Assistant Secretary



This Is Gonna Cost You!

If you are **not** going to attend a regularly scheduled meeting and you **don't** call or email Sir Ed Guthrie ahead of time, **you will be charged for the meal that you missed!**

Starting with our January 2018 meeting **unexcused** absences will cost you the price we pay the caterer for your meal, which is \$13.

Sir Ed's phone number is (510) 659-0498 and his email is edguthrie@comcast.net It is preferable that you contact him by, or before, the Sunday prior to the meeting!

The branch thanks you for your courtesy and consideration!

MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE

by Sir Ron Brutvan, Sir Ed Guthrie

Attendance Report



Sir Ed Guthrie
Attendance Chairman

Attendance Report 9/20/2017

Members	115=73%
Guests	3
Visitors	6
Total	124
Excused	21
Unexcused	23

New Members/Guests

New Members:

Member

Ken Brunskill
Phillip Keller
David Nelsen

Sponsor

Bill Briscoe
Bob Marshall
Bruce Roberts

Guests (2nd time)

Sterling Stricklan Bill Briscoe

Guests (1st time)

Frank Steiner Ted Bresler
Les Yamane Victor Okumura

Membership Report



Sir Ron Brutvan
Membership
Chairman

Change of Status

To Inactive

#116 John Wong

Membership Report

09/20/2017

Active Members 158
Inactive Members 21



Sir Sammy Lum
Birthday Chairman

October Birthdays

John Ockes	90
Stanley Lewis	90
Fred Gotthardt	90
Peter Angelides	88
Arthur McGrath	85
John Etherton	83
Harry Pearson	83
Hugh Twomey	82
Louis Alonzo	81
John Pesek III	77
J. D. Smith	75
Terry Dalziel	75
Fred Barker	73
Jim Proffitt	70

L to R: Sir Ken Brunskill, Sir David Nelsen and Sir Phillip Keller



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

You can get your Pathfinder at:

<http://sirbranch59.org>

Comments, photos for site etc.
email to:

sirbranch59@gmail.com

Notice!

Individual Photos of Branch 59
Members will be taken at the
October and November SIR
Meetings. We plan to have an
on-line photo album on our
website: <http://sirbranch59.org>



SIR BRANCH 59 ACTIVITIES

Strikes and Spares by Sir John Pesek



The United States Bowling Congress, which is the national bowling administration, has decreed that the new bowling year has started as of September. Our Monday Sirs are ready for the new year as demonstrated by the high scores bowled so far

in the new year.

Sir Miguel Ferras: 228 202, and 201 Sir Roger Wallin: 216, 203, 202, 216, and 215. Sir Jerry Sabo 202 and 227. Sir Jimmy Inocencio: 204 and 209. Sir Don Henry: 207, Sir Joe Stanley: 204, Sir Donal Spicer: 200 and 209. Sir Laverl Tomlinson: 204 and 215. Sir Lew Heffron a 214.

Welcome back Joe Stanley--hand surgery.

We always have room for more bowlers in our group. Usually 15 to 20 bowlers show up on Monday to bowl. There is no team commitment, nor a penalty if you can't make it. We meet at the Cloverleaf Family Bowl. Just show up and be ready to start practice bowling at 12:45 P.M. The cost is \$14 to bowl 3 games. We normally finish before 3:00 P. M.



**Transferred from Branch 6-
Sir Rich Bowers and Sir Lew Heffron
(Long time bowlers)**

Golf Notes by Sir Bill Leake



Welcome to the Sir Branch 59 golf newsletter for October, 2017. It is getting near to 2018 – can you believe it.

Major announcement – NCGA dues for 2018 have been increased to \$39.00. Please make checks payable

to SIR Branch 59 and either bring it to the next meeting or mail it to Bill Leake, PO Box 434, Fremont CA 94537. Deadline is early December 2017.

As I announced at the September meeting, I am resigning as golf chairman for branch 59 and area 8. The effective date is the end of this year. but will continue until someone else takes over. I will collect the dues for 2018 (due no later than mid-December 2017)

When you complete a round of golf please post your score – good or bad.

The individual state championship and open play tournament was held on October 16 & 17 at Laguna Seca. Day 1 was open play – ladies welcome to join us. Day 2 was championship play with remaining slots for open play.

We continue to play open golf and the most popular courses are Spring Valley (Milpitas) and SkyWest (Hayward). If there are other courses of interest to get more golfers together let me know and we will post it via e-mail

Please post your scores. They are updated the 15th and last day of each month.

We need more members for SIR and also SIR golf. You have friends – talk to them about joining us. Besides golf we have a whole lot of activities.

We do not have the schedule for 2018 as of yet but when it does come out I will let you know. It should not be a big difference between 2017 and 2018 (yikes).

Look on the SIR website www.sirtategolf.com for updates,

It has been a pleasure serving as your golf chair for the last 14 years. I am sure my replacement will do a fine job.

Bill Leake – 510-917-1146 wml50@comcast.net

CYBERGEEZER MEETING

Cyber Geezers—we usually meet on the Tuesday following our monthly SIR Luncheon. Our next meeting will be held on **October 24th** at Fremont Congregational Church, **38255 Blacow Road, Fremont, CA**. Just show up and you will be a member of our group. The meeting time is from 1:30 to about 3:30 PM.



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 jlsabo3@comcast.net. We have previously discussed such things as e-books and audio downloads using devices such as the Kindle, iPad or iPhone, home Wi-Fi systems, cloud storage, Windows 10, Mac OSX and using software such as Excel. More of the previous or most any new topic is welcomed. Just attempting to keep up-to-date with changes in technology!

During the September meeting we discussed saving email information and retrieving that information as in MS Outlook and Comcast mail. We also discussed new technology items such as the Altec Lansing bluetooth speaker and wireless storage devices.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

COUPLES WINE TASTING

All Sirs (singles, couples, friends) are invited to join us. This activity is in the planning stage so let your thoughts be known to:

Chairman **Sir Skip Mugford 510-794-1184**
or email **SMUGFORD86@COMCAST.NET**

READERS AND BROWSERS

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

Sir James Ploor 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

COUPLES DINING OUT

All SIR (singles, couples, friends) are invited to join us. This activity is in the planning stage so let your thoughts be known to:

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First "Dealers Lunch Bunch"

Monthly Poker Lunch scheduled for October 23rd, and on each **FOURTH** Monday of the month from then on.

Time: 1pm to 4pm

Location: Jack's Restaurant and Bar, Lower Level, Newpark Mall (below Pieology)

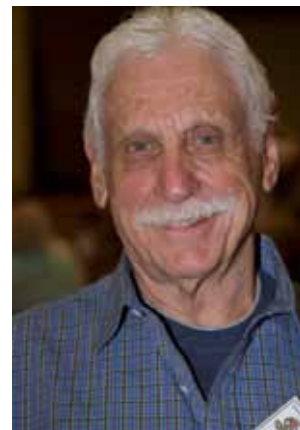
Buy-in and Game: \$10 buy-in with dime/quarter/half dollar/dollar chips; dime ante; half dollar maximum; each game around the table is dealer's choice.

Food/Drinks: Order from Jack's Restaurant and Bar menu; \$7 to \$30; menu items; and typical beers, well, and specialty drinks.

Roster: Twenty member maximum. We will keep membership in the group open until we get twenty members (we are optimistic). We will then start a substitution list.

**Do you have new
Activity suggestions?**

Contact:
Sir Roger Wallin
Activities Coordinator
and an
awesome bowler.



BRANCH 59 Member Information

-Big Jim--Continued from Page 1-

We are consistently having 20 to 25 unexcused absences every month which throws off our food count and we, and the caterer, are left with wasted food. If you are not going to make a regularly scheduled meeting, you **MUST CALL OR EMAIL** Sir Ed Guthrie at (510) 659-0498 or edguthrie@comcast.net.

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS

This is an early reminder to all our members that our Christmas Luncheon will be here before you know it. My wife and I are already at work planning for this annual fun gala. We will have Dave Badilla providing his musical talents during the luncheon so you will have the opportunity to do some dancing. We are working on getting an additional special musical surprise for the date. Our caterer will provide us with three entrees; Salmon in a buttery picatta sauce, Chicken Cordon Blu with a creamy garlic sauce, and TriTip roast with a mushroom sauce. The price will be \$22.50 per person, \$45.00 per couple.

As always, I will be depending on our wonderful Sons In Retirement brothers to come through with some great door prizes. I will make available a merchant introduction letter that will make your job easier in trying to get a door prize from our generous area merchants.

I will be updating you on my progress in future Pathfinder articles so save the date, Wednesday, DECEMBER 20th for a wonderful Christmas Luncheon. This event is for our ladies or significant other and we will also provide for our single members that want to come alone so there is no reason for anyone not to attend.

Please send notices of Activities and/or news items to jlsabo3@comcast.net.

Reserve a Table For Christmas

The form to reserve a table for 10 for our Christmas Luncheon will be available at our October Luncheon. This will give those Sirs who wish to no-host a table for 10 an extra month to arrange for their guests. We will start selling tickets at our October and November Luncheon Meetings.

Sir Rob Ingebretson
Social Chairman



A Gift of the Gods

The Elks Lodge is pleased to offer their house wine for \$11.00 per bottle featuring Merlot, Chardonnay and White Zinfandel. They also offer a mini split for \$4.50. Other call wines are available at an increased price.

If you wish to bring your own wine there is a \$10.00 corkage fee.

Super Senior Joe Markovich



A Very Generous Lunch Plate



Guest Speaker Lisa Faria joins song leader Sir Bob Benya in a medley of show tunes.

Christmas Luncheon Menu

Entree Choices



Beef

Tri Tip Roast with
Mushroom Sauce



Chicken

Cordon Blu with a
Creamy Garlic Sauce



Fish

Salmon with a
Buttery Picatta Sauce

Entree Price
\$ 22.50



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Pathfinder will be Thursday a week
after the monthly luncheon meeting.

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1978 Harry Cooper*
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1980 Larry Varblow*
1981 Guido Milano*
1982 Alex Fulton*
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