



# The Pathfinder

Branch Number 59

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## MEETING-Fremont Elks Lodge-Wednesday-March 21, 2018-Social Hour 11AM



### Big Sir Harvey's Thoughts

March means shamrock, shillelaghs, leprechauns and a whole lot of green. More corned beef and cabbage and green beer is consumed than any other month. This month will be called GREEN WEDNESDAY, green is the preferred dress attire. I am trying to get a keg of green beer for your enjoyment. Let's all pretend to be Irish and if you are Irish just be yourself.

Jerry Sabo has resigned as a director do to his involvement with state SIR. Sir Larry Lardie was nominated and voted to replace Jerry. We want to thank you for your years of service to branch 59.

Sir Rob Ingebrerson is considering a country western theme for the May spouses luncheon. One member who wishes to remain anonymous, contributed \$1000 to support the May luncheon. Buy your tickets early and get donations for raffle drawings.



### Guest Speaker Steven Promes Fremont Fire Department

He is a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation firefighter with the City of Fremont Fire Department (FFD) as a captain, his grandfather and father both retired as captain's with Oakland and Fremont Fire Departments.

He is currently assigned to Engine 55, which is also part of FFD's Special Operations Task Force. In addition is a member FEMA's California Task Force 4 Urban Search and Rescue Team (CATF-4) as a Logistics Manager, FEMA's Incident Support Team and the Eastbay Incident Management Team (EBIMT) which is comprised of fire department personnel from Alameda and Contra Costa County Fire Department's.



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**Menu--Dina's Catering**  
Corned Beef and Garlic Chicken  
Red Potatoes and Vegetables  
Chocolate Mousse

**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.

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](mailto:edguthrie@comcast.net)



# SIR Branch 59 BEC Minutes, February 21, 2018

## Branch 59 Officers

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Roger Wallin- Activities  
Ron Brutvan-Membership  
Sammy Lum-Publicity

**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**



Assistant Secretary Peter Angeles.

Meeting was called to order at 10:08 am by Big Sir Harvey McAninch and the flag salute and roll call of Officers and Directors was conducted. All Officers and Directors were present except

Treasurer's Report and BEC Minutes:  
Sir Hugh Twomey reported that Branch finances are in good shape with a cash balance of \$3564.43 on February 21, 2018. The Treasurer's report and Minutes of the January meeting and were approved.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Membership:

Sir Ron Brutvan reported that there will be no new members today. A potential member is scheduled for orientation and a first-time guest is expected. One member has returned to active status and unfortunately one member has passed away.

### Attendance

Sir Ed Guthrie reported the expected lunch attendance to be 115.

### Birthdays

Sir Forrest Lusher is the oldest at 101 and Sir Stephen Francis is the youngest at 72.

### ACTIVITIES

Sir Roger Wallin discussed two new activities that he is working on. One would be at the Silliman Swim Center in Newark after remodeling is completed. The other would be Bocce Ball at the Elks when construction is complete. More details later after those facilities are available.

## NEW BUSINESS

Big Sir Harvey McAninch commented on Form 27. Branch 59 membership is just barely keeping ahead of attrition. However, the need to bring new members, especially the younger ones, into active participation in the operation of Branch 59 was reemphasized.

Sir Rob Ingebretson is considering a Country Western theme for the May Sweetheart Luncheon. One member, who wishes to remain anonymous, contributed \$1000 to support the Luncheon.

Sir Jerry Sabo resigned from the BEC to make room for a board new member. The BEC approved the nomination of Sir Larry Lardie to the BEC as a new Director.

Big Sir Harvey McAninch announced he is organizing a Hawaiian Cruise for late October.

“There is a new requirement from SIRINC to have our caterer sign Form 64 Insurance Provisions For Sons In Retirement. The caterer will be contacted to resolve the issue.”

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 am.

Secretary Jerry Robertson

Happy St Patrick's Day!



**MEMBERSHIP, ATTENDANCE**  
by Sir Ron Brutvan, Sir Ed Guthrie

**Attendance Report**

**New Members/Guests**

**Membership Report**



**Sir Ed Guthrie**  
**Attendance Chairman**

Attendance Report 2/21/2018

Members	109=70 %
Guests	3
Visitors	2
Total	114
Excused	27
<b>Unexcused</b>	<b>20</b>

**New Members**

Kasey Warner

**Sponsor**

Transfer Br. 6

**Guests (2nd time)**

Carl Blincoe

Sammy Lum

**Guests (1st time)**

Wayne Smith

Alan Kenney

Bob Compton

Bill Briscoe

**Visitors**

Bob Fuchslin



**Sir Ron Brutvan**  
**Membership Chairman**

**Change of Status**

To Active

# 102

Don Lessard

Deceased

# 267

Charles Linzey  
2/18/2018

**Membership Report**

2/21/2018

Active Members	156
Inactive Members	20



**Sir Sammy Lum**  
**Birthday Chairman**

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

**March Birthdays**

Alvin Dockter	93
Lyle Kingery	92
Robert Benya	87
Carlie Houseworth	87
Nathaniel Lord, Jr.	83
Howard Thompson	82
S. Edward Barnes	82
Richard Lightholder	80
Gary Bennett	79
John Prior	78
Richard Bowers	76
Donald Lessard	71



**Guest speaker Penny Vittoria gave an excellent presentation about "Successful Aging". Her slides are on our website.**



**Have you found your photo on our website? If it's not there make sure you get your photo taken by our photographer, Bruce Roberts.**





# SIR BRANCH 59 ACTIVITIES

## Strikes and Spares by Sir John Pesek



Earlier this month the bowling scores were not so good, with only four 200 games in three weeks of bowling. Sir Don Henry 232, and a 213, Sir Gary Bennett 211 and Sir Frank Cordova 201. BUT the week before the big tournament, which is coming up next week, we had six 200 games. Sir Don Henry continued his stellar bowling with games of 214 and 201 and a three game series

of 607. Sir Miguel Ferras led all bowlers with a high score of 218, Sir Garry Bennett 213, Sir Ron Hamro 211 and Sir Frank Cordova 206.

On March 5, 2018, Branch 59 Monday Bowling will host the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Chuck Pereira Bowling Tournament at Cloverleaf Family Bowl. We expect to have about 35 bowlers, double what we usually have on a regular Monday bowling meeting. I will report the results in next month Strikes and Spares as the Pathfinder went to press before the tournament.

We always have room for more bowlers in our group. Usually 15 to 18 bowlers show up on Monday to bowl. There is no team commitment, nor a penalty if you can't make it. Coffee is hot and free. The companionship is warm and abundant. 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 \$15 to bowl 3 games. We normally finish before 3:00 P. M.



**Newly appointed Director--Sir Larry Lardie**

## Golf Notes by Sir Dave Shideler



It's already March and we are still dodging the cold, wet, and wind at our golf courses, not to mention the mud and "CART PATH ONLY" mandates that many of our group have avoided by staying home. Warmer weather will be here soon! I make the tee-times weekly so please let me know if you plan to play when it warms up. You can do this by emailing me at

Dpspanky@att.net.

At our most recent SIR luncheon the Speakers' subject was "aging". This concept fits perfectly with the SIR activities programs which golf is a major part. If you are sitting around with the "remote" and want to get active then consider golf or the bowling group. We always welcome new Sirs.

SIR State Golf news can be found at [www.sirinc.org](http://www.sirinc.org). The next tournament is April 23-24, 2018 in Napa. I have been reminded to remind all of our NCGA members to post their scores.

### One of the many "pace of play" tips.

Don't wait in the cart while your cartmate hits and then drive to your ball. Get out and walk to your ball with a few clubs. Be ready to play when it is your turn and let your cartmate pick you up. Or, drive to your ball after you drop your cartmate off and then pick him up after you hit.

Fairways and greens,

Dave Shideler



## CYBERGEEZER MEETING

*Cyber Geezers*—we usually meet on the Tuesday following our monthly SIR Luncheon. Our next meeting will be held on March 27th 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](mailto:jlsabo3@comcast.net) Topics for February included continued discussion of password management such as Google and LastPass. We also went thru many of the suggested steps for PC troubleshooting using the Device Manager, and startup using F8 and F10--other recovery methods.

Topics for March have yet to be determined at this writing, but suspect there will be more discussion regarding Password Managers such as LastPass.

**Please send notices of Activities and/or news items to [jlsabo3@comcast.net](mailto:jlsabo3@comcast.net).**

## 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 Joe Stanley 510-487-7751 or email --[JOESTAN@MAC.COM](mailto:JOESTAN@MAC.COM)**

### 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 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 Jim Ulam 510-797-9357 or email [TIME4GOLF@SNAKEBITE.COM](mailto:TIME4GOLF@SNAKEBITE.COM)

## “Dealers Lunch Bunch”

Next poker lunch scheduled for March 26th (FOURTH Monday of the month)

**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.

## You can get your Pathfinder at:

<http://sirbranch59.org>

Comments, photos for site etc. email to:

[sirbranch59@gmail.com](mailto:sirbranch59@gmail.com)



**Do you have new Activity suggestions?**

Contact:  
Sir Roger Wallin  
Activities Coordinator

## News Items

### Bocce Ball

Limber up those bocce arms because we are going to be forming teams (hopefully this year!) to play on the soon-to-be-built Elks Lodge courts!

Elks Lodge is planning on putting in bocce courts this year and we have been invited to use them during week days! Maybe we can persuade them to open the bar, too, so SIR Branch 59 can have a rollicking good time pitching bocce with each other!

Stay tuned for further details and keep those arms limber.



*Big Sir Harvey has stated that it will be "Green" at our next meeting.*

*Save the date –Wednesday May 16<sup>th</sup>  
Sweetheart Luncheon*

### WESTERN JAMBOREE

*I will be selling tickets to our May Sweetheart Luncheon at both the MARCH and APRIL luncheons. I will be located in the back of the dining area. Forms to reserve a table for 10 will be available. I ask that if you are paying by check that you have it made out in advance and payable to SIR BRANCH 59. The price for the tickets are; \$22.50/person or \$45.00/couple. The menu will be;*

**BEEF** – Tri Tip Roast with a mushroom sauce  
**POULTRY** – Chicken Keiv in a light champagne sauce

**FISH** – Salmon with a light garlic lemon sauce

**VEGETARIAN** – Eggplant Parmesan

*So get out those cowboy hats, levis, and bandanas...*

**NO GUNS PLEASE !!!**

*Your Host,  
Sir Rob Ingebretson*

*\* Please return the reservation form with  
your payment \**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Badge # \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

*Entrée Selection (if different, select one for each person)*

\_\_\_ Tri Tip Roast

\_\_\_ Chicken Keiv

\_\_\_ Salmon

\_\_\_ Eggplant Parmesan

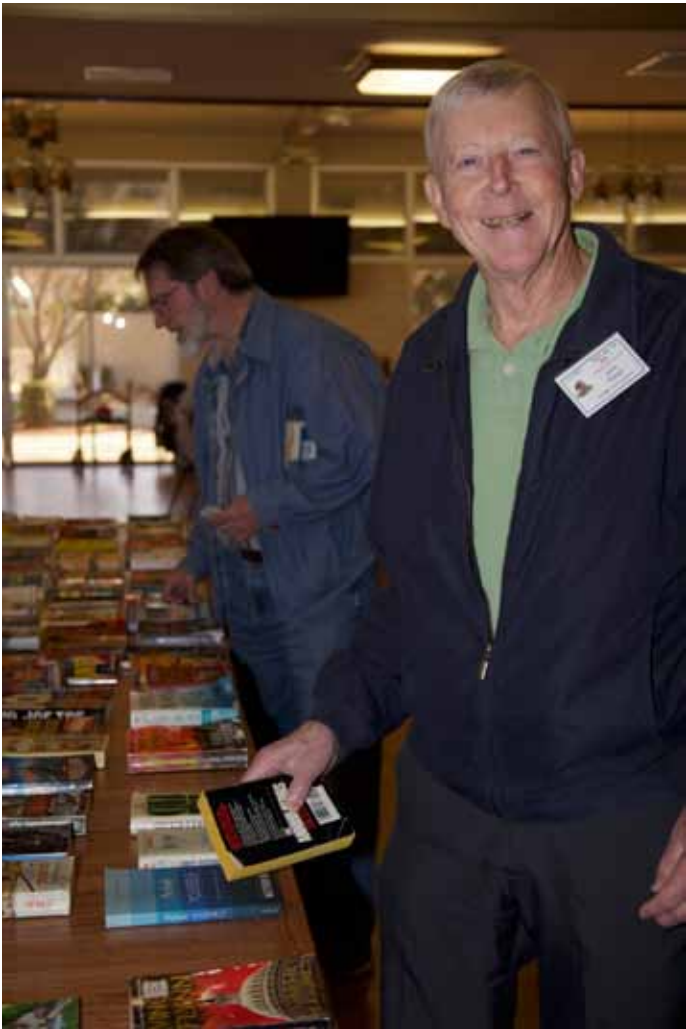
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- 1976 Peter Clark\*
- 1977 Karl Heine\*
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- 1979 Kenneth Foster\*
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- 1981 Guido Milano\*
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- 1997 Nat Lord
- 1998 John Buchanan\*
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- 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
- 2014 Rob Ingebretson
- 2015 Skip Mugford
- 2016 Jim Ulam
- 2017 Jim Ulam
- \*(deceased)

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