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SUNNYVALE
BRANCH # 62



The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of
Sunnyvale Branch #62

Meets on the third Thursday of the month
Sunnyvale Elks Lodge
375 N Pastoria

A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men
Devoted to the Promotion of Independence
and Dignity in Retirement

April 2012

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ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

If you do not attend three (3) consecutive meetings without a suitable excuse, or if you fail to attend seven (7) meetings within the last twelve (12) months, you may be dropped from the membership. The later rule applies even though you may have reported your absences to the Attendance Committee. You can attend another Branch's Luncheon as a make up for missing our Luncheon

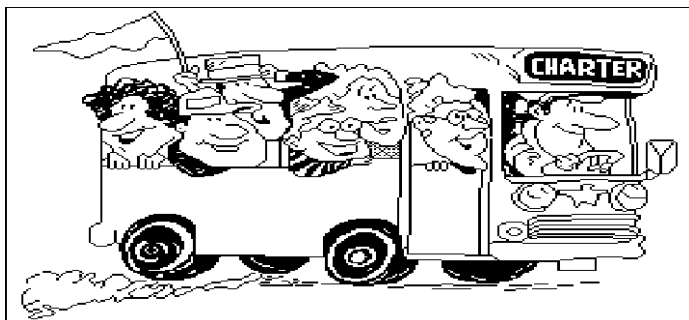
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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
 MEMBERSHIP FOR MARCH 15, 2012**

ATTENDING	90
GUESTS.....	02
TRANSFERRED IN	00
TRANSFERRED OUT (PAST MONTH).....	00
RESIGNED.....	00
DECEASED.....	00
INACTIVE.....	12
RETURNED FROM INACTIVE	00
INDUCTED THIS MONTH	00
WAITING	Byung Lee01
MEMBERSHIP	116

Travel, continued from p.9.
Fleet Week – October 7, 2012 (1 day) – We will board the Celebration on the Bay motor launch in Jack London Square for a 3 to 4 hour day on the bay. Cost will be \$160 per person and include round trip bus from VTA parking lot and a catered lunch while we view the Fleet Week air show (Blue Angels). Contact Jim or Roy for questions or to sign up.
SF Giants – August 2, 2012 (1 day) – SIR Day at the Giants. Details are currently being defined. Contact Jim or Roy for questions or to sign up.



SIR TRAVEL - BRANCH 62

Escorts: Jim Hohenshelt (408-394-7226 or 408-241-4421) and Roy Jordan (408-735-8765).

Golden Gate Fields – April 20, 2012 (1 day) SIR is hosting another race day at Golden Gate Fields. Transportation to the track is not included but price does include admission to the Turf Club, buffet lunch, daily program, valet parking, and the best in thoroughbred horse racing. Cost is \$30. A commitment is required by April 10, 2012. Contact Jim or Roy to attend.

Paris, Rhone River, and Provence – September 1 to 14, 2012 (14 days) – Trip Presentation, April 18, 10 AM at Mama Mia's (call for directions). A Uniworld representative, who just returned from this trip, will provide firsthand knowledge of the unique features of the trip. Refreshments will be served. The trip will start with a flight from SFO to Marseille (France). We then take a motor coach to Arles where we board the Uniworld 5-star rated cruise ship, the "River Royale". The next 8 days (7 nights) we cruise the Rhone and Saone Rivers, with stops and day tours in Avignon, Viviers, Tournon, Lyon, and Chalon sur Saone. After disembarkation at Chalon sur Saone, we board the TGV (Bullet Train) to Paris. We have 5 nights in Paris at a luxury hotel within ¼ mile of the Eiffel Tower. Our first 2 post-cruise days will include a full day guided tour of Versailles followed by a full day guided tour of Paris (highlighted by the Louvre, the Cathedral of Notre Dame, the Arc de Triomphe, the Opera, the Madeleine, the Champ Elsysees, and the Eiffel Tower). Our last 2 full days in Paris are open, but with a bus and guide at our disposal. We (inputs encouraged) will decide which attractions we will visit (or revisit) those last 2 days. The cost is \$7248 to \$7571 pp, depending on the cabin category, including air fare, transfers, accommodations, taxes, most meals (all breakfasts), the Versailles Tour, and the Paris City Tour. The Paris extension can be deleted for a saving of \$1100. For questions or a brochure, call Jim or Roy. **Continued on p. 10.**

Luncheon Menu

For April 19, 2012

Pork Tenderloin or Shrimp Salad

Ordering Salad:

Call Harvey McAninch by 6PM Sunday before the meeting.

Permanent Salad List:

If you are on this list, you must call if you will NOT attend the luncheon by 6PM Sunday before the meeting. If you fail to call two consecutive times you will be taken off the list.

All salads are made to order.

Attendance:

If you cannot attend a luncheon, you must call Harvey McAninch, no later than 6PM Sunday before the meeting. Harvey McAninch, 408 984-5305, hakaprop@comcast.net.

Sick Call:

Please report illnesses of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Mal Hopkins, 720-0849.

Rooster:

If you do not receive the "Rooster" by mail by the 10th of the month, please call John McGuire 248-4620. If you have not received the "Rooster" by e-mail, let John McGuire know by e-mail at jpmcguiresr@aol.com.

BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!

BE ACTIVE!!.. HAVE FUN!!..



*From Our
Big Sir
Phil Thomas*

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the Corned Beef and Cabbage and the free Beer at the March meeting. For those who missed the meeting, you missed a very informative Speaker who talked on the subject of Alzheimer's Disease. Before we could conclude the meeting, William Fisher was attacked by several members who had an abundance of questions to ask him. Great presentation! Keep up the great work, Gene! This makes the meeting well worth attending.

We were blessed with three prospective members brought to us by John Shields, Bill Merg, and Bob Casho. This is just what we need to sustain the membership in our Branch. I would personally like to thank John, Bill, and Bob for their outstanding effort!

I will be posting a list of activities to the bulletin board at every meeting to see if there is interest in going forward as formal activities for our Branch. Please see me if you are interested in any of them.

I would like to thank Henry Crossfield for stepping up and taking on the position of Co-Chairman for the 9-Hole Golf.

We now have a Poker club activity with the first session taking place after our March meeting. I'm looking forward to joining the group and hopefully others will too.

After some lengthy arm wrestling, I have turned over the assignment of creating our Branch 62 Website to Harvey McAninch who is taking a class in Webpage creating and now has the software to get started. (Whew, I thought I was never going to get out from underneath that task.)

A member complained that someone had reserved a whole table for the March meeting. I would like to believe that seating is on a first come first served basis. I don't want to discourage anyone from wanting to sit together but I would like to encourage members to sit with someone who may be new to get to know them better and certainly make them feel at home.

Don't forget Crazy Shirt day at the July meeting.

Last but not least don't forget to bring your neighbor, ex-coworker, friend and/or relative to visit our next luncheon. We want them to experience the same fun and camaraderie our members have at the luncheons.

Your Big Sir,
Phil Thomas

The Statesmen SIR Bowling

<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>
Bob Byers 408 736-2958	Jim Long 408 735-9362	Dave Jeong 650 493 9132	Leon Kowaleski 408 446-1129

Homestead Lanes March 2012



Notable Scores for the Season

Scratch Series	Steve Bishop 688
Scratch Game	Bob Hebson 289
Handicap Series	Dave Jeong 809
Handicap Game	Lee Wriglesworth 322



Homestead Lanes Week 27 of 35

Team 10: The Kings, consisting of Van Dietz, Earl Blakely & Steve Bishop, are on top with 70 wins and 38 losses to date.

SIR Area Tournaments

Apr 16-19 Gold Dust West at Carson City (530) 622-6379

Apr 28-30 Knotty Pine at Pollock Pines (530) 644-4418

Don't sit at home and be a Turkey!

We need Bowlers!

Bob Byers

SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

We had a meeting of about 15 members after 12 played the round at Santa Clara. Two members from SIR #35 joined us (Bob Garten and Ron Grace). They are officers of the SIR #35 golfing program and were very clear in explaining how things worked. I verified that to join their golf outings, it would be necessary to pay another \$36 to the NCGA – not a SIR #35 requirement, but the NCGA’s.

We did reach consensus about how to plan golf for SIR #62. It was agreed that players would sign up to do one or two months of the planning. This would involve calling courses to get 3 times for each week, being at the course to get groups organized and award any prizes that they may choose to put in place.

I will continue to be treasurer, handicap chairman, and secretary. I will support the tournament directors by updating the handicap information monthly and providing tee sheets for them to use at the course if they want them.

So far there are volunteers for all remaining months this year except September and October. If we don’t get volunteers, there won’t be any golf planned. John Brownie is setting up April as shown below.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr 2 Spring Valley
- Apr 9 Santa Clara
- Apr 16 San Jose
- Apr 23 Spring Valley
- Apr 30 Santa Clara - 9:00 shotgun Regional \$55

Paul Goodwin
408-739-5254

AWAYCHAIR9@HOTMAIL.COM

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

DAVID ASHBY.....	03
PAUL GOODWIN.....	03
BOB BYERS.....	08
EARL BLAKELY.....	11
FRANK QUINN.....	14
DARL SPENCER.....	19
BOB CONNELL.....	22
HAROLD THIEDE.....	24

THIS MONTH’S SPEAKER

Professor Mark Larson from Santa Clara University will speak on the “History of the Motion Picture Industry”

ROOSTER E-MAIL UPDATE

If you are receiving the print edition of the Rooster but would prefer the email edition, please send your email address to John McGuire at jpmcguiresr@aol.com.

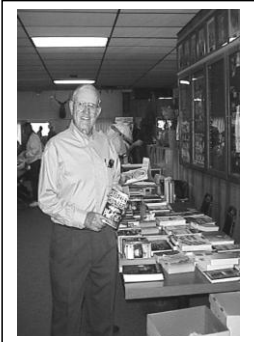
Because of the increased e-mail subscriptions, we have less frequent need for the Bucket Brigade Collections at our meetings. Congratulations!



**Property Tax
Due on
April 10th.**

**Income Tax
Filing due on
April 16th.**

BOOK SWAP



Recycle those books that you have enjoyed. Bring them to the luncheon and place them on the table at the entrance. Help yourself to one or two and enjoy! We would appreciate any "Large Print" books you may have. Happy Reading!

" R&B" 9 Hole Golf

Tom Birley and Henry Crossfield, Chairmen

February 22

CTP: Tom Birley—19'-6"

Low Net: 1 Bob Garry (27), 2 Tom Birley, Walt Strach (29)

Birdies/Chip-ins: Gene Bunzel -C, Jay Villareal C/B

February 29

Rainout

March 7

CTP: Tom Birley---36'-7"

Low Net: 1 Larry Scott (22), 2 Walt Strach (25),
3. Bob Garry (27)

Birdies/Chip-ins: Larry Scott (B), Joe DeRoche (B)

March 14

Rainout

Help Wanted!

Someone to help or alternate with managing the Branch 62 Roster on a monthly basis. Should be somewhat comfortable with (or willing to learn) managing the Roster data base in Excel. Also plan on attending monthly executive committee meetings before the SIR luncheon meeting.

Reply to George Bower, 650-941-3164 or
georgebower@comcast.net