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# 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

**February 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

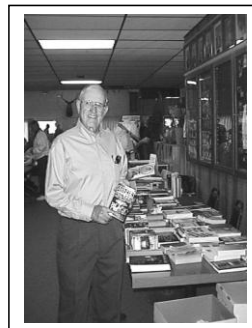
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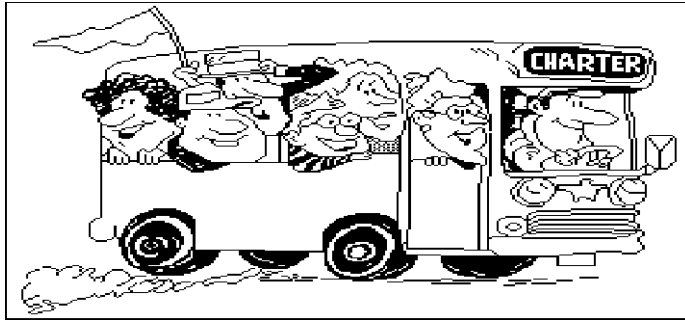
**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT  
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT  
 MEMBERSHIP FOR JANUARY 19, 2012**

ATTENDING .....	90
GUESTS.....	02
TRANSFERRED IN .....	00
TRANSFERRED OUT (PAST MONTH).....	00
RESIGNED.....	00
DECEASED.....Lee Rogers, #301 .....	01
INACTIVE.....	12
RETURNED FROM INACTIVE .....	00
INDUCTED THIS MONTH .....	00
WAITING ....., Byung Lee .....	01
MEMBERSHIP .....	117

**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!



## 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/person. Contact Jim or Roy to attend.

**Paris, Rhone River, and Provence – September 1 to 14, 2012 (14 days)** – After our SFO to Marseille (France) flight, we 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 near 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 \$7517 pp, depending on the cabin category, including air fare, transfers, accommodations, taxes, most (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.

**Fleet Week – October 7, 2012 (1 day)** – Trip will include bus to Jack London Square to board the Celebration on the Bay motor launch for a day on the bay (catered lunch) to view the Fleet Week air show (Blue Angels). Details and costs are being finalized.

**Kauai Golf and Tour – November, 2012 (12 days)** – We will be staying in luxury condos on Kalapaki Beach and playing golf every other day, a total of 5 rounds. On alternate days we will tour the island to see Kauai’s unique attractions such as Waimea Canyon, the Na Pali Coast, Spouting Horn, and Hanalei. This is some of the most unique scenery in the world. Price includes air fare, accommodations, Kauai transportation, scenic tours, all breakfasts, several meals, and golf at 5 different quality courses. This is a group trip that has not been done before and is being considered because Jim just returned from Kauai and thought others might also enjoy the experience. Costs will be \$5000 pp. This will be our first attempt at a golf trip and it will be limited to 12 people. Contact Jim ASAP if you are interested.

## Luncheon Menu

For February 16, 2012

### Chicken Cordon Bleu *or* Chicken Caesar 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](mailto: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](mailto:jpmcguiresr@aol.com)

***BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!***

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



*From Our  
Big Sir  
Phil Thomas*

Happy Valentine's Day. Don't forget that special someone on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

It was a sorrowful moment when we heard that Lee Rogers passed away at his home. His contribution to our Branch 62 will be greatly missed. He was active in 9-hole golf, Bowling, the Newsletter, and a good source of information pertaining to SIR. I know I will greatly miss him.

Don't forget that the Luncheon Meals go up to \$17 this month. It seems that about every other year the price goes up a buck. There are other branches paying more for their lunches so I guess we can't complain. Another reminder, the state SIR Committee has arranged for a SIR Day at the San Francisco Giants stadium to be held on Thursday, August 2, 2012. Game time is at 12:45 on that day and the opponents are The Mets. Please contact Jim Hohenshelt or Roy Jordan to get your names in to obtain tickets.

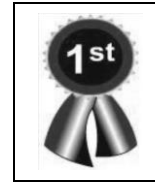
We are losing our Photographer, Charlie Gray, in the next couple of months after 14 years as our photographer. He has done an excellent job for us obtaining photos of the newly inducted members, Speaker awards and any special functions we have. I am happy to announce his replacement, Phil Rossignol.

For some time now, we have not had a Recruitment Chairman for our Branch. I am very pleased to announce that John Shields has accepted that position. Ron Olson has volunteered to be the alternate. This is important to me as should it be to the rest of the membership of this branch in that it is imperative that we recruit new members to keep our branch from dwindling due to attrition. I'll be getting with John and Ron to establish a plan to recruit new members.

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  
January 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 20**

1st place—Presidents, Art Bedford, Joe Vivona, Mal Hopkins, Tom Birley.  
2nd place—Deans, Frank Blefari, Paul Blefari, Phil Thomas, Ron Olson  
3rd place—Sultans, Al Delfino, Bob Byers, Lee Wriglesworth (Lee Wriglesworth had a score of 289)

### **Sir Area Tournaments**

Jan 30, Feb 1 Napa Bowl at Sonoma  
Feb 14,15 Granada Bowl at Livermore (925) 447 7051  
Mar. 5-7 Boulevard Bowl at Petaluma (707) 762-3083

A big thank you Al Delfino for helping out with the Treasurer's duties once again as Leon Kowaleski recovers from an accident.

**We need bowlers!!**



*Bob Byers*

## SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

The new year got off to a good start with 12 players at San Jose and 11 at Palo Alto. Winners were Paul Goodwin and John Brownie. Based on the sign-ups for the coming rounds, that attendance looks to be the norm. I am identifying the courses for the next 4-5 weeks and will get 3 times starting between 9 and 10:30.

This year, those who wish, can contribute \$2 to the kitty for the round of low net competition. The format will vary, if I have the cards and can put the pops in beforehand. Winners will get half the kitty and the balance will be split so we come out 50-30-20% or as near as possible given whole dollars and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place gets a minimum of \$3.

Only one rule – you have to stick around until the last scores are in if you want your prize money. If you leave before the money is ready to hand out, the prizes bump down to the next place who is present. Closest to the pin winners will be paid off with golf balls to the people who are in the prize pool.

2011 prize distributions were made at the Jan lunch as shown below. I have your money and will give it to you at the course or mail it at the end of the month.

	points	winnings
Pope, Richard	158	\$91
Sousa, George	91	\$53
McDonough, Thom	83	\$48
Waldman, Mel	77	\$44
Goodwin, Paul D	69	\$40
Brownie, John	49	\$28
Jenkins, Don H	45	\$26
Dieckman, John	37	\$21

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 6 Spring Valley      Feb 13 Santa Clara      Feb 20 Deep Cliff  
 Feb 27 Los Positas – Regional 9:30 shotgun - \$45

Paul Goodwin  
 408-739-5254  
 867 Trenton Dr. Sunnyvale 94087  
[AWAYCHAIR9@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:AWAYCHAIR9@HOTMAIL.COM)

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

HOWARD HAYES.....	01
FRANK BLEFARI.....	02
DON AUKER.....	06
WARREN DUNN.....	06
BOB HEBSON.....	06
AL CARDONA.....	09
ED MOSKALIK.....	11
TOM BIRLEY.....	13
LEON KOWALESKI.....	14
RUSS KOHLRUST.....	15
ROGER FALBERG.....	20
JAY SMOLIK.....	24

## **THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER**

We will hear from Mario Marcel of the City of San Jose, representing the Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force

## **ROOSTER E-MAIL UPDATE**

Latest count! 75 Sirs are receiving the Rooster via e-mail. Savings: \$75.00 this month. Over half of our membership has now subscribed to the e-mail edition. Because of the increased e-mail subscriptions, we have less frequent need for the Bucket Brigade Collections at our meetings. Congratulations!

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

The master e-mail list for mailing out the Rooster was on Lee Rogers' computer and we have been unable to retrieve it. Could those of you receiving the Newsletter by e-mail or those of you who wish to receive it kindly notify Jim Mellenger at [pars4jim@netscape.net](mailto:pars4jim@netscape.net) of your current e-mail address? Thank you for your cooperation.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**20 YEAR**

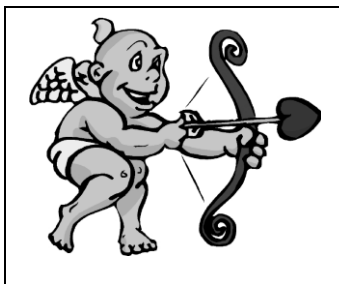
**William Brewington**

**15 YEAR**

**Jim Byrne**

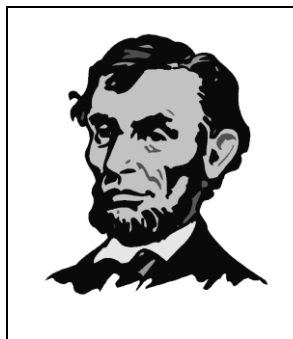
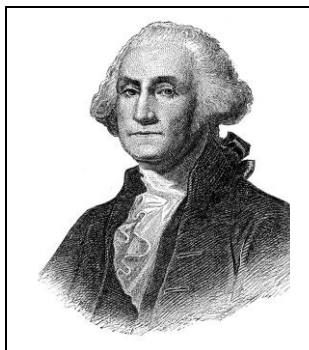
**5 YEARS**

**Tom Prebel**



*Happy Valentine's  
Day*

*February 14th*



*Presidents' Day February 20th*

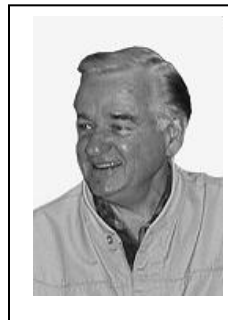
**"R&B" 9 Hole Golf**

Tom Birley, Chairman

No report this month.

Look for more information next month.

**IN MEMORIAM**



Lee Rogers was born Aug.23, 1930 and passed away Jan 7, 2012. He joined SIR in 1995. Lee enjoyed golf, photography, and bowling. He became the editor for The Rooster, in 1998 and continued to serve in that capacity until his passing.

Lee helped and cooked for us at the June Branch Picnics since 2005. He also took on the Chairmanship for the 9-Hole Golf Program in 2006 and served until January 2012. Lee was good, loyal friend to many and will be missed by all in SIR Branch 62.