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BRANCH # 62**



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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

March 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

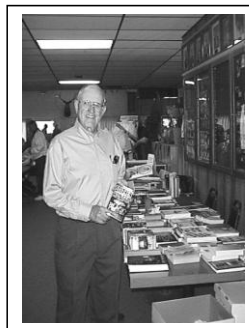
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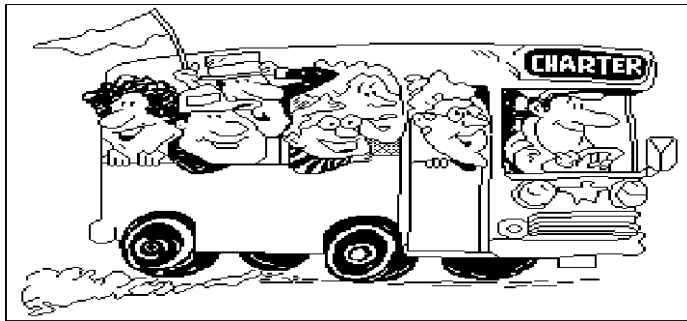
**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
MEMBERSHIP FOR FEBRUARY 16, 2012**

ATTENDING	90
GUESTS.....	02
TRANSFERRED IN	00
TRANSFERRED OUT (PAST MONTH).....	00
RESIGNED.....	00
DECEASED.....Elwood Brown ..	01
INACTIVE.....	11
RETURNED FROM INACTIVE	00
INDUCTED THIS MONTH	00
WAITING	Byung Lee
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. Contact Jim or Roy to attend.

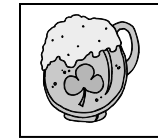
Paris, Rhone River, and Provence – September 1 to 14, 2012 (14 days) – After our SFO to Marseille (France) flight, we take a motor coach to Arles where we board the UniWorld 5 star rated cruise ship, the “River Royale”. The next 8 days (7 nights) we cruise the Rhone and Saone Rivers, with stops and day 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 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.

Fleet Week – October 7, 2012 (1 day) – We will board the Celebration on the Bay motor launch in Jack London Square for a day on the bay. Cost will be \$160/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.

Luncheon Menu

For March 15, 2012

Corned Beef & Cabbage or Leprechan (Chef) Salad



Free Beer !

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, haka**prop**@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*

Happy Saint Patrick's Day. Don't forget we will have beer for the meeting, hopefully green in color.

We had another member leave us last month. Elwood Brown passed away and we will miss him.

We are still looking for an Activities Chairman to expand our branch activities. I envision his responsibilities will include establishing an activity with participation from at least 2 or more members. Once established we will add that activity to our newsletter for further publicity and recruitment. If you are interested please see me at the meeting.

If anyone is interested in assisting or chairing the Nine Hole Golf please let Tom Birley or myself know.

Don't forget we have an upcoming SIR Day at the San Francisco Giants stadium to be held on Thursday, 2 August 2012. Game time is at 12:45 on that day. Please contact Jim Hohenshelt or Roy Jordan to get your names in to obtain tickets.

I know I have been saying this for about a year now that I will put together a Branch 62 Web Site but I have now started the task and hope to have something put together by next month.

Please 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 Winter 2012 edition of SIR Happenings
has just been posted on the SIR website:
<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>**

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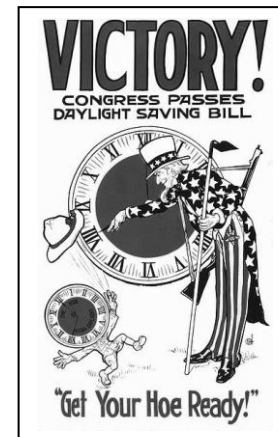
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Homestead Lanes 2012



WE NEED BOWLERS!

Bob Byers
408 736-2958



**Daylight Savings Time
begins March 11th**

SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

The new process of awarding the cash prizes at the end of the round is working well. There has been a different winner in every round so far. While \$2 sweeps does not make for a huge set of prizes, it adds a little spark to the competition.

As I announced at the luncheon, I will be retiring as tournament chairman for SIR #62. I will continue as handicap chairman and take sign-ups for NCGA memberships and any other tasks that need interfacing with our big brother. I will plan and direct tournaments through the end of March for our small group.

Starting in April, I will join the SIR #35 Golf Program. They play on Mondays and have a very wide ranging set of courses they play – something for everyone. Basically, one signs up for the coming month and writes one check with a note for all the games you wish to play. The times, rules, procedure, schedule, etc is all on Yahoo Groups website.

At the lunch, I handed out copies of the schedule and procedures to those who were interested. If you didn't get one and will e-mail me at the address below, I can send you one. As of this writing, I am not certain how the transition to SIR #35 will take place. Stay tuned...

I am glad to have had the chance to meet so many Sirs during my tenure. It made the effort rewarding and fun. I want to thank all of you for your support (and understanding when I messed up).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 5 Santa Clara
- Mar 12 Santa Teresa
- Mar 19 Sky West
- Mar 26 Ridgemark-Gabilan 8:30 Shotgun \$45 Regional

Paul Goodwin
408-739-5254
AWAYCHAIR9@HOTMAIL.COM

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Joe	Aboussleman	Mar-25
Wally	Anderson	Mar-19
John	Brownie	Mar-03
Don	Coletti	Mar-07
Norm	Cote	Mar-13
Joe	DeRoche	Mar-27
Bob	Fair	Mar-14
Roy	Jordan	Mar-14
Bill	Merg	Mar-15
Jerry	Nieto	Mar-31
John	Steele	Mar-25

THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER

Our Speaker this month will be William Fisher, Chief Executive Officer of The Alzheimer's Association of Northern California and Northern Nevada. He will talk about Alzheimer's disease, its symptoms and warning signs, how it affects victims and how it impacts both families and care givers. In addition, he will discuss the efforts being taken by the Alzheimer's Association to help combat this terrible disease while assisting its victims and their families.

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!



“ R&B” 9 Hole Golf

Tom Birley Chairman

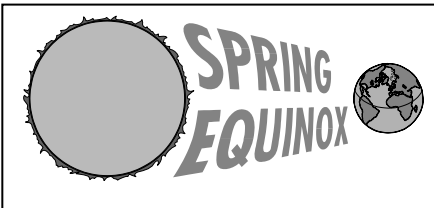
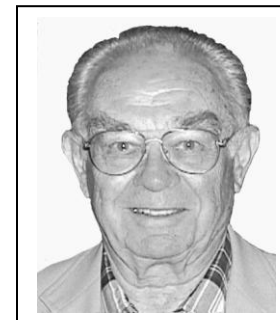
February 8

CTP:
 Low Net: 1 Joe DeRoche, 2 Bob Garry, Jack McNulty, Bob Hebson
 Birdies/Chip-ins: DeRoche(B), Elliot(C), Scott(C)

February 15

CTP: Larry Scott
 Low Net: 1 Larry Scott (25), 2 Bob Garry (26)
 Birdies/Chip-ins: Bunzel(C), Clark(B/C), Elliott(B/C), Hildebrand(B/C)

IN MEMORIAM



Good Bye Winter – Spring starts on March 20th

Fellow Sir Elwood Brown passed away on Jan 30 at the age of 92. He was a long time member of SIR having joined another branch in October 1990 and later transferring into Branch 62. He retired from Lockheed and enjoyed golf, fishing , hiking and photography.