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**INCORPORATED**  
**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

**September 2012**

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Big Sir	Phil Thomas	Asst. Secretary	Alex Fremling
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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 latter 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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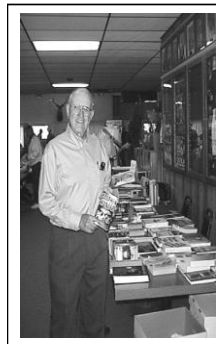
**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT  
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT  
 MEMBERSHIP FOR AUGUST 16, 2012**

ATTENDING .....	78
GUESTS.....	00
TRANSFERRED IN .....	00
TRANSFERRED OUT (PAST MONTH).....	00
RESIGNED.....	01
DECEASED.....	00
INACTIVE.....	11
RETURNED FROM INACTIVE .....	00
INDUCTED THIS MONTH .....	00
MEMBERS IN PROCESS.....	00
MEMBERSHIP .....	116

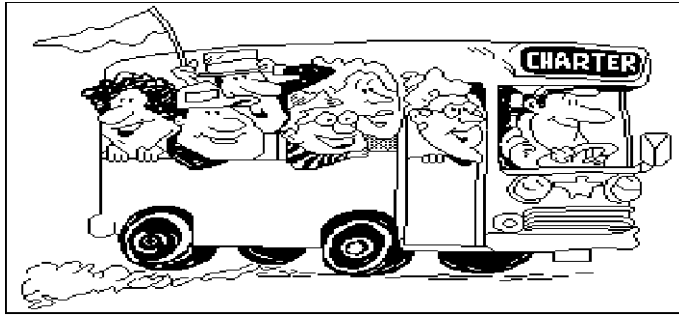
**ROOSTER E-MAIL UPDATE**

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](mailto:jpmcguiresr@aol.com). Because of the increased e-mail subscriptions, we have less frequent need for the Bucket Brigade Collections at our meetings. Congratulations!

**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).**

**Oct. 5 & Oct. 7, 2012 - Day on the Bay** 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/person and include round trip bus from VTA parking lot and a catered lunch while we view the Fleet Week air show (Blue Angels). This trip has filled up on both days, but we have a waiting list. If interested, call escorts Jim or Roy.

**Golden Gate Fields - October 19, 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.

**July 10 to 28, 2013 ♦ Baltic Cruise: London to St. Petersburg and back** ♦ We transfer to SFO, fly to London and transfer to Southampton to board the Crown Princess for a 14 day cruise of the North and Baltic Seas. We call at Oslo, Norway with its rich Viking history; Gothenburg, Sweden with cobblestone streets and a wonderful coastline and archipelago; Tallinn, Estonia, remarkably unchanged since 1154 AD; then a two day call in St Petersburg, Russia, capital of the Tsars and Venice of the North. We continue to Helsinki, Finland, center of Finnish culture and commerce; Stockholm, Sweden, on 14 islands with parks and museums including the 600 room Royal Palace; Copenhagen, Denmark, a fairy tale city with copper green towers, gingerbread houses and cobblestone streets; and Brussels, Belgium whose diverse architecture ranges from medieval to post modern; returning to Southampton for transfer to our flight home. The cost will range from \$3950 for an interior stateroom to \$4795 or \$4890 for a balcony cabin, to \$5445 for a Mini Suite. Prices are per person double occupancy, not including air fare which is not yet available, but use of air line miles is allowed. We are considering a few extra days in and around London (e.g., Stonehenge and Salisbury Castle). For information or a brochure, call Jim or Roy at the numbers listed above.

## **Luncheon Menu**

For September 20, 2012

### **Broiled Chicken Breast *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 or [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 (408) 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*

I would have forgotten who our speaker was for the August meeting if it wasn't for the different route home and the abundance of blueberries I snacked on that night. She had me captivated through the whole presentation. I have personally seen what Dementia and Alzheimer's can do to a person. A well done presentation!

After a lot of arm twisting we now have a candidate for Little Sir for next year. Thank you, Mal Hopkins for graciously stepping up to the task for next year. As Harvey McAninch will tell you, it has been a breeze as Little Sir. Now if I can just get Harvey to finish his job of creating our Branch 62 website before he becomes Big Sir for next year.

John Shields has put together a Membership Survey that I thought was just what the doctor ordered! It's an excellent chance for all the Branch 62 SIR members to tell us what you want to see in the meetings, what you do and don't like, what additional activities you want, and generally any improvements you would like to see happen. I would like to hand the Survey out at our September meeting and get your comments back by the November meeting or sooner. It's your chance to make yourself heard!

I have asked Russ Kohlrust to look at our monthly meeting roster and see who has not been coming to the meetings regularly. Once he has that list, I have asked him to call those individuals and see if there is a reason and whether or not they need to be put on the inactive list. Our monthly luncheon/meeting attendance has been dwindling since the beginning of the year.

I would like to challenge all members to bring one person to our meeting this year. This will be a standing challenge throughout the remainder of the year. We will all be rewarded by the induction of new members into our branch.

See you at the September meeting.

Your Big Sir,  
*Phil Thomas*

<b>The Statesmen SIR Bowling</b>			
<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
Harvey McAninch (408) 984-5305	Jim Long (408) 735-9362	Dave Jeong (650) 493-9132	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

**Homestead Lanes  
September 2012**



**Homestead Lanes Winter League**  
The Summer League has just finished  
and results will soon be published.

We  
Need  
More  
Bowlers!!

Where: Homestead Lanes  
When: September 4<sup>th</sup>  
What Time: 9 AM  
Guarantee to you:  
Fellowship, strikes, spares, opens and all  
kinds of high and low scores.

Harvey McAninch, Little Sir

## SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

Richard Pope is Tournament Coordinator for August. He has scheduled some infrequently visited venues and may have started a new trend of driving a few more minutes to get to a fun course.

Our Big Sir, Phil Thomas, has stepped up for tournament coordinator in September. With his busy schedule, he has managed to schedule in 3 rounds for us. Thanks for all you do, Phil.

I tried to have a meeting after the monthly SIR lunch, but not enough players were able to stay for it. The purpose was to review the 2013 tournament coordinator assignments. I had some feedback which I have incorporated into the draft schedule. The current schedule is as follows:

### 2013 Tournament Coordinators (draft)

Jan	McDonough	May	Brownie	Sep	Sousa
Feb	Pope	June	Thomas	Oct	Birley
Mar	Waldman	July	Simpson	Nov	Jenkins
Apr	Goodwin	Aug	Dieckman	Dec	Goodwin

If you can't be around for your suggested month, try and trade with someone for a month you will be available. If you don't want to do it or don't feel you are able to do it, call me.

### 2012 Tournament Coordinators

September: Phil Thomas; October: Alice Simpson; November: John Dieckman; December: Tom Birley

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 3 Labor day – no golf  
Sep 10 Los Lagos  
Sep 17 Sunnyvale Muni – or - Rancho Canada – Regional  
Sep 24 Deep Cliff

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

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bob Garry	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Herb Eckland	13 <sup>th</sup>
Fred Carlson	4 <sup>th</sup>	Art Bedford	14 <sup>th</sup>
Joe Koval	7 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Pole	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Marv Hirschel	23 <sup>rd</sup>	John McGuire	30 <sup>th</sup>

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY

**10 YEARS**

Berne Surdez

**Congratulations!**

## **BRANCH 62 OFFICERS FOR 2013**

At the September Luncheon Meeting, we will have an election for Branch Officers for 2013. The following candidates have been put forth by the Nominations Committee:

Big Sir: Harvey McAninch  
Little Sir: Mal Hopkins  
Secretary: Art Bedford  
Assistant Secretary: Alex Fremling  
Treasurer: Roger Falberg  
Assistant Treasurer: Joe DeRoche

In addition, we will confirm four Returning Directors and elect two New Directors. These candidates will be named at the meeting.

## SEPTEMBER SPEAKER

Gary Thomas will speak to us on "Nuclear Reactors and Their History". He is a Registered Nuclear Engineer with the State of California and a former employee of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories. He will give us a detailed talk about the workings of a nuclear reactor. Gary will also discuss what happened at the Fukushima Nuclear Reactor site in Japan as a result of the massive 9.0 earthquake and the resulting Tsunami. Finally, he will give us some details about the accident that occurred in 1979 at Three Mile Island Nuclear Plant in Pennsylvania



**AUTUMN BEGINS SEPTEMBER 22**

## R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

The law of physics states: It's easier to get up at 6:00 AM to play golf than at 10:00 AM to mow the yard.

**Henry Crossfield / Tom Birley-Co Chairmen**

### July 25, 2012

CTP (#7): George Sousa 5'-0"

1st Low Net: Fred Carlson 24; 2nd Low Net: Ken Clark, Bill Westmore 25; 3rd Low Net: Henry Crossfield 26

Birdies & Chip Ins: Fred Carlson, Henry Crossfield, Joe DeRoche, Vern Miller, John Parker, and Jay Villareal  
20 Players

### August 1, 2012

CTP (#9): Bob Garry 41' - 3"

1st Low Net: Jack McNulty, George Sousa 26; 2nd Low Net: Kelly Wood 27

Birdies & Chip Ins: Eugene Elliott, John Parker, George Sousa  
22 Players

### August 8, 2012

CTP (#4): Bob Hebson 5' - 8"

1st Low Net: Ken Clark, Eugene Elliott 25; 2nd Low Net: Bob Hebson 26; 3rd Low Net: Bob Garry, Larry Scott, George Sousa 27

Birdies & Chip Ins: Ken Clark, Bob Garry; Larry Scott  
22 Players

### Aug 15, 2012

CTP (#5): Kelly Wood 17' - 3"

1st Low Net: Ken Clark 22; 2nd Low Net: Bill Westmore, Kelly Wood 24; 3rd Low Net: John Brownie 25

Birdies & Chip Ins: John Brownie, Bob Hebson, Bill Westmore  
22 Players

