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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

**December 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 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

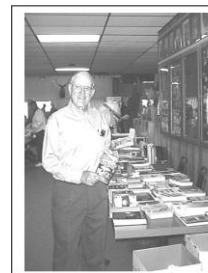
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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT  
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT  
 MEMBERSHIP FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2012**

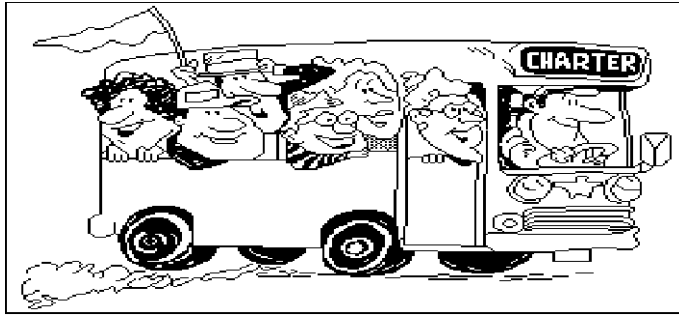
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RESIGNED.....	00
DECEASED.....	01
INACTIVE.....	11
RETURNED FROM INACTIVE .....	00
INDUCTED THIS MONTH .....	00
MEMBERS IN PROCESS.....	01
MEMBERSHIP .....	109

**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).**

**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; Gothenburg, Sweden; Talinn, Estonia; then a two- day call in St Petersburg, Russia, capital of the Tsars and Venice of the North. We continue to Helsinki, Finland; Stockholm, Sweden; Copenhagen, Denmark; and Brussels, Belgium; 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 airline miles is allowed. For information or a brochure, call Jim or Roy.

**September 7, 2013 (1 Day) America's Cup Finals** We will board the Bay Celebration motor launch from Jack London Square for a cruise out to the boundary of the race course where we will watch the Oracle team defend the Cup against the winner of the Challenge Elimination Series. The first race is September 7<sup>th</sup>; we will go on multiple days if there is sufficient interest. Cost will be approximately \$160/person plus a possible extra charge (TBD) by the America's Cup organization. Cruise includes round trip transportation and a catered lunch. If you are interested or have questions, call Jim or Roy. Also, call if you are interested in trips in July or August to watch races in the Challenge Elimination Series.

**October 13, 2013 (1 Day) Fleet Week** We will be doing Fleet Week again next year. If you are interested or have questions, call Jim or Roy.

**Short trips being considered** We are considering the following trips. Please contact Jim or Roy to help us determine which ones to pursue:

Palm Springs – to attend the Follies, maybe 3 days with an overnight on the way

Edna Valley Wine Trip – one day, tour and tasting

Los Angeles Air Museum – new home of the last space shuttle, also tour the battleship USS Iowa

## REMINDER

### NO LUNCHEON THIS MONTH

Our annual Christmas Dinner Dance will take place at The Sunnyvale Elks Club on Thursday, December 20, 2012.



There is still time to get tickets for the Event.

Doors open at 5:30pm

Music starts at 6:00pm

Dinner served at 7:00pm

Casual Dress

Contact Tom Birley for details.

408 736 8869

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***Sick Call:***

Please report illnesses of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Mal Hopkins, (408) 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*

Well, this is my last input as Big Sir to the Rooster newsletter. I have had a lot of fun being your Big Sir for this year. Some may look at this position as a lot of work, but I believe they are wrong. I actually regret that my tenure is up! I would like to thank the other Officers, Executive Board Members and all the Activity Chairmen for all their support at the monthly meetings. From my perspective, we have a great bunch of guys keeping our Branch 62 alive and well. I look forward to supporting the Branch as much as possible in the coming years.

At the November meeting, the new officers were inducted for next year by our esteemed Area Governor, Gene Elliott. (Photo on page 5.) Please give Harvey McAninch and Mal Hopkins your full support next year. I'm sure they will provide you with leadership and guidance throughout the year.

Don't forget the Christmas Dinner Dance is being held in lieu of our regular meeting in December. I'm looking forward to seeing my Branch 62 comrades at this gala event. Bring your significant other or come stag. The doors to the Elks Club will open at 5:30 on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of December so see you there.

I would like to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas as well as a Happy New Years Eve. Another great year awaits us.

As always, I would like to challenge all members to bring one person to our meetings. We will all be rewarded by the induction of new members into our branch.

Your Big Sir,  
*Phil Thomas*

## The Statesmen SIR Bowling

<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 December 2012 Winter league

The first part of a three part winter league finished on November 13<sup>th</sup>. The Deans (team 4) has placed in the top spot. The Chairmen (Team 2) is in second place just 1.5 games behind. The Sultans (Team Sultans) is in third place 4.5 games behind the Deans.

#### Top Scores for Part 1

Scratch Series: 792 Steve Bishop; 664 Lee Wriglesworth

Scratch Game: 267 Tom Birley; 244 Charles Gray

Handicap Series: 844 Sherm Owens; 836 Dave Jeong

Handicap Game: 306 Marvin Hirschel; 300 Harvey McAninch

We still need more Bowlers. Don't sit at home; come on down to Homestead Lanes. If you are unable to bowl, we welcome you to visit us and fellowship with us. The coffee pot is always on.

Harvey McAninch, Bowling President

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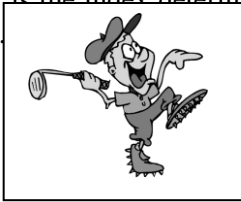
## SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

SIRS 18 Hole Golf

Current member dues are in for 2013. We have 5 retiring golfers and 2 new members. Jeff Bautista is playing a lot to build his handicap for 2013 so he can collect the big bucks. Jim Hildebrand is signing up with us rather than his former club.

Thanks for John Dieckman for running the show in Nov. Tom Birley is running Dec and I have inside info that Sunnyvale is already lined up with a 10:15 start. (He must know somebody at the muni.)

A brief note on the technical side. Your handicap is determined by multiplying your index (the number NCGA calculates when you post your scores) by the ratio of the course slope for the tees you play divided by 113. Why 113? One of the mysteries of golf. (Probably to keep folks from just using their index). So, how is the index determined? See next month's article. Hint: See differential.



### Next Tournament Coordinators

DEC TOM BIRLEY  
JAN TOM MCDONOUGH  
FEB RICHARD POPE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 3 – SUNNYVALE MUNI  
DEC 10 – DEEP CLIF  
DEC 17 – LOS LAGOS

(If you want to play on Christmas Eve or New Years Eve, you are on your own.)

JAN 7—SAN JOSE MUNI  
JAN 14 – SANTA TERESA  
JAN 21 – DEEP CLIFF  
JAN 28 – SANTA CLARA

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## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

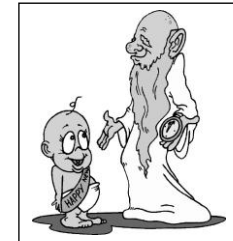
Art Albert 8<sup>th</sup>  
Gene Bunzel 8<sup>th</sup>  
Bill Westmore 15<sup>th</sup>  
Dick Tillinger 27<sup>th</sup>

## IN MEMORIAM

Rod Meyer, a member of Branch 62 since 2004, has passed away. During his career, he worked for Hewlett Packard. Recently, he became an Inactive Member.



**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**



**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR**



At the November Meeting, Area Governor Gene Elliot (holding microphone) inducted the 2013 Officers and Directors for SIR Branch 62.

## R & B 9 HOLE GOLF.

“I’m hitting the woods just great; but having a terrible time getting out of them!”

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

**October 24, 2012**

Rain Out

**October 31, 2012**

CTP: #9 Tom Birley 10’ 1”

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Rex Krivanek, John McGuire 25; 2nd Low Net: Bob Garry, George Sousa 26  
Birdies & Chip-Ins: Gene Bunzel, Rex Krivanek, John McGuire  
19 Players

**November 7, 2012**

CTP: #4 Henry Crossfield 5’ 11”

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: John McGuire 24; 2nd Low Net: Bob Garry 25;  
3rd Low Net: Tom Birley, Vern Miller 26  
Birdies & Chip-Ins: John Parker, Bill Westmore, Bob Garry, Tom Birley  
19 Players

**November 14, 2012**

CTP: #5 Tom Birley 25’ 2”

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Bob Garry 25; 2nd Low Net: Henry Crossfield, Jim Hildebrand 27  
Chip-In: Vern Miller  
18 Players

**November 21, 2012**

Thanksgiving Break