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SUNNYVALE  
BRANCH # 62



# The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of  
**Sunnyvale Branch #62**  
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at  
Mariani's Restaurant  
2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara  
A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men  
Devoted to the Promotion of Independence  
and Dignity in Retirement  
<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>  
**October 2014**

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SONS IN RETIREMENT, INCORPORATED SunnyVale Branch #62

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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 SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**

Attending	57
Guests	1
Transferred In	2
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Inactive	19
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	2
Members In Process	3
Membership	92

**BRIDGE UPDATE**

We play every first and third Tuesday at the Garrett Business Center on 3375 Scott Blvd. Park in the rear, closest to Suite 332. The next get together in October will be held on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We start at 1:30 and play for about 3 hours.

Roger has volunteered to give bridge lessons for 4 Sirs interested in learning the game. If you are interested please call Roger (408-730-0801) or myself at (408-410-3626) and we will set something up.

If anyone else is interested in playing a party style type of Bridge, please let me know at the next meeting or give Roger or myself a call.

Phil Thomas, Bridge Publicist

## The Statesmen SIR Bowling

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
Tom Birley (408) 736-8869	Charlie Gray (408) 253-0606	Dave Jeong (650) 493-9132	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

With three weeks into the winter bowling league we have the Chiefs consisting of Tom McDonough, Charles Bailey, Vern Miller and Lee Wriglesworth in first place. Second place team, the Kings, consisting of George Center, Mal Hopkins and Lynn Grilley, are one and a half games out of first. The Kings have only 3 players on their team, so if you want to help them get into that first place slot please come and join their team. We still need bowlers to fill a few empty slots.

### Top Scores for the Season so far are:

Scratch Series:	629 Lynn Grilley
Scratch Game:	237 Steve Bishop
Handicap Series:	757 Don Paulson
Handicap Game:	276 Phil Thomas

We bowl on Tuesdays starting at 10:00 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino

Come join us! -----Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

### SONS IN RETIREMENT—Branch 62 LUNCHEON ORDER FORM\* MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING

I wish to order a salad ( ) or the entrée of the month ( ) for the meeting in the month of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Included with this form is payment of \$19. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cut out and mail to: Bob Hebson, 1170 Stafford Drive  
Cupertino, CA 95014, (408) 255-3753

\*Use this form if you did not place an order at the last meeting.

## Luncheon Menu

For October 15, 2014

### Chef Salad or Pasta Primavera

**OKTOBERFEST**

**FREE BEER!!**



### OCTOBER SPEAKER

#### Rick Deutsch: Machu Picchu-The Inca Empire

The Inca Empire ruled the Andes Mountain Range in South America. Rick will talk to us about the history and the amazing construction of Machu Picchu in Peru.

#### Future Speakers

November: Teresa Alvarado: Santa Clara Valley Water District

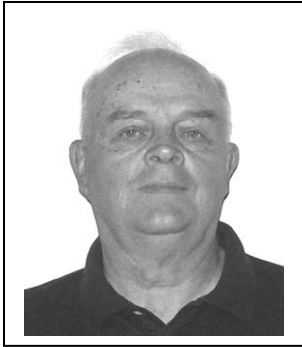
#### *Sick Call:*

Please report illnesses of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Mal Hopkins, (408) 720-0849.

#### *Rooster:*

If you have not received 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). To switch to e-mail delivery, send your e-mail address to John McGuire. E-mail subscriptions reduce Branch expenses.

**BE A SIR!.. BE COMMITTED!!  
BE ACTIVE!.. HAVE FUN!..**



*From Our  
Big Sir  
Mal Hopkins*

Fellow Sirs,

Well, Sirs, October brings Octoberfest and I hope to see a lot of you at our next luncheon. We were fortunate to welcome two new members into Branch 62: Don Holthaus sponsored by Russ Kohlrust and John Peterson by Fred Carlson. We have two other applicants: Richard Thomas sponsored by Dave Jeong and Jack Knoll sponsored by Paul Goodman. This is encouraging and we can use a lot more.

Our golfers have been experiencing great weather. Travel trips were reviewed by our Travel Chairman; The Bridge Club meets on the first and third Tuesdays and Bocce Ball will finally get going next month.

Branch 153 is disbanding and we hope to get some of their members into our branch. Several of our Sirs are not feeling well: Joe DeRoche, Frank Blefari, Bob Casho, Bill Salocks and Joe Vivona. Keep them in your prayers. Mariani's property has been sold but the restaurant is not affected for now and into 2015. I will keep you advised. As always bring a neighbor, friend or acquaintance to a meeting. We welcome all !

*Mal Hopkins, Big Sir*

**BOCCE BALL UPDATE**

It has been a long time developing and we are almost there. One more month to finish before we start playing. Status is: Mal, Bob, and Russ will be finalizing details on October 3<sup>rd</sup> with the SIR chapter at the Villages. Russ will be contacting all interested Sirs in our chapter later this month with the Bocce Ball details.

**MARIANI'S LUNCH INFORMATION**

As you know, we now sell tickets for our monthly lunch at Mariani's (2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95051) and several questions have come up.

1. If at all possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the meeting preceding the one you plan to attend.
2. If you cannot buy your meal for the next month at the luncheon or send your money to the Little Sir at least one week in advance (that's the Thursday before the meeting), then don't come to the meeting expecting to eat. If you buy a ticket and cannot make the meeting, call the Little Sir one week before the meeting and he will get your ticket moved to the following month. If there is an emergency and you can't make the meeting, call the Little Sir and he will decide if it is a true emergency and will forward the ticket to the following month. This is going to be enforced and if you buy a ticket and don't show up without letting the Little Sir know you will lose your money.
3. If you have not purchased a ticket for the upcoming meeting and wish to attend, you must submit the Luncheon Order Form (*found on page 9*), with your payment, **so that the Little Sir receives it no later than Thursday, one week prior to the meeting.** Lunch orders received less than one week before the meeting will not be processed and your money will be refunded.

If you have any other questions please contact *Little Sir* Bob Hebson at (408) 255-3753

**Luncheon Menu for the rest of the Year**

	<b><u>SALAD</u></b>	<b><u>ENTREE</u></b>
November	Broiled Chicken	Turkey
December	DINNER DANCE	

## SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

The golf coordinators for the balance of 2014 are:

October Dave Riopel      November Jeff Bautista  
December Paul Goodwin

The Coordinator for October will be Dave Riopel. The following is a suggested lineup of courses for October:

6 October – Los Lagos

13 October – Coyote Creek

20 October – Santa Teresa

27 October – San Jose Muni

The actual courses and tee times will be firmed up when Dave gets back from his vacation.

May you hit them long and straight.

Phil Thomas 408-410-3626

## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

Frank Mazzola	1 <sup>st</sup>	Don Paulson	12 <sup>th</sup>
Don Maxwell	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Barry Boole	13 <sup>th</sup>
Jack Martin	4 <sup>th</sup>	John Peterson	18 <sup>th</sup>
Ralph Robinson	4 <sup>th</sup>	Walt Strach	19 <sup>th</sup>
Carl DelRosario	5 <sup>th</sup>	Cash Casho	26 <sup>th</sup>
Dave Jeong	9 <sup>th</sup>	Mal Hopkins	31 <sup>st</sup>

## **Notice of \$1 Luncheon Increase**

Our Executive Committee has made several decisions necessary to keep Branch financially stable. The committee has approved an increase in our ticket prices to \$20.00 for lunch effective January 1, 2015. Our dues will remain at \$10.00 for the year to eliminate the bucket brigade.

## **R & B 9 HOLE GOLF** **Henry Crossfield / Tom Birley-Co Chairmen**

*The 9 Hole Golf Report was not submitted this month*

### THE PERFECT GOLF HUSBAND

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A cellular phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands-free speaker function and begins to talk. Everyone else in the room stops to listen.

**MAN:** "Hello"

**WOMAN:** "Hi Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?"

**MAN:** "Yes."

**WOMAN:** "I'm at the shops now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only \$2,000; is it OK if I buy it?"

**MAN:** "Sure, go ahead if you like it that much."

**WOMAN:** "I also stopped by the Lexus dealership and saw the new models. I saw one I really liked."

**MAN:** "How much?"

**WOMAN:** "\$90,000." ;

**MAN:** "OK, but for that price I want it with all the options."

**WOMAN:** "Great! Oh, and one more thing... I was just talking to Janie and found out that the house I wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$980,000 for it."

**MAN:** "Well, then go ahead and make an offer of \$900,000.

They'll probably take it. If not, we can go the extra eighty-thousand if it's what you really want."

**WOMAN:** "OK. I'll see you later! I love you so much!"

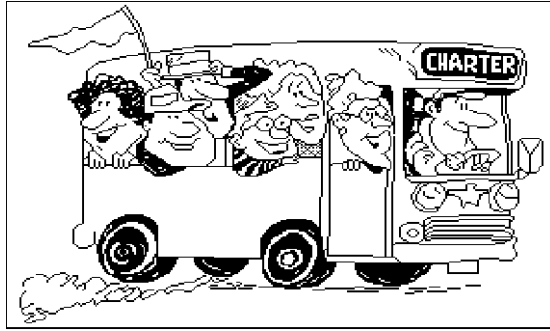
**MAN:** "Bye! I love you, too."

The man hangs up. The other men in the locker room are staring at him in complete astonishment, mouths wide open.

He turns and asks, "Anyone know whose phone this is?"

## **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

**Reminder:** Trips organized by Sons in Retirement (SIR) are available not only to SIR members and their spouses but also to guests and widows of SIR members. **Escorts: Jim Hohenshelt (408-394-7226)** (Roy Jordan at 408 735-8765 not available until September 22).

**June, 2015 (6 days) - Las Vegas, World Series of Poker (WSOP):** Exact date TBA when 2015 WSOP schedule is defined. Watch or play (entry fee not included) in the Senior WSOP at the Rio Hotel and Casino, or pursue other Vegas activities. Cost is \$675 (dbl) and \$850 (sgl), includes airport transfers (home to SJC & LAS to the Rio), air fare & 5 nights in a luxury suite at the Rio.

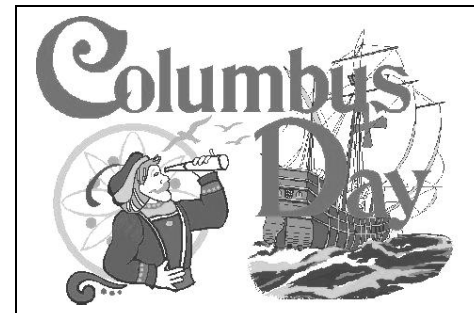
**November 5–23, 2015 - Crossroads of Turkey** - Land tour of Turkey begins with 3 days in Istanbul, proceeds to Asiatic Turkey featuring stops at Gallipoli battlefields, legendary Troy, many ancient Biblical, Roman and Greek sites, fascinating geological features & history back to the Hittites, ending in Ankara. Per Person cost is \$3795, includes air fare from SFO, tour transportation, all hotel accommodations, all taxes and fees, gratuities for drivers/guides, 35 meals. Optional 5 day pre-trip to Athens is available for \$1295.

**January 9 – 19, 2016: Mexican Riviera:** Grand Princess cruise from San Francisco (**no air**) with stops in Puerto Vallarta, Manzanillo, Mazatlan, and Cabo San Lucas. Per person double occupancy cost ranges from \$1455 (Interior), to \$1995 (Balcony), includes home pick up to & from SF Pier, cruise meals & entertainment, all taxes and fees, gratuities for drivers & porters.

## SIR Branch 62 Treasurer's Report.

### Narrative

Each year we have fewer members to support the same or greater fixed costs. The burden falls on those members attending the luncheons, since they are the ones paying the extra \$2, and they are the ones most likely to pay the annual dues. Some members still feel that dues are voluntary and for whatever reason don't pay. Annual fixed costs less the support from the picnic, dinner dance, and raffle run about \$1,900. That's about \$30 per active member. If we priced luncheons at cost, each active member would need to pay annual dues of \$30. Each member should understand this.



October 13<sup>th</sup>



Halloween  
October 31<sup>st</sup>

**BOO !**