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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>
September 2015

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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.

NON-RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE

All tours and activities arranged for or by Sons In Retirement, Inc. through its branches and committees or agents are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. However, Sons In Retirement, Inc., and its branches, do not assume any responsibility for the well being and safety of the participants or their property in matters pertaining to said tours and activities. Members and guests will participate at their own risk. v2jmcg

**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
MEMBERSHIP FOR AUGUST 20, 2015**

Attending	—
Guests	1
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	89
Inactive	32
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	123

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Art Bedford	14 th	Joe Koval	7 th
Fred Carlson	4 th	Don Langlais	17 th
Bill Crosby	10 th	John McGuire	30 th
Bob Garry	2 nd	Dave Riopel	20 th
Marv Hirschel	9 th	Minn Tsai	

SEPTEMBER SPEAKER

Our Speaker is Jack Boyd, who serves as Senior Advisor to the Director of NASA-Ames Research Center, the Senior Advisor for History and the Ames Center Ombudsman. His career spans almost the entire history of the Center, starting as an Aerodynamicist in 1947 in the Ames Aeronautical Laboratory.

His work as an Aeronautical Research Engineer involved wind tunnel studies of supersonic and subsonic aircraft, and included major contributions to the theories of conical camber. He later did early research on the design of unpiloted planetary probes to explore Mars and Venus, and he helped develop early configurations for the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo Capsules.

SIR Alert: Three different people have driven over the "Reserved for the Big Sir" sign in the parking lot. Warning: there are nails in those signs!

**Luncheon Menu
September 17, 2015**

**Chicken Caesar Salad
Or Bay Shrimp Carbonara**

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	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

The winners of our Summer League are the Admirals, consisting of Al Delfino, Tom McDonough, Lynn Grilley, and Tom Birley, with a score of 3 wins to 1 loss. The Emperors (Harold Thiede, Mal Hopkins, Bobbie Byers, and Bob Hebson) placed second. Congrats to all!!!!

Top Scores for the Season are:

Scratch Series: 634 Steve Bishop
Scratch Game: 255 Tom Birley
Handicap Series: 717 Phil Thomas
Handicap Game: 266 Dave Jeong

Our Winter League started on the 25th of August. Results for the first week show the Deans (Phil Thomas, Carl Del Rosario, and Dave Jeong) tied for First Place with the Chiefs (Tom McDonough, George Center, and Bob Hebson). We have one new bowler, Harold Kaye, who apparently found a home with us by bowling an astonishing 222 game. Next week, we hope to have our Little Sir (Russ Kohlrust) join us in our Winter League. We can only hope he bowls as well as he thinks he can play Bocce Ball. ☺

We still have some openings in our Winter League; so if you want to take up the sport, please see me or e-mail me at phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu. I will gladly add you to a team. We readily accept all those who want to learn as well. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino.

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 \$21. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name _____ Badge Number _____

Cut out and mail to: Russ Kohlrust, 2561 Lancaster Ct, Santa Clara, CA 95051 or call (408) 306-8335

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

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. 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
Bob Hebson*

Fellow Sirs:

At the August meeting, our attendance was down again. SIR was started as a social club with activities added, not as an activities club with a social meeting added. Thus, we should make the social meeting to get to know and socialize with our fellow Sirs in Branch 62. The State Bylaws state that in RULE 60: "Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale." I know people can't make it every month but how about putting in some effort to make the meetings. We have good lunches at a fair price, so it should not be a burden to attend.

Our membership is down and we have been trying to determine if those that are missing the meetings are still interested in membership or they have decided to drop out without letting us know. Please let us know if you are leaving SIR and why so we can try to fix any problems you see. If you are not leaving, let me know at the meeting about any problems you see. You can also contact me at rhebson@gmail.com, if this is more convenient.

Again my parting words about membership. LET'S BRING IN SOME NEW MEMBERS.

Well, that's all for now folks. See you at Mariani's on September 17th. That's an early 3rd Thursday in the month, so make sure it is on your calendar.

Bob Hebson, Big Sir

MARIANI'S LUNCH INFORMATION

Tickets are sold in advance of the monthly lunch at Mariani's (2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara, CA 95051). If at all possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the meeting preceding the one you plan to attend.

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.

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 2*), 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* Russ Kohlrust at 408 306-8335

NOTICE

On 8/20/15, the Branch Board approved a dues increase from \$20 to \$25 effective January 2016. The breakdown per member is as follows:

Rooster.....	\$14
State Assessment.....	5
Guest & Birthday Lunches....	5
<u>Office.....</u>	<u>2</u>
Total.....	\$26

(Cost of Annual Roster is covered by the Picnic Profits.)

Roger Falberg, Treasurer

SIR Branch 62 Eighteen Hole Golf

September Golf Course Lineup

7th Moffett

14th San Jose Muni

21st Santa Teresa

28th Los Lagos

Area Tournament: 28th Pacific Grove

Tournament Chairman – Dave Riopel
408-255-1825

May you hit them long and straight.

BOCCE BALL UPDATE

Listed below is the Roster of players for the Bocce Ball Program:

Jeff Bautista	Pat Misener
Tom Birley	Ron Olson
Bud Collinson	Rene Padilla
Dan Freitas	Jack Pettygrove
Mal Hopkins	Dave Riopel
Russ Kohlrust	Walt Strach
Bill McMorrow	Mel Waldman

If you would like to join the group, contact Russ Kohlrust at 408-306-8335.

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley & Dave Riopel, Co-Chairmen

July 29th 15 Players

C.T.P. Rex Krivanek 13'

1st Low Net: Tom Birley 24

2nd Low Net: Bill Crosby, John Parker 27

3rd Low Net: Vern Miller, Fred Carlson 29

Birds & Chip-ins: Jim Anderson (C)

August 5th 12 Players

C.T.P. John Howard 14'5"

1st Low Net: Bob Hebson 25

2nd Low Net: Jim Anderson 26

3rd Low Net: Roger Falberg 27

Birds & Chip-Ins: Jim Anderson (B)

August 12th 13 Players

C.T.P. Vern Miller 6'3"

1st Low Net: Fred Carlson 23

2nd Low Net: Jim Anderson, John Parker 25

3rd Low Net: Roger Falberg, John Howard 27

Birds & Chip-Ins: John Parker (C), John Howard,
Roger Falberg(B)

August 19th 11 Players

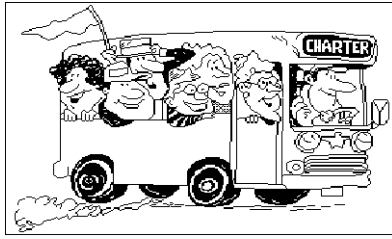
C.T.P. Rex Krivanek 16'11"

1st Low Net: Gene Bunzel, John Howard, Dave Riopel, Don Stuedeman 26

2nd Low Net: Fred Carlson, Rex Krivanek,
Vern Miller 28

3rd Low Net: John McGuire 30

Birds & Chip-ins: Don Stuedeman (C), Alex Fremling,



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) and Roy Jordan at (408 735-8765).

Brochures for the following trips are available from the escorts or at the travel table

October 11th, 2015 – 2015 Fleet Week Air Show Cruise - Watch the 2015 Fleet Week Air Show from San Francisco Bay on a lunch cruise aboard the iconic San Francisco Belle. The price of \$170 includes bus transfer from San Jose. If interested, please call Jim ASAP.

January 9 – 19, 2016: Mexican Riviera: Grand Princess cruise from San Francisco (no flights). **Price reduction** - Per person double occupancy cost now ranges from \$1350 (Interior, was \$1455) to \$1825 (Balcony, was \$1995), includes home pick up, cruise meals & entertainment, taxes, fees, some gratuities.

July 11 - 23, 2016: Eastern Europe to the Black Sea: Danube River cruise from Budapest to Bucharest with interesting & historic tours, Belgrade, Iron Gates, Danube-Black Sea Canal. From \$4670 pp/dbl. occ. with air from San Francisco. Early signup discounts up to 3% available

Nov 12 - 23, 2016: Panama and Canal Passage: Panama City, Chitre, rain forest, 2 day Canal passage on small ship. \$4770 pp/dbl. occ. includes air from San Jose. Early signup discounts up to 7% available.

ANNIVERSARIES

5 YEARS

Harold Thiede

10 YEARS

Art Albert	Wally Anderson	Gene Bunzel
Bruce Capron	Bud Collinson	Paul Goodwin
John Howard	Frank McElroy	Jerry Nieto

15 YEARS

Alex Fremling	Jim Hohenshelt	Armond King
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20 YEARS

Charlie Gray	Bill McTiernan	Jack Parker
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25 YEARS

Don Colletti	Ron Olson
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30 YEARS

Jack Martin

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

BRIDGE UPDATE

We play every first and third Tuesday at the Garrett Business Center at 3375 Scott Blvd. Park in the rear, closest to Suite 332. The next get togethers will be held on the 1st and 15th of September. Dave Riopel will be hosting on the 1st and Bobbie Byers will be hosting on the 15th.

We will be starting at a new time of 1:00 and play for about 3 1/2 hours. We play 4 rounds of bridge per table and the losers move to the next table. We get in about 4 rounds before having to call it quits.

Roger Falberg has announced that his 4 bridge trainees (Jeff Bautista, Mal Hopkins, Tom Birley, and his wife Dotty) are doing well and can be folded into the group soon. 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 me a call.

We are still looking for that bid and made Grand Slam contract.

Phil Thomas, Bridge Publicist