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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 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>  
**November 2016**

**OFFICERS**

|            |                |                 |                |
|------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Big Sir    | Russ Kohlrust  | Asst. Secretary | Bob Pastorino  |
| Little Sir | Jim Hohenshelt | Treasurer       | Roger Falberg  |
| Secretary  | Dave Riopel    | Asst. Treasurer | Leon Kowaleski |

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|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Jeff Bautista | John Howard |
| Ron Olson     | Frank Guyre |

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| Phil Thomas   |
| Alex Fremling |

**COMMITTEES**

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Attendance        | Tom Birley                                     |
| Audit             | Mel Waldman<br>Wally Anderson<br>Heber Slusser |
| Book Swap         | John Brownie                                   |
| Bowling           | Tom Birley<br>Leon Kowaleski<br>Phil Thomas    |
| Chaplain          | Bob Hebson                                     |
| Condolence        | Mal Hopkins                                    |
| Directory         | Tom Birley                                     |
| Golf, 9 Hole      | Tom Birley<br>Dave Riopel                      |
| Golf, 18 Hole     | Paul Goodwin                                   |
| Greeters          | Jay Smolik                                     |
| Guests & Visitors | Volunteer Wanted                               |
| Historian         | Wally Anderson                                 |
| Humorist          | Don Coletti                                    |
| Lunch Tickets     | Roy Jordan                                     |

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| Membership          | Jeff Bautista                                  |
| Newsletter          | Jim Mellenger<br>John McGuire<br>John Dieckman |
| Nominations         | Phil Thomas<br>John Steele<br>Phil Thomas      |
| Photography Program | Walter Strach<br>Gene Bunzel                   |
| Property            | Henry Crossfield                               |

**RAMP CHAIRMEN**

|                     |                               |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Chair               | Jim Hoenshelt                 |
| <b>R</b> ecruitment | Jeff Bautista                 |
| <b>A</b> ctivities  | Russ Kohlrust                 |
| <b>M</b> embership  | Heber Slusser                 |
| <b>P</b> ublicity   | Heber Slusser                 |
| Rooster Items       | Mal Hopkins                   |
| Songster            | Art Bedford<br>Leon Kowaleski |
| Special Events      | Tom Birley<br>Bob Byers       |
| Sunshine            | Mal Hopkins                   |
| Transportation      | George Giorgi                 |
| Travel              | Jim Hohenshelt<br>Roy Jordan  |
| Webmaster           | Heber Slusser                 |

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State President: Donald Dill  
 Region 7 Director: Patrick Misener  
 Area 20 Governor: Rene Padilla

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 OCTOBER 20, 2016**

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Attending                    | 43 |
| Guests                       | 2  |
| Transferred In               | 0  |
| Transferred Out (Past Month) | 0  |
| Resigned                     | 0  |
| Deceased                     | 0  |
| Active                       | 76 |
| Inactive                     | 18 |
| Returned From Inactive       | 0  |
| Inducted This Month          | 0  |
| Members in Process           | 0  |
| Membership                   | 94 |

**2017 DUES REMINDER**

Member dues are \$25, payable by 1/18/2017. Pay at the January meeting either by cash or check. Checks should be made out to "SIR Branch 62", and dated 1/18/2017. Checks can be mailed to:

Roger Falberg, Treasurer  
 751 Silverpine Court  
 Sunnyvale, CA 94086



HAPPY  
 THANKSGIVING  
 NOVEMBER 24th

## **The Statesmen SIR Bowling**

| <u>President</u>             | <u>Vice President</u>          | <u>Secretary</u>              | <u>Treasurer</u>                 |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Tom Birley<br>(408) 736-8869 | Charlie Gray<br>(408) 253-0606 | Phil Thomas<br>(408) 410-3626 | Leon Kowaleski<br>(408) 446-1129 |

We have just completed the first quarter of Winter Bowling and the Emperors, consisting of Tom McDonough, Charlie Bailer, Lee Wrigglesworth, and Phil Thomas won First Place in the Position Round. The Deans, consisting of Armond King, Carl Del Rosario, Harold Kaye, and Bob Hebson came in second place.

### **Top Scores for the Season are:**

Scratch Series: 653 Tom Birley  
Scratch Game: 235 Bud Collinson  
Handicap Series: 792 Steve Bishop  
Handicap Game: 299 Lynn Grilley

We are bowling in a SIR tournament on November 16 at Concord Bowl. If anyone is interested in participating in singles and doubles please contact me at 408-410-3626.

We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino. Come by and root for your favorite team. Lots of noise and lots of fun.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

## **Branch 62 Wine Tasting Club**

I have to admit that I'm doing a poor job as the Wine Tasting Club chairman. For future outings, I am going to set up an email listing and coordinate upcoming events through the email system. This will be more reliable than making phone calls the night before the event as I have been doing in past months.

I will set up a Wine Tasting at Ruby Hills Winery in Livermore on the 18<sup>th</sup> of November. I will send out the email at least a week in advance and follow up at the November meeting.

If anyone is interested in joining this club, please let me know at the next meeting or give me a call at 408-410-3626. You can also email me at [phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu](mailto:phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu).

Phil Thomas, Wine Tasting Publicist

## **LUNCH MENU** NOVEMBER 17, 2016

**Fruit Boat Salad**  
**Grilled Ham w/Cherry Sauce**

## **NOVEMBER SPEAKER**

Our speaker will be Marty Brounstein and his Wife.  
The Speech is "A Story of Courage in the Holocaust".

It is a true, interfaith story of courage, compassion, and rescue. A Christian couple in the Netherlands who, despite great risks and dangers, saved the lives of over two dozen Jews during World War II and the Holocaust!

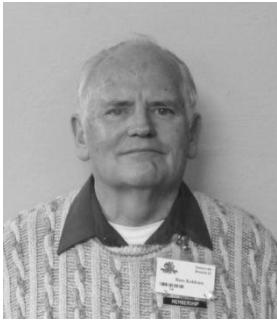
### ***Sick Call:***

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  
Russ Kohlrust*

Fellow Sirs,

It's difficult to believe the holiday season is upon us already. Make sure you vote for the presidential candidate of your choice and include your vote on the numerous propositions. Your ballot is meaningful and is the only way you can express your thoughts to the candidates. You can vote by mail, postage free. Make sure your ballot is postmarked by November 8.

I wish everyone a happy and joyful holiday season with your families and friends. Be safe in your travels. I look forward to seeing you next year at the monthly meetings as we continue Branch 62 leadership with our new Big Sir, **Jim Hohenshelt**. Support the branch by offering your abilities and talents on the leadership team as we continue our growth in membership back to achieving the goal of **100 active members** in our branch. We need your guidance and contribution to continue as a branch. Our branch can only function with your help. Attend our activities and assist them to grow in participation. Offer to form additional new activities. How about exploring fishing, RVing, trying different restaurants with your significant other, photography, computer usage, smart phone usage, gardening, or walking for exercise. **WHAT ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU LIKE THE BRANCH TO DO THAT WE ARE NOT DOING?** Suggest that new activity to Jim Hohenshelt.

In closing, I'm letting you know that Mariani's is increasing the luncheon lunch cost to \$23 effective 1/1/17. The increase is their first increase in the past two years. Unfortunately, our budget cannot subsidize the increase.

Russ Kohlrust, Big Sir

**LUNCH ORDERING INFORMATION**

Tickets are sold in advance of the monthly lunch. If at all possible, please buy your lunch ticket at the meeting preceding the one you plan to attend.

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 you have not purchased a ticket for the upcoming meeting and wish to attend, you must submit the Luncheon Order Form (*below*), 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.

**For November only, please contact Russ Kohlrust at 408 248 1511.**

**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) 248-1511

\*Use this form if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the last meeting.

## 18 Hole Golf

There are 5 of 12 still in the match play tournament. Only two players have gone undefeated, Bob Byers and Bob Pastorino. Byers has not been able to play recently and now Pastorino is on vacation in Hawaii. Stay tuned.....

### Leader board for Player of the Year Standings thru October 17

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Pastorino, Robert | 38 |
| Doyle, Mr Frank   | 32 |
| Freitas, Mr Dan   | 28 |
| Marquez, Mr Jim   | 28 |

NCGA \$40 dues for the 2017 season are due. Make checks payable to SIR 62. Give them to me at golf, lunch or by mail.

I notice that some players have a unique interpretation of where the tee box is relative to the markers. Some seem to think that the markers are in the middle of the tee box and so they can tee the ball in front of the markers. This is not the case. If you tee the ball in front of the center of the markers, your shot doesn't count and you must hit another ball properly teed using your third stroke. (A penalty called stroke and distance). I strongly suggest you tee the ball at least a foot BEHIND the markers.

November is coordinated by Tom Birley.

7 – Santa Teresa

14 – Santa Clara

21 – Spring Valley regional Turkey Shoot \$66

28 - Sunnyvale

Submitted by Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chair 408-480-490

## R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

### September 28<sup>th</sup> 12 Players

C.T.P. Dave Riopel 23'1"

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Roger Falberg, John Parker 27

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Tom Birley 28

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson, Don Stuedeman 30

Birds & Chip-ins: Tom Birley, Bob Hebson (B)  
Don Stuedeman (B/C)

### October 5<sup>th</sup> 10 Players

C.T.P. Mike Hastings ( only one on)

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Henry Crossfield, Alex Fremling 28

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Mike Hastings 30

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson 33

Birds & Chip-ins:

### October 12<sup>th</sup> 13 Players

C.T.P. Tom Birley 3'

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Dave Riopel 25

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Henry Crossfield 27

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Alex Fremling 29

Birds & Chip-ins: Bill Crosby (C), Dave Riopel (B)

### October 19<sup>th</sup> 9 Players

C.T.P. Henry Crossfield (only one on)

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Alex Fremling 25

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Henry Crossfield 26

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Roger Falberg 30

Birds & Chip-ins: None

### October 26<sup>th</sup> 10 Players

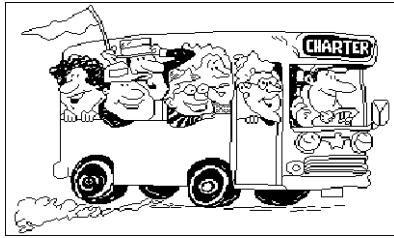
C.T.P. None

1<sup>st</sup> Low Net: Bob Hebson 25

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Net: Bill Crosby, John Howard 28

3<sup>rd</sup> Low Net: Henry Crossfield, Don Stuedeman 29

Birds & Chip-ins: None



## 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 are available from the escorts or at the travel table.**

Branch 62 has no more travel events scheduled at this time. However, there are trips scheduled by other branches in SIR Areas 5 and 20. These trips are described in the Area 5 & 20 Travel Bulletin, which many of our members receive. Please contact one of the travel chairmen if you would like to receive the bulletin. Also, brochures for other branches' trips are available on the travel table at the monthly Branch 62 luncheons (although there may not be a travel table at the November luncheon because the travel chairmen will be on our trip to Panama & the Panama Canal).

**Fleet Week Air Show Cruise** Forty-nine participants had a fine experience on this year's Fleet Week air show cruise. We were favored with lovely clear and warm weather for the whole day. We had a comfortable bus ride from San Jose which arrived at the pier in good time for boarding the San Francisco Belle. The departure from the dock was somewhat delayed because the ship's horn stuck on (of all things), but all aboard were enjoying a fine buffet meal. Even with the delay, we were on the Bay to watch the Blue Angels put on their usual spectacular show.

## BRIDGE UPDATE

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of November and the 6<sup>th</sup> of December. The hosts will be Russ Kohlrust, Fred Carlson, and Roger Falberg respectively. We start at 1:00 and play for about 2 1/2 hours.

We play 4 rounds of bridge per table and the losers move to the next table. We get in about 4 or 5 rounds before having to call it quits.

We had only 1 table the last time we played. We hope to get more participation in the next meeting.

We play every first and third Tuesday at the Garrett Business Center on 3375 Scott Blvd. Park in the rear, closest to Suite 332.

Phil Thomas, Bridge Publicist

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|        |           |    |
|--------|-----------|----|
| George | Center    | 8  |
| Frank  | Guyre     | 11 |
| Walt   | Marwitz   | 19 |
| Jim    | Mellenger | 8  |
| John   | Shields   | 10 |
| Heber  | Slusser   | 20 |
| Pete   | Tobias    | 18 |



VETERAN'S DAY  
NOVEMBER 11TH