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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>
December 2018

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ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS: If you do not attend three (3) consecutive meetings without 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 makeup for missing our Luncheon

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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
 MEMBERSHIP FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2018**

Attending Meeting	39
Guests	0
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	65
Inactive	0
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	1
Membership	65

Chuck Hart

SIR WINE TASTING

It was suggested to me that we could do a wine tasting in Livermore and Bocce Ball at Campo Di Bocce, also in Livermore, before or afterward. I will get with the people at Campo Di Bocce and see if we need a reservation and then send out an email noting the time and day. Some of the wineries in the area are Concannon, Kent, Wente, and Katz.

If anyone is interested in joining us on these wine tasting events please contact me at phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu or 408-410-3626.

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Nov. 4th – 23rd, 2019 Inside Vietnam: We'll travel the country from north to south, visiting places like Hanoi, Hue, Danang, Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), the Cu Chi Tunnels, Mekong Delta and more. Cost is \$3775 per person, single or double, including air fare. A 3 night en route stopover in Hong Kong (\$695), a pre-trip visit to Northern Hill Tribes (\$1095) and a post trip extension to Cambodia and the famous temples at Angkor Wat (\$1395) are available.

The Statesmen SIR Bowling

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
Tom Birley (408) 736-8869	Vacant	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Leon Kowaleski (408) 446-1129

After 12 weeks of our Winter League, we have Team 8, consisting of Richard Thomas, Maggie Jones and Tom Chatfield, in first place.

Top Scores so far are:

Scratch Series: 616 Tom Birley and 539 Pat Hutton
Scratch Game: 222 Lee Wriglesworth and 187 Mary Roth
Handicap Series: 682 Lynn Grilley and 671 Ruth Pettygrove
Handicap Game: 259 Armond King and 248 Marlys Byers

We have openings for new bowlers, so see me if you are interested in taking up the sport. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino. Come by and root for your favorite team.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY

Jim Marquez 12/22

IN MEMORIAM

Willis (Bill) Casey 9/11/18

BRANCH 62 WEB SITE

Have you visited our web site lately? It's well worth a visit.

<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>

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REMINDER

NO LUNCHEON THIS MONTH
Our annual Christmas Dinner Dance will take place at Mariani's Restaurant on Thursday, December 20, 2018.



There is still time to get tickets for the Event.
Use the order form included in this Rooster.

Doors open at 5:30pm
Music starts at 6:00pm
Dinner served at 7:00pm
Casual Dress

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
Phil Thomas*

Our speaker in November gave us a great eye-opener presentation on global warming. My thoughts are to look into solar paneling for the house and electric automobiles for transportation. Carbon emissions are going to be a critical environmental issue in the near future.

I will pick out another member to hold a “Who am I” session at our next meeting in January. I have yet to stump anyone in this game; so I am going to have to look deeper into our membership prior to the next meeting.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate George Center who turned 95 (a Super Senior Sir), Fred Carlson who turned 90 (a Senior Sir) and Don Coletti who is 93 (a Senior Sir). May you enjoy many more years to come.

As your Big Sir, I ask that all of you work harder to bring in younger men to our meetings with the knowledge that our purpose here is to have fun and meet new people. The state SIR Organization has gone to extremes to reduce or eliminate the rules regarding eligibility. I can think of no better way to spend my retirement than with people I like and activities that I enjoy.

Your Big Sir,

Phil Thomas

LUNCH ORDERING INFORMATION

If you buy a ticket and cannot make the meeting, call or email Dave Riopel one week before the meeting and he will get your ticket moved to a future meeting.

If you have not purchased a ticket for the upcoming meeting and wish to attend, you must submit the Luncheon Order Form, with your payment, **so that Dave Riopel receives it no later than Thursday, one week prior to the SIR meeting.** Lunch orders received less than one week before the meeting will not be processed and your money will be refunded.

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. Luncheon price for 2018 is \$26.

Please contact Dave Riopel at 408-255-1825 or driopel@msn.com.

**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 \$26.00. Make check payable to SIR Branch 62.

Name _____ Badge Number _____

Cut out and mail to: Dave Riopel, 10516 Whitney Way,
Cupertino, CA 95014

*Use this form **for the January meeting**, if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the November meeting.

**JANUARY LUNCH MENU
Chef Salad or Beef Stroganoff**

18 HOLE GOLF

The golfer of the year is Walt Marwitz. Runner-ups are shown below. The most improved golfer is Bob Pastorino – index going from 33.5 to 29.5 over the last 12 months. The most rounds posted was 87 for Wally Anderson and Walt Marwitz giving them the ‘Iron Man’ award.

<u>GOLFER</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>WINNINGS</u>
Walt Marwitz	55	\$60
Wally Anderson	42	\$30
Bob Pastorino	36	\$20
Tom Birley	31	\$10

The foursome of Wally Anderson, Phil Thomas, Tom Birely and Paul Goodwin came in third at the last regional event at Coyote Valley. A. Goodwin won low net for the ladies. Wally won closest to the pin.

18 hole club dues of \$45 will be due by Dec 25 if you want to keep your membership with the club in the NCGA.

December will be coordinated by P. Goodwin

3 – Santa Teresa

10 – Baylands

17 – Los Lagos

There will be no club contests on Christmas Eve nor New Years Eve.

Submitted by Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chairman



Merry Christmas!

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

October 31st 8 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: John Howard 26

2nd Low Net: Mike Hastings, Don Stuedeman 29

3rd Low Net: Roger Falberg, Alex Fremling 30

Birds & Chip-ins: John Howard (C)

November 7th 9 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: Henry Crossfield 27

2nd Low Net: Jim Anderson 28

3rd Low Net: Alex Fremling 29

Birds & Chip-ins: Jim Anderson (B), John Howard (C)

November 14th 7 Players

C.T.P. Jack Pettygrove 19'2"

1st Low Net: Mike Hastings 28

2nd Low Net: Henry Crossfield 31

Birds & Chip-ins: Henry Crossfield (C)

Do You Want to Car Pool?

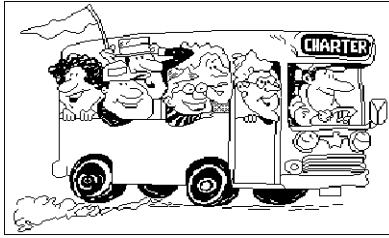
Please visit our interactive Car Pool page on our web site at <http://branch62.sirinc2.org> and click on the Car Pool “Post-It” on the left side of the home page. You will be able to see the locations of our members on a map and determine if a Car Pool is viable for you.

Heber Slusser

Webmaster branch62sir@gmail.com



Happy New Year!



SIR TRAVEL - BRANCH 62

Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt at 408 394-7226, not available Dec 6-Jan 13

Assistant: Roy Jordan at (408 735-8765).

Trip brochures are available from the travel chairmen or at the travel table at the monthly Branch 62 Luncheon

Reminder: Trips organized by Sons in Retirement (SIR) are available to SIR members and their spouses, also to guests and widows of SIR members.

May?, 2019 Casino Trip We are looking into a bus trip, probably to Reno, for one or two nights for shows and other casino activities. Contact Jim, if you have a choice of dates, how many nights or suggestions for activities.

May 10, 2019 Rubino Winery “Duck” Tour of the vineyard including Duck ride and tasting. Maximum of 14 people. Details to follow

June 3 – 18, 2019 Great Rivers of Europe: Join us for a cruise from Vienna, along the Danube, Rhine-Main-Danube Canal and the Main and Rhine Rivers, ending in Amsterdam. Cost is \$5875 to \$7275 pp/dbl. occ., depending on cabin choice (single supplement is \$745) including air fare. A pre-trip extension in Vienna for \$795 and a post trip extension to Bruges, Belgium for \$795 are available.

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BRIDGE CLUB

The next two scheduled meetings will be held on the 4th and 18th of December. The hosts will be Russ Kohlrust and Bob Hebson, respectively.

We are back down to 2 tables of bridge players. The game of bridge is starting to become more competitive for us as we continue to grow in players and experience.

We normally 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

LET’S GO FISHING

On October 26 five fisherman went trout fishing at Shadow Cliffs in Pleasanton. Although we caught a total of ZERO fish, we had a good time in good weather.

Our next outing will likely be in January in rented boats at Capitola Pier. (Plans are in the works and will be advertised as they are finalized.)

We hold Fishing Activity monthly meetings following each Branch Luncheon. This last meeting we determined that we now have 11 members.

More information is available on our web site at:

<http://branch62.sirinc2.org> .

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