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BRANCH # 62



The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of
Sunnyvale Branch #62
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at
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Devoted to the Promotion of Independence
and Dignity in Retirement
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May 2018

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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 makeup for missing our Luncheon

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**MONTHLY ATTENDANCE REPORT
 SUNNYVALE BRANCH 62 SONS IN RETIREMENT
 MEMBERSHIP FOR APRIL 19, 2018**

Attending	40
Guests	1
Transferred In	0
Transferred Out (Past Month)	0
Resigned	0
Deceased	0
Active	74
Inactive	0
Returned From Inactive	0
Inducted This Month	0
Members in Process	0
Membership	74

SIR WINE TASTING

We had 11 people join us at a luncheon at an Ethiopian restaurant in San Jose on our last outing. I know that some were a little skeptical about eating without utensils but, after a brief dissertation on how to eat the tasty food, everyone seemed to enjoy it-- even the honey wine that Tom Birley purchased. The first few sips were strange but you got used to it. We had planned to do some wine tasting afterward but the J. Lohr Winery could not accommodate all of us, so we passed on it.

About 12 people went to Ruby Hill Winery for a bus tour around their facility and had food pairings and wine tasting afterward. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend so I can assume all had a good time without me - my loss. Jim Hohenshelt hosted the event, since he belonged to the winery.

On May 18th, we are planning to get together at the Stone Stew Persian Restaurant in San Jose and try their cuisine and do some wine tasting. Persian food is another type of food where there are various flavors offered to you in their dishes. Let Jim Hohenshelt or myself know, if you would like to attend.

Interested in joining us on these wine tasting events? Please contact me at phil.thomas@alumni.usc.edu or 408-410-3626.

The Statesmen *SIR* Bowling

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
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Next week we start our position round to see who will play off for the championship. The playoff teams will be announced after the results of the position round are in.

Results of the three day tournament in April at Carson City, Nevada are in and we did not fare so well. Charley Bailey, who is not in our SIR branch, won some money and Ursel Turner, who bowled with us, also won some money. We are just going to have to try harder. The next Tournament is in Reno on the 13th of August. We always have a good time in Reno and hopefully will do better at bowling. Summer League starts on the 15th of May. So far we have 8 teams lined up.

Top Scores so far are:

Scratch Series: 648 Lynn Grilley
 Scratch Game: 235 Bob Hebson
 Handicap Series: 805 Lee Wriglesworth
 Handicap Game: 294 Tom Birley

We have some vacancies, if anyone is interested in taking up the sport of bowling. We meet on Tuesdays at 9:15 at Homestead Lanes in Cupertino. Come by and root for your favorite team.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cheney	20 th	Ernie Huesby	24 th
Henry Crossfield	18 th	Sieg Koch	17 th
Eric Greenhut	26 th	Ron Olson	16 th
Jim Shinmoto	1 st		

LUNCH MENU

MONTH	SALAD	ENTREE
May	Caesar Salad	Chicken Cacciatore
June	Branch 62 Picnic at Ortega Park	

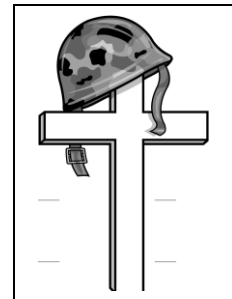
Sick Call:

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.

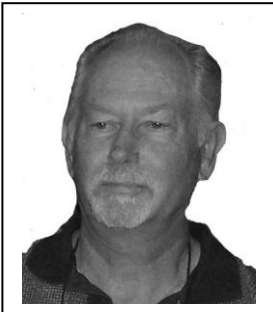
***BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!
 BE ACTIVE!!.. HAVE FUN!!..***



MEMORIAL DAY
May 28th



MOTHER'S DAY
May 13th



*From Our
Big Sir
Phil Thomas*

We had another good speaker; this time on the subject of Sepsis. I had no clue what it is.

We need to find a Little SIR for next year, as it's getting late. Any volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please see me, if you want to get into some fun once a month. I was elated to hear that Rick Henderson volunteered to be our Photographer. No arm twisting needed. Seriously, we need to find a Little SIR.

Once again we need members to bring their wildest shirt to the May meeting. We will have a person or team to select first and second place winners and award them with a prize. Get looking in those unused closets and find that winner.

It sounds like a broken record, but we need to find new members to at least make up for our attrition. Ask them to come to our meeting and join in the activities we have. I can think of no better way to spend my retirement than with the members we have today and the various activities that are available.

Your Big Sir,

Phil Thomas

LUNCH ORDERING INFORMATION

If you buy a ticket and cannot make the meeting, call John Dieckman 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, with your payment, **so that John Dieckman 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 prices for 2018 are \$26.

Please contact John Dieckman at 408-718-5527 or john_dieckman@hotmail.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: John Dieckman, 463 Juniper Court, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, 408-718-5527.

*Use this form **for the May Meeting**, if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the last meeting.

18 HOLE GOLF

We had nine players at the Regional Event in March. First place was won by the team of Jeff Bautista, Tom Birley, A. Goodwin and Bob Pastorino, taking home \$20 each. Dave Riopel was a member of the team coming in second (no doubt due to his significant contributions) and brought home \$10.

The April OPEN is in full swing with the lead changing with each round. There are six qualifiers after three rounds and leading the pack are:

Wally Anderson -9

Walt Marwitz -4

Jack Pettygrove +7

With 2 rounds left, things could change as there will be more qualified players and likely some more good scores.

May will be coordinated by John Dieckman

7 – Spring Valley

14 – Santa Teresa

21 – Regional at Pajaro Valley

28 – Deep Cliff

Submitted by Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chair (408) 480-4900.
May and June contributions will be prepared by John Dieckman.

MAY SPEAKER

Our May speaker is Ron Sheffield, Scientist and former Manager of the Extravehicular Activity and Crew Systems of the Hubble Space Telescope Program for Lockheed Martin. His topic: The Hubble Space Telescope Program. His presentation will cover the physical description, characteristics and historical background of the Hubble from 1985 to the 2009 Servicing Mission. He will also touch on the many historical scientific discoveries made over the 20 plus years of activities of the Hubble.

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

April 4th 6 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: John Howard 27

2nd Low Net: Henry Crossfield, Don Stuedeman 28

3rd Low Net: Tom Birley 31

Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

April 18th 6 Players

C.T.P. NONE

1st Low Net: Tom Birley 22

2nd Low Net: Don Stuedeman 30

3rd Low Net: Bob Hebson 32

Birds & Chip-ins: Don Stuedeman (C)

April 25th 9 Players

C.T.P. Jim Anderson 25'

1st Low Net: Jack Pettygrove 24

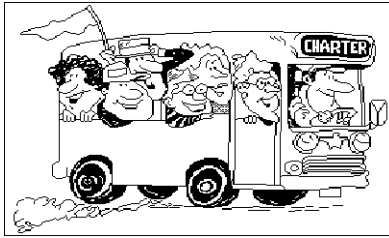
2nd Low Net: Jim Anderson, Bob Hebson,
Don Stuedeman 26

3rd Low Net: John Howard

Birds & Chip-ins: Jim Anderson (C)

KRAZY SHIRT DAY

Our Big Sir had declared May 17th as Crazy Shirt Day. We haven't had this event in a few years. Dig out that weird or crazy shirt and wear it to the next meeting. Prizes will be awarded for the "Craziest Shirts".



SIR TRAVEL - BRANCH 62

Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt at (408 394-7226).

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.

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

Trips scheduled by other SIR branches are described in the Area 12 Travel Bulletin. Please contact one of the travel chairmen if you would like to receive the Bulletin.

2019 Trips We are planning a **cruise** on the **Rhine River** for **June 2019**, perhaps between Vienna and Amsterdam and including the Main River, the Main-Danube Canal, and the Danube to Vienna. Another alternative is between Amsterdam and Basel, with a side trip on the Mosel River.

For **November 2019**, we are planning a trip to **Vietnam** from Hanoi to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) and the Mekong Delta with cities in between, and optional extensions to Angkor Wat and Hong Kong.

Actual selection of trips and details of prices, dates, etc. are yet to come.

BRIDGE CLUB

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 1st and 16h of May and the 5th of June. The hosts will be Richard Pope, Roger Falberg and Russ Kohlrust, respectively. We are back at Roger's office to hold our games.

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

SPECIAL BRIDGE CLUB EVENT

Since there are five Tuesdays in May, there will be an extra mixed double bridge event on Tuesday, May 29th at the Garrett Business Center. Let Roger Falberg know if you plan to play at 408-980-8700 or falberg@att.net.

BRANCH 62 WEB SITE

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

<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>

Bookmark it for easy access.

BOCCE BALL

On April 27th, four players enjoyed the Bocce Ball event.