



BIG SIR REPORT

At our last lunch meeting at Mariani's, I was shocked to learn that our lunches at that restaurant will end in November. Mariani's will be closing the end of this calendar year for renovation. It will stay closed for about six months. Not to worry, our December holiday dinner will still take place at Mariani's.

Prior to this event, some of our members have complained about the food quality and lunch cost at Mariani's Restaurant. Wally Anderson volunteered to head a committee to find our branch a better and/or less expensive place to meet to enjoy our meal and speaker presentation. Now, this effort has taken on a much more urgent need! If you are aware of a place in the Sunnyvale or adjacent areas that can provide a meal at reasonable cost and has a room with a capacity of forty or so, please let Wally know.

One of the presentations at our State Sir meetings in September showed that all areas except one have lost membership this past year. Our Area 11 was no exception. To keep Branch 62 alive and going, we must recruit new, younger members. If you encounter others who you think might enjoy the many activities and social events we offer, please invite them to attend one of our lunches and meet the leaders of our activities.

Your Big Sir,

John Dieckman

October 2019

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Sunnyvale Branch # 62

SONS IN RETIREMENT

A Non-Profit Organization of Retired Men

Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity in Retirement

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at
Mariani's Restaurant
2500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara
Fellowship at 11 AM, Luncheon begins at 12 Noon

OCTOBER SPEAKER

For our October meeting, Judge L. Michael Clark will speak on "The Santa Clara County Criminal Drug Treatment Court and Rehabilitation Program". Judge Clark will share stories about how the Santa Clara County Superior Court helps addicted criminal defendants find sobriety and avoid recidivism through an innovative program called Drug Treatment Court.

Note: At our September Board Meeting SIR Area Governor Bob Grandey said he had heard Judge Clark speak and his talk was EXCELLENT!

OFFICERS

| | | | |
|------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Big Sir | John Dieckman | Asst. Secretary | Wally Anderson |
| Little Sir | Dave Riopel | Treasurer | Roger Falberg |
| Secretary | Bob Pastorino | Asst. Treasurer | Leon Kowaleski |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| Jeff Bautista | John Howard | Gerhard Schneider |
| Ron Olson | Mike Miller | |

COMMITTEES

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|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Attendance | Tom Birley | Newsletter | Jim Mellenger |
| Audit | Mel Waldman | | John McGuire |
| | Wally Anderson | | John Dieckman |
| | Heber Slusser | Nominations | Phil Thomas |
| Book Swap | Ted Crutchfield | | John Steele |
| Bowling | Tom Birley | Photography | Rick Henderson |
| | Leon Kowaleski | Program | Walt Strach |
| | Phil Thomas | Property | Henry Crossfield |
| Bridge | Phil Thomas | RAMP | |
| Chaplain | Bob Hebson | Chair | Jim Hohenshelt |
| Poker | Mel Waldman | Recruitment | Jeff Bautista |
| Condolence | Wally Anderson | Activities | <i>Volunteer Wanted</i> |
| Directory | Heber Slusser | Membership | Heber Slusser |
| Fishing | Heber Slusser | Publicity | Heber Slusser |
| | Wally Anderson | | |
| Golf, 9 Hole | Tom Birley | | |
| | Dave Riopel | Sir Logo Items | Phil Thomas |
| Golf, 18 Hole | Paul Goodwin | Songster | Leon Kowaleski |
| Greeters | Dave Riopel | Special Events | Tom Birley |
| Guests & Visitors | Dave Riopel | | Bob Byers |
| Historian | Wally Anderson | Sunshine | Wally Anderson |
| Humorist | Don Coletti | Transportation | <i>Volunteer Wanted</i> |
| Lunch Tickets | Roy Jordan | Travel | Jim Hohenshelt |
| Membership | Heber Slusser | | Roy Jordan |
| | | Wine Tasting | Phil Thomas |
| | | Webmaster | Heber Slusser |

Branch 62 Wine Tasting Club

Sorry to say I have nothing new to report, but I will be putting together a wine tasting trip soon. Watch for an email in the near future.

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

Phil Thomas, Wine Tasting Publicist

18 Hole Golf

No Report was submitted this month.

STATE OFFICERS

State President: Ed Benson
 Region 4 Director: Patrick O'Keefe
 Area 11 Governor: Bob Grandey

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ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS: If you do not attend five (5) meetings without a suitable excuse within the last twelve (12) months, you may be dropped from the membership. You can attend another Branch's Luncheon as a makeup for missing our Luncheon.

NON-RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE

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Sick Call & Condolence Notification:

Please report illnesses or the passing of any Branch 62 member to the Sunshine Committee: Wally Anderson, (408) 736-6408, so that Branch 62 may respond.

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.

2020 BRANCH 62 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Dave Riopel
 Little Sir: Jeff Bautista
 New Directors: Mike Miller &
 Gerhard Schneider
 Returning Directors: John Howard &
 Ron Olson



**MEL WALDMAN
 HAPPY 25th ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations Mel for your
 Quarter Century of Active
 Membership in Branch 62.

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

SIR FISHING

We're going to the ocean again!!!

Our next planned fishing trip will take us to the ocean from Monterey. We will be hoping to catch Rock Fish (Cod).

Please contact Heber Slusser, if you wish to join us. You don't need to know how to fish or have equipment to join in this experience.



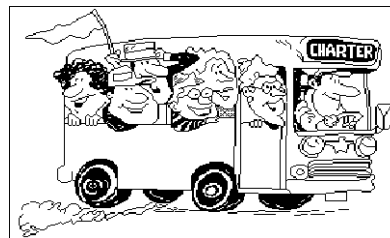
Heber Slusser, Fishing Publicist

WELCOME

Tom Chatfield is a new member of SIR Branch 62. Please welcome him to our group.

Tom's interests include:

- Hiking
- Walking
- Bowling
- Bridge



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.

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

Dec. 4th, 2019, Beach Blanket Babylon Holiday Show: This trip is essentially full (1 ticket left as of this writing). The news says this will be the last ever Beach Blanket Babylon performance. Lunch is served at Swiss Louis Restaurant on Pier 39 prior to the show. Transportation from the South Bay area is provided (depart 12:30 PM, return approximately 8:30 PM). If you would like to go on a standby list in case of cancellations, email Jim at jim_hohenshelt@yahoo.com.

Oct. 3rd – 15th, 2020: Paris to Normandy: Travel from Paris via Caen to Honfleur and meet our river cruise ship. Tour the D-Day invasion beaches and the American cemetery. Then depart on a cruise up the Seine River to Paris, calling at Rouen, Les Andelys, Vernon (Giverny), and Pontoise. More information and brochures available soon.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

September 19, 2019

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|-------------------|----|------------|---|
| Members Attending | 45 | Guests | 3 |
| Active | 66 | In Process | 0 |

SIR BOWLING

President Secretary Treasurer
Tom Birley Phil Thomas Mal Hopkins
408-736-8869 408-410-3626 408-720-0849

We have started our Winter League and have 8 teams of balanced players. We have 4 openings, if anyone is interested in joining us.

Top Scores of the season are:

Scratch Series:

633 Steve Bishop and 508 Mary Roth

Scratch Game:

243 Bob Hebson and 181 Pat Hutton

Handicap Series: TBD

Handicap Game: TBD

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

I have negotiated a company to manufacture our SIR bowling shirts. The approximate cost per shirt is \$50. They will be embroidered with the new SIR emblem in the back. As I learn more I will pass it along to you. As a side note, we can purchase golf shirts like the one Bob Grandey wore at our last meeting for \$30 per shirt. Please contact me if you are interested in purchasing one or both.

Phil Thomas, Bowling Publicist

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| Carl Del Rosario | 10/05 |
| Mal Hopkins | 10/31 |
| Bob Lowery | 10/18 |
| Don Maxwell | 10/02 |
| Gerhard Schneider | 10/21 |
| Walt Strach | 10/19 |

R & B 9 HOLE GOLF

Tom Birley/ Dave Riopel Co-Chairmen

August 4th 8 Players

C.T.P. Tom Birley 2'6"
1st Low Net: Leon Kowaleski, John Howard 26
2nd Low Net: Alex Fremling 29
3rd Low Net: Tom Birley 32
Birds & Chip-ins: NONE

August 11th 6 Players

C.T.P. Tom Birley 10'3"
1st Low Net: Leon Kowaleski 25
2nd Low Net: Tom Birley 26
3rd Low Net: John Howard 28
Birds & Chip-ins: Dave Riopel (C)

August 24th 5 Players

C.T.P. Tom Birley 25'5"
1st Low Net: John Howard 25
2nd Low Net: Tom Birley 28
3rd Low Net: Jack Pettygrove 30
Birds & Chip-Ins: NONE

Do You Want to Car Pool?

Please visit our interactive Car Pool page on our web site at <http://branch62.sirinc2.org>. 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

BRIDGE CLUB

The next three scheduled meetings will be held on the 1st of October, the 15th of October and the 5th of November. The hosts will be Leon Kowaleski, Phil Thomas and John Dieckman respectively.

We continue to fill 2 tables of bridge and continue to look for filling 3 tables.

If anyone is interested in learning or getting back into the game of bridge please see Roger Falberg or myself and we will get you started.

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

LUNCH MENU

OCT Boat Fruit Salad Spaghetti Marinara w/ Meatballs

NOV Chef Salad Roasted Turkey

BRANCH 62 WEB SITE

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

<http://branch62.sirinc2.org>

Heber Slusser

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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 2019 is \$26.

**Please contact Dave Riopel at
408-482-1454 or
driopel@msn.com**

SONS IN RETIREMENT

Branch 62

LUNCHEON ORDER FORM*

**MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE
WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING**

I wish to order a salad () or entrée () of the month for the meeting in the month of _____.

Included with this form is payment of \$26. 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 October meeting**, if you did not buy a lunch ticket at the July meeting.

**Sons in Retirement
Sunnyvale Branch 62**



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