

September 2021

The ROOSTER

The Monthly Bulletin of

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 second Thursday of the month at
Holder's Country Inn
998 South De Anza Blvd., San Jose
Fellowship at 11 AM
Luncheon begins at 12 Noon



Big SIR Report

My fellow Sirs,

Well, we had our first luncheon for Branch 62 at Holder's Country Inn on August 12th and while there were a few minor hiccups, I believe it was a success. We all enjoyed the talk presented by our own Rod Stafford when he discussed Ham Radio. It was an excellent presentation and we all thank you, Rod. If you were not able to make the luncheon, please make an effort to come to the next one on Thursday, September 9th.

We did have a couple of guests, courtesy of Paul Goodwin, so thank you Paul. Now let's get them to join Branch 62.

Please note that the Luncheons are the 2nd Thursday of each month, so mark your calendars for September 9th at 11am.

Thank you.
Your Big Sir,
Wally Anderson

September Meeting Speaker

"Three Years of Fishing in Alaska"

John Dieckman will detail in pictures and provide a commentary of SIR fishing trips to Alaska in 2018, 2019, and 2020. These trips were organized by Heber Slusser, but John is the only Sir that went on all three fishing trips. John has been a member of Branch 62 for 14 years and was Big Sir in 2019.

Lunch 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. For those who have not purchased an advance ticket for the luncheon on September 9th, please contact:

Steve Burnham

10940 Santa Teresa Dr

Cupertino, CA 95014

or call at 408-931-2361

or e-mail to stephen_burnham@yahoo.com

to indicate your intent to attend the luncheon. Payment (\$28) may be included if mailing in the notice, or may be made at the door.

September 9th Menu*

Trout Florentine Chicken Alfredo

Chicken Cordon Bleu Baked Lasagna

New York Steak

All entrees served with a dinner salad.

Place your order with the server.

*A detailed description of these menu items is shown on page 5.

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Little Sir	Leon Kowaleski	Treasurer	Roger Falberg
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	Dave Riopel	Special Events	Tom Birley
Golf, 18 Hole	Paul Goodwin		Bob Byers
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Guests & Visitors	Dave Riopel	Transportation	
Historian	Wally Anderson	Travel	Jim Hohenshelt
Humorist	Don Coletti		Roy Jordan
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Membership	Heber Slusser	Webmaster	Heber Slusser
			Mike Miller

STATE OFFICERS

State President: Stu Williams
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Bridge

Now that we are transitioning out of COVID-19 isolation, we will meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at Roger Falberg’s office, 3375 Scott Blvd. office 332 in Santa Clara Clara starting July 6th. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, we will continue to play online using Bridge Base.

We play every week on Tuesdays at 1:30. Roger Falberg organizes the play and sends each player the table positions and hosts prior to our gathering time for online play. If you want to join us, let Roger know ahead of time so he can arrange the player tables. If you want to learn how to register or use BBO, contact Roger or me.

John Dieckman – Bridge Publicist

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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.

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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. V3jmcg

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.

BE A SIR!!.. BE COMMITTED!!

BE ACTIVE!!.. HAVE FUN!!..



FALL BEGINS

September 22nd

18 Hole Golf

The eight players who took the challenge of the Area Tournament did not do us proud. Out of 13 teams, they came in tied with three others for 6th and a sole group in 8th. They did have fun though! Walter Marwitz won his flight and qualified to move on to the State Championship event. Glenn Herrell and Wally Anderson came 2nd and 3rd in their flight. Dave Riopel took 3rd in his flight. Looks like we didn't put the right guys together for a winning team. Individually, the group did well.

The August Area Tournament had the location changed and filled up almost immediately. Our group did not get in. We look forward to September.

Tournament Coordinator for September is Walter Marwitz

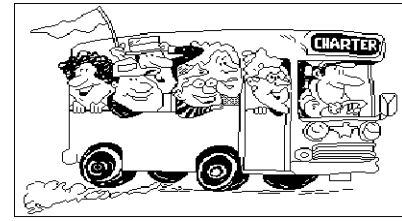
Sep 6 – Gilroy

Sep 13 – San Jose Muni

Sep 20 – Moffett Field

Sep 27 – Area Tournament at Laguna Seca – 10:00 for \$65

Paul Goodwin
18 Hole Golf Chairman



SIR Travel – Branch 62
Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt
(408 394-7226).

Assistant: Roy Jordan (408 735-8765).

Our two travel chairmen will be traveling themselves after the August 12 luncheon, with Jim returning four days prior to the September 9th luncheon, and Roy just after.

Branch 32 has informed us of two trips it is planning. May 20–25, 2022, Chicago All Access & Wisconsin, includes Gangster Tour, Frank Lloyd Wright Architecture, Wrigley Field, Cruise on the Chicago River. October 2–10, 2022, Explore the Northwest on a cruise on the Columbia River from Clarkston WA to Vancouver, WA. Information on both trips from John Pletsch at (408) 504-1255 or jeplet@sbcglobal.net, or Mike Console at (408) 246-1080.

There are a few trips in the July 2021 State SIR Travel Opportunities newsletter. Holland (Michigan) Tulip Festival & Mackinac Island (May 12-19, 2022) is presented by Branch 143, Bill Stires at 209-988-5445. Fort Lauderdale to San Francisco aboard the Ruby Princess (March 12-17, 2022) is presented by Branch 146, Milt Smith, miltsmith549@gmail.com, and Columbia and Snake River Cruise (May 12, 2022), Branch 128, Tan Matosian, tgmatt54@gmail.com.

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

Walking Program

Tom Chatfield has organized a Branch Walking Group. Contact Tom at 408 736 8044 or by e-mail at tchatfield761@gmail.com if you have interest or comments.

Suspended Activities

Please note that **Bocce Ball and Wine Tasting** activities have been suspended for the time being.

Membership Report

Active Members 56

August Meeting Attendance 30

SIR Bowling

President Vice President Treasurer

Tom Birley Phil Thomas Leon Kowaleski
(408)489-4815 (408)410-3626 (408)446-1129

After 20 weeks, we are in the second half of the Summer League and have Team 8, consisting of Chas Bailey, David Jeong and Gwen Jeong, in first place with 25 wins and 11 losses. Team 6, consisting of Ursel Tuner, Mary Roth and Don Paulson, is in second place with 22 wins and 14 losses.

Top Scores So Far

Scr. Series: 614 Lynn Grilley and 508 Nina Middaugh
Scr. Game: 228 Stephen Bishop and 186 Mary Roth
Hand. Series: 706 David Jeong and 686 Dottie Birley
Hand. Game: 260 George Center and 256 Marlys Byers

Tom Birley, League President

Meeting Cash Awards

Remember that, in addition to \$25 cash birthday awards at our Monthly Luncheon Meetings, there will be one additional \$25 cash attendance award. Remember, you must be present on Zoom or in person to be eligible to receive an award. Be involved and have a shot at these riches.

August Winners:

Birthday Prize: Paul Forney
Attendance Prize: Bobbie Byers

9 Hole Golf

Nine-hole golf is played at Sunken Gardens at 9AM each Wednesday. We currently have three players and can get tee times for more. We don't play as a tournament; we just enjoy a round of golf and the friendship of our fellow Sirs. Come out and play. Please let me know if you want to join us.

Tom Birley, 9 Hole golf Chairman

September Birthdays

Fred Carlson	4 th	Dave Riopel	20 th
John McGuire	30 th	Mike Sanchez	12 th
Carl Mendel	5 th		

Help Needed!!

Volunteers are needed in Branch 62:

RAMP Activities Chairman

Bowling Publicist

Transportation

Health & Safety

Increase your enjoyment by actively participating in our branch. We are 100% dependent on volunteers. Being a volunteer will help you become more acquainted with other members and provide the satisfaction of helping your fellow members.

September 6th



Branch 62 Web Site

Have you visited our web site lately?
Want to read the joke from the luncheon?
Need to contact the speaker?
Forgot the luncheon's speaker details?
Want to see what other members are doing during COVID-19?
Want to read back issues of the Rooster?

Get all of this and more on our Web Site at:
<https://sirinc2.org/branch62/index.php>
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branch62sir@gmail.com

Details of The September 9th Menu

- Trout Florentine (pan seared with spinach, mushrooms and lemon butter sauce. Served with rice and fresh vegetables)
- Chicken Alfredo (chicken, mushrooms and broccoli tossed with Alfredo sauce and linguine pasta. Served with slice of garlic bread)
- Chicken Cordon Bleu (chicken, ham and Swiss cheese topped with lemon butter sauce. Served with rice and fresh vegetables)
- Baked Lasagna (Lasagna made with ground beef and country sausage, topped with marinara sauce and jack and cheddar cheese)
- New York Steak (charred to your preference. Served with a baked potato and fresh vegetables)

Abstract of Minutes of Branch Executive Committee (BEC) August 5, 2021

For complete details of the minutes go to the Branch 62 website at
<https://sirinc2.org/branch62/index.php>.

Big Sir: Wally Anderson: Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Wally welcomed everyone to our Zoom meeting. The first order of business was a discussion about moving the Rooster date to earlier in the month. After much discussion, it was determined that we will leave it as is on the first of the month. Next was going over a spread sheet provided by Heber of the members who have not paid their dues and not attended meetings. There were six members who we are considering dropping. We will call them again before doing so. There was some discussion about starting a phone call team to help notify members that do not have email or text. This way we can get them information on lunches and other information. It was decided that we would wait till after our first in person luncheon to decide if we should move forward. Wally had some encouraging news on possible new members as he has been talking to Richard Simpson about joining. Wally said Dave Riopel has someone and Bob Cheney may have four and Paul Goodwin has two people. That is exciting news.



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