



Big Sir Report

My fellow Sirs:

Late breaking news: Holder’s Country Inn caught fire the morning of the 27th and is currently closed We are unsure how long until (or if) the restaurant is in business again. For August (at least, maybe longer), the BEC meeting will be held via Zoom at 11:00 on the second Thursday of the month (8/11) with the luncheon following at noon, as we did for many months during the initial stages of the COVID epidemic. Thank you Heber and Mike for making this possible to /happen.

Attempts to replace Chaplain Bob Hebson led to one volunteer to take on the position, who withdrew the idea a few days later. Discussion at the BEC meeting led to a proposal to eliminate the position. The feeling behind that suggestion is that, since we are an apolitical organization, we should probably be a-religious as well. I can see two sides to this idea. One is that, if a Muslim (Hindu, atheist, whatever) were to be invited to join our group, they might be greatly turned off by an overtly Christian invocation. The other side of the same equation is that it has been a traditional part of our Luncheon agenda. When an informal poll was taken at the July luncheon meeting, it seemed that those expressing an opinion were about 4-1 in favor of eliminating the position. If you have a strong opinion either way, please contact a board member before the August BEC meeting (August 11, 11:00 a.m. via Zoom), at which time we will discuss the position again and resolve how we will proceed.

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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.
In August on line using Zoom
BEC meeting at 11 AM
Luncheon meeting at 12 Noon

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5901729440?pwd=RFZwQmI3eFZYOFRHc1R2ZGVxbUtlUT09>

Phone Zoom Link Information:

Phone: 415-762-9988 or 408-638-0968

Participant ID: Press the # key

Meeting ID: 590 172 9440

Password: 62

Lunch Information

In the early morning hours of August 27th, 2022, Holder’s Restaurant suffered a fire that made the site unusable. Since our lunch site is gone, we will be holding our August meeting on zoom.

August Speaker

Our August speaker is Enni Tehrani. She will speak to us about a program where, if you are hearing impaired, you can have a telephone installed that will help you understand telephone speech much better.

OFFICERS

Big Sir	Steve Burnham	Asst. Secretary	Dave Riopel
Little Sir	Barry Boole	Treasurer	Roger Falberg
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Attendance	Tom Birley	Newsletter	John McGuire
Audit	Mel Waldman		John Dieckman
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	Heber Slusser	Nominations	Phil Thomas
Bocce Ball	Wally Anderson		John Steele
Book Swap	Lynn Grilley		Heber Slusser
Bowling	Tom Birley	Photography	Bob Pasterino
	Phil Thomas	Program	John Dieckman
		Property	Henry Crossfield
Bridge	John Dieckman	RAMP	
Chaplain	none	Chair	Jim Hohenshelt
Poker	Mel Waldman	Recruitment	Jeff Bautista
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Directory	Heber Slusser	Membership	Heber Slusser
Fishing	Heber Slusser	Publicity	Heber Slusser
	Wally Anderson	Sir Logo Items	Phil Thomas
Golf, 9 Hole	Tom Birley	Songster	Roger Falberg
	Dave Riopel	Special Events	Tom Birley
	Paul Goodwin		Bob Byers
Golf, 18 Hole	Dave Riopel	Sunshine	Wally Anderson
Greeters	Dave Riopel	Transportation	
Guests & Visitors	Wally Anderson	Travel	Jim Hohenshelt
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Humorist	Roy Jordan	Wine Tasting	Dave Riopel
Lunch Tickets	Heber Slusser	Webmaster	Heber Slusser
Membership			Mike Miller

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State President: Richard K. Kindle
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 Area 11 Governor: Phil Thomas

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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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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!!..

Bocce and Cornhole

We had five players at Questa Park on July 7th and we all had a great time. Our future outings will be on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month.

Thursday August 4th, 2PM at Questa Park,
Thursday August 18st, 2PM at Almaden Lake Park.

Wally Anderson
Bocce and Cornhole Coordinator

August Anniversaries

Fred Carlson	30 Years
Henry Crossfield	20 Years
Paul Forney	20 Years

Bridge

We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at Roger Falberg's office, 3375 Scott Blvd. office 332 in Santa Clara to play in person. On the other Tuesdays, we play online using Bridge Base Online browser app.

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 either on line or face to face play. If you want to join us, let Roger know ahead of time so he can arrange the player tables.

John Dieckman – Bridge Publicist

Membership Report

Active Members	54
July Meeting Attendance	18

18 Hole Golf

The Zoom with the state golf chair and attending branch chairs was informative. The State SIR Reno event was cancelled due to lack of interest. They had a contract for 100 rooms and golfers. They got 40 room requests and 52 golfers, and 7 of those were women. The discussion centered around the scramble format. Many chairs said the golfers from their branch wanted to play with their friends and the scramble format doesn't permit that due to the ABCD structure. The fall getaway is still on.

State has been negotiating with Golf Genius to find a state level purchase option that branches can use. The offer at that time was \$3,000 and limited branch options for \$300 regardless of branch size. Hopefully, they will have a solution by the next state Zoom meeting.

The app MYNCGA is being replaced with 'USGA GHIN'. I have loaded it and it does all the old app does and more. Even shows the heat pattern of the greens. (And why do I need to know that?). When you install it, the MYNCGA is automatically replaced.

Tournament Coordinator for August is Alice Goodwin

Aug 1 – Spring Valley

Aug 8 – Los Lagos (Walt Marwitz TC)

Aug 15 – San Jose Muni

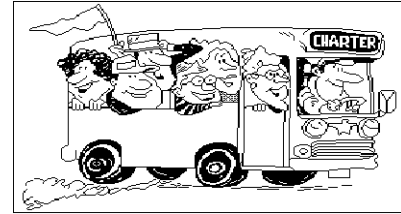
Aug 22 – Area at Pacific Grove

Aug 29 – Sunnyvale Muni

Paul Goodwin, 18 Hole Golf Chairman

SIR 62 Fishing Program

It was decided at our last meeting that we would travel to Ketchikan, AK to fish in the second half of July 2023.



SIR TRAVEL – BRANCH 62

Travel Chairman: Jim Hohenshelt (408 394-7226). jim_hohenshelt@yahoo.com

Assistant: Roy Jordan (408 735-8765)

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We have gotten word from State SIR of some 2023 trips. **Ireland and Northern Ireland**, April 14-27, 2023, (limited to 24 participants). \$5395 pp/dbl occ., \$6195 single. **Autumn Colors trip to East Coast**, Oct. 13-22, 2023. \$4330 pp/dbl. occ. plus air fare to be added in December. Roy has the contact information to get brochures and additional information.

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

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On another matter, Dave Riopel thought it would be a good idea to have a wine tasting once a month at this house. He then had surgery, and has been recuperating from that ever since, such that he could not implement the event. Jim Hohenshelt thought it such a good idea for an event that he volunteered his place as a site to hold it in August (on the 19th). Look for further details In Wine Tasting in this newsletter.

Thank you,

Your Big Sir
Steve Burnham

SIR Bowling

President	Vice President	Publicist
Tom Birley (408) 489-4815	Phil Thomas (408) 410-3626	Lynn Grilley (408) 482-3845

At the end of week 6, Team 4 in 1st place at 16 wins and 8 losses. Ursel Turner now has the high handicap series for women.

Men	Women
Scratch Series: 659 Lynn Grilley	485 Pat Hutton
Scratch Game: 241 Tom Birley	167 Ursel Turner
Handicap Series: 662 Ted Wadholm	647 Ursel Turner
Handicap Game: 259 Phil Thomas	240 Gwen Jeong

Lynn Grilly
Bowling Publicist

Meeting Cash Awards

Remember that, in addition to one \$25 cash birthday award at our Monthly Luncheon Meeting; 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.

June Winners:

Birthday: Jim Hohenshelt
Attendance: Bob Hebson

July Winners:

Birthday: Mike Miller
Attendance: Mel Waldman

9 Hole Golf

Nine Hole Golf has been suspended for the time being.
Tom Birley, 9 Hole Golf Chairman

August Birthdays

Paul Forney 27th

Wine Tasting

On Friday, August 19, at 2 PM Jim and Margaret Hohenshelt will be hosting the next wine tasting event at their home. Please bring a small munchie (hors d'oeuvre) to share along with a bottle of your favorite wine and be prepared to describe why it is your favorite.

RSVP to Jim Hohenshelt 408-394-7226
jim_hohenshelt@yahoo.com

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Help Needed!!

Volunteers are needed in Branch 62:
Newsletter Editor
RAMP Activities Chairman
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.

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 an interest or comments.

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 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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Abstract of Minutes of the July Branch Executive Committee (BEC)

Big Sir: Steve Burnham: Opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Steve welcomed everyone to our BEC meeting. Steve asked for suggestions for a new Chaplain since Bob Hebson has left SIR. Heber Slusser made a motion to not relace the Chaplain. After some discussion, it was agreed upon to ask for a volunteer at the Luncheon and then discuss again at the August BEC meeting and decide then. Steve also brought up for discussion our request to allow Women to join our Branch. We agreed that it is a positive move, so we asked Area Governor Phil Thomas to submit a request for our Branch. Next, the various committee reports were given.

New Business: Steve thanked everyone who helped with the June Picnic and made it an enjoyable one. Heber Slusser said he is collecting the leftover stuff from the picnic and will store it away till next year. Paul Goodwin and Jim Hohenshelt said they will try to find metal utensils to buy for next year. Roger Falberg said that Jim Hohenshelt has agreed to be the new Treasurer sometime in the next year.

Old Business: none.

The meeting was adjourned.



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