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BIG SIR—*Bob Bundy*



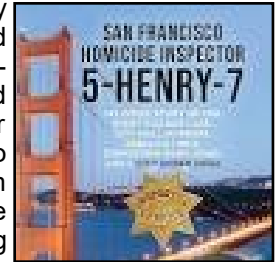
We had a lively board meeting on the 21st. We talked about the state plans to revamp the hierarchy to support the local branches rather than just ask for compliance. They have even made more of the reports online so everything should be easier. There was a focus on increasing membership, and while we are doing well and are one of the higher performing branches, there were some good suggestions that we discussed at our board meeting. We have put all the membership goals in one basket and that is Kelley Reid who is doing a great job. Remember his challenge to everyone to have every member bring in at least one new member in 2023, and the member that brings in the most new members will be treated to lunch for two at the Olympic Club. The board felt it would be a good idea to provide Kelley with more support and create a committee with Michael Sommer, Ted Pullen, and Tom Verkozen. In reality everyone should consider themselves a member of the membership committee but the established committee will come up with some new concepts and ideas. We also felt we had depended on Ted Pullen too much as the chair of the activities committee. We felt that we should give Ted some additional support and additional ideas for activities. Bob Phillips is involved with a low stress mountain biking group and invites SIRS members to join him if you are interested in an easy mostly fire road mountain biking experience. E-bikes are also encouraged for this ride. He is also a member of the adult chess club at Indian Valley College and can invite SIRS members to join him for a more intellectual pursuit. I would like any SIRS member interested in road biking to join me any Friday for scenic road bike rides around Marin County. E-bikes are also

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LITTLE SIR—*Michael Sommer*



Our speakers on October 5th will be Frank Falzon and the co-author of his biography 5-HENRY-7, Duffy Jennings. Frank Falzon is a highly decorated and accomplished police inspector who investigated more than 300 murders and other cases during his 28-year career with the San Francisco Police Department, 22 of them in the homicide detail. He played a key role in breaking the notorious Night Stalker case, investigated his childhood friend and former fellow cop for the murders of San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk, participated in the Zodiac, Zebra, and Juan Corona serial murder investigations, and other high-profile cases. He was a recipient of the San Francisco Police Department's highest honor, the Gold Medal of Valor. He also earned a Gold Medal Medallion as the city's Bravest Police Officer and numerous commendations and was the department's 1978 Police Officer of the Year. In addition to his role on the Netflix "Night Stalker" limited series, Falzon has appeared in "The Most Dangerous Animal of All" mini-series, Court TV's "I,



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EVITE LUNCHEON SIGN-UP INSTRUCTIONS

Remember to type your meal preference in the comments section when you say "yes" and will attend. The meal choices are shown nearby. If you are not coming, please say "no" to the Evite so we won't miss anyone.

October 5th Luncheon

Pork Schnitzel w/Warm Potato Salad, or
Salmon w/Mango Papaya Sauce, or
Vegetarian
Added Treat: BEER!


MEMBERSHIP REPORT September 2023	
TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERS - 9/1/23	77
GAINS DURING MONTH	1
Harry McKellop	
LOSSES DURING MONTH	0
TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERS - 10/1/23	78

Call Don Beers at 332-3926 if you can't attend a luncheon

October 2023 Birthdays		
110	Karl Baeck	October 1
8	Dan Edwards	October 3
59	Paul Donohue	October 10
33	Charlie Monte	October 10
89	Allen Barr	October 11
141	Steven Bearg	October 16
114	Kelley Reid	October 19
22	Raymond Zavislak	October 23
27	Don Troya	October 25

SUNSHINE & SHADOWS
Ken Kauer, Chairman, 472-2334
(No e-mail)

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encouraged, and the route is usually 20-25 miles with some modest elevations. Not to be outdone, Ken Kauer has joined a bowling league in Petaluma, and anyone interested in bowling is invited to contact him about the details of this program. Of course, we have golf and if you are not already in the group, please contact Jens Erlingsson or Ron Radtke for details. Interested in reviving a mis-spent youth, join Bob Phillips at the Silver Peso in Larkspur for pool after our regular luncheon meeting or after the board meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month around 1:30 at the most infamous dive bar in Marin.

Dick Robinson, Secretary 

Executive Committee meeting of 9/21:

Previous minutes approved.

Treasurer confirmed we are in good fiscal position. Report approved.

Membership outreach ideas were discussed. A membership committee of Verkozen, Sommer, Bundy will actively recruit new members. We have hired a webmaster (Goodspeed). Membership ideas discussed : improve website, put sign-board outside entrance to monthly meetings, use Nextdoor, Facebook and any other social media to promote our branch, staff a table at next year's senior fair.

New Member approved: Harry McKellop

Activities committee expanded to include Ted Pullen, Bundy, Sommer and any others interested. Lion King now has 52 going on 12/13

Ladd Sievenpiper will lead a group hike on October 5 at 9am meeting at the Hamilton radio tower parking lot . After the hike the group will attend the October lunch meeting.

After adjourning, an email vote confirmed October 5 meeting will include free Octoberfest beer! Christmas lunch pricing to be confirmed in October Horologium.

Submitted by Bob Rigler

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Detective" series, and some two dozen documentaries on the City Hall Murders. Frank, born in San Francisco, has an Associate of Science degree in criminology from City College of San Francisco. He and his wife, Donna, live in Marin County, CA and they have four grown children, including two in law enforcement, and nine grandchildren. Frank and Duffy will have copies of their book at the luncheon to purchase so bring a little extra cash with you this month.

BRANCH 7 ACTIVITIES

ROAD BIKING



Anyone for road biking? I regularly ride with a group of friends on Friday starting at 9:30 from various locations in Marin. A leisurely pace but about 20-25 miles and some significant hills on some routes. Usually, 6-10 of the regulars on the ride with others on the list showing up on occasion. We always have a location for coffee and pastries, although the Sausalito ride usually stops at FISH for lunch. Good social commentary with borderline philosophy discussions. E-bikes are used by some and welcomed on the ride. For more information about this ride, contact Bob Bundy at bundyworld@comcast.net.

GENTLE OFF-ROAD BIKING



Contact me, Bob Phillips, at 415-301-1906 (Bob.phillips3@gmail.com) if you are interested in off-road bike rides or want more information. There are miles of paved, dirt, and gravel pathways in Marin that make for relatively easy bike riding. We can set up several weekly or bi-weekly rides in advance with a meeting time and place to go on a ride together. The intent is to establish this as a SIR Branch 7 activity. I will arrive early (11am) at the September 7th luncheon to meet and discuss. But call me before if you like.

CHESS



If you like playing chess and want to play in-person games, come to the Chess Club on Friday afternoons at 2 pm at the College of Marin Kentfield Campus in the Humiston Reading Room of the Student Services Building. Usually there's about 8 players with room for more. We try to adhere to "touch -rule" chess and use of a chess clock and time setting is optional. Call me if you have questions or want more information. Bob Phillips 415-301-1906. Or email at bob.phillips3@gmail.com. This is not a SIR Club. Rather it is a club within ESCOM (Emeritus Students College of Marin).

BOWLING



We just completed the summer session of bowling at AMF Boulevard Lanes in Petaluma. The league is known as the Striking Threes since there are three team members on a team. The league consists of women and men. Most of the men are SIRS members. At the present time, I am the only member from Branch 7. The bowling alley has been doing a lot of upgrades. The Winter league starts September 6th. Anyone can join after the beginning date.
Ralph Sherer

TAKE A HIKE BEFORE THE MEETING

Before the Sir 7 meeting this month, let's take a hike. Meet at 9:00 at the Hamilton levee entrance in front of the former Airfield Control Tower for a group hike on the levee. Water bottle, walking sticks, speed, and duration at your discretion. +/- 60-90 min. Hope to make it a monthly pre-meeting activity.

Information: Ladd Sievenpiper,
Ladd7piper@gmail.com

SIR TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Autumn Colors Oct 13-22,2023. Branch 143. Cost \$4,330 pp Boston to Boston. Includes air and bus transportation. Highlights: Boston. Mohawk Trail, Mount Washington. Contact Bill Stires, 209-544-2684 bstires46@gmail.com

Best of Spain & Portugal April 27-May 12,2024. Branch 146. Cost \$7,895 pp. Madrid, Segovia, Porto, Lisbon, Seville, Gibraltar, Costa Del Sol, Alhambra, Valencia, Barcelona. Includes r/t airfare, 15-day guided tour with Travel Director, 14 nights at centrally-located 4-star hotels, 5 dinners and 2 lunches including wine, all tips, transfers & baggage handling. Contact Glenn Breslin 925-288-6520 glennbreslin@gmail.com



SIR BRANCH 7 CHRISTMAS PARTY

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 7TH AT 11 O'CLOCK
THE CLUB AT MCINNIS PARK
SIRS, SPOUSES AND GUESTS
NO-HOST COCKTAIL BAR AND RAFFLE**

MENU ENTRÉE CHOICE

**Prime Rib at \$55 or Chicken Toscana at \$45
or Salmon with Mango Sauce at \$45
or Risotto at \$45**

Wine on each table and Dessert is included

**ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE PREPAID
AND ENTRÉES SELECTED!**

Send checks and Entrée selections to Ted Pullen!

Seating will be pre-assigned

**Raffle Prize donations will be appreciated!
All reservations must be completed by November
30th!**

SIR's #7, #47, & #22,
INVITES YOU TO A
MATINEE PERFORMANCE OF:

THE LION KING

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 13TH

DUBBED "THE MUSICAL OF A LIFETIME!" EXPERIENCE THE STUNNING ARTISTRY, UNFORGETTABLE MUSIC AND EXHILARATING CHOREOGRAPHY, PAIRED WITH BREATHTAKING, AWARD-WINNING PUPPETRY THAT BRINGS THE WILDLIFE OF THE AFRICAN DESERT ALIVE! THIS COLORFUL SAFARI SPECTACLE IS SURE TO THRILL. WITNESS THE MUSICAL THEATRE PHENOMENON THAT MOVES US ALL, A REMARKABLE TALE OF HOPE AND ADVENTURE, THE LION KING. THIS SHOW WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE ORPHEUM THEATER, YOUR RESERVED SEATS WILL BE LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR IN THE REAR ORCHESTRA.



DEPART: 10:00AM RETURN: 5:30PM

PICK UP: SAN RAFAEL PARK & RIDE SMITH RANCH ROAD PARKING LOT

COST PER PERSON: \$125

COST INCLUDES: LUXURY MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION,
DRIVER GRATUITY, HOSTED LUNCH AT MAX'S OPERA CAFE WITH ENTREE CHOICE OF: CHICKEN COBB SALAD, REUBEN SANDWICH, VEGGIE BURGER, HALF TUNA SANDWICH & SOUP, SERVED WITH SOFT DRINK & DESSERT, AND RESERVED REAR ORCHESTRA SEATING FOR THE 1PM SHOWING OF THE LION KING

ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO SIR BRANCH 7
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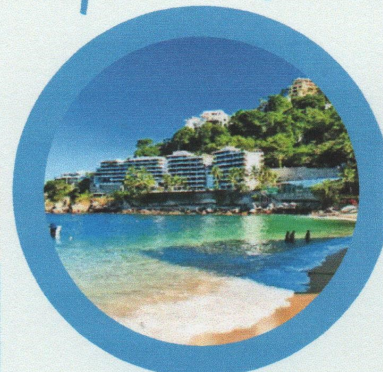
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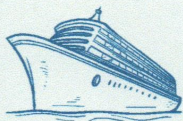
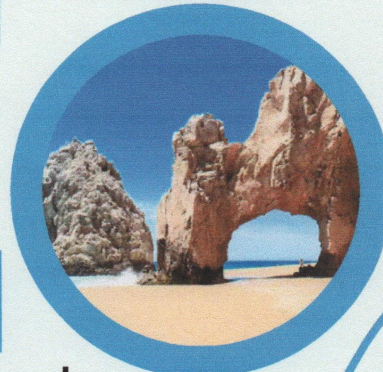
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LUCKY 7 GOLF



Sugar Loaf (Individual) - August 30th

<i>A Flight Net</i>		<i>B Flight Net</i>	
1	Gary Gioglio 60	1	Jim Leonard 60
2	Jens Erlingsson 63	2	Terry Aleshaire 64
<i>Closest to Hole 8</i>		<i>Closest to Hole 16</i>	
Bob Phillips	28'6"	Ron Radtke	15'9"
Napa (Scramble) - September 6th			
1	Zavislak, Gioglio, Lytle & Leonard		60.4
2	Radtke, Pastorino & Bearg		62.2
<i>Closest to the Hole 7</i>		<i>Closest to Hole 16</i>	
Cosmo Violante	28'7"	Steven Bearg	38'0"
Bennett Valley (Individual) - September 13th			
<i>A Flight Net</i>		<i>B Flight Net</i>	
1	Paul Giambra 74	1	Jim Leonard 75
2	Raymond Zavislak 77	2	Bob Phillips 76
<i>Closest to Hole 6</i>		<i>Closest to Hole 11</i>	
Bob Giachino	12'2"	Paul Giambra	10'6"

Blue Rock (Individual) September 20th

<i>A Flight Net</i>		<i>B Flight Net</i>	
1	Ron Pastorino 69	1	Bob Giachino 75
2	Ray Zavislak 71	2	Bob Phillips 77
<i>Closest to Hole 3</i>		<i>Closest to Hole 11</i>	
Ron Moresco	15'8"	Gary Gioglio	7'1"
Peacock Gap (Individual) - September 27th			
<i>A Flight Net</i>		<i>B Flight Net</i>	
1	Jens Erlingsson 70	1	Jim Land TB 70
2	Cosmo Violante 75	2	Don Lytle TB 70
<i>Closest to Hole 6</i>		<i>Closest to Hole 10</i>	
Dick Robinson	31'10"	Jens Erlingsson	34'8"
STENZEL CONTEST STANDINGS			
1	Jens Erlingsson 2'4"	2	Stephen Bearg 3'7"
3	Paul Giambra 3'8"		

AREA 8 MONTHLY MEETINGS

Branch 7 McInnis Park 1st Thursday
 Branch 22 McInnis Park 1st Tuesday
 Branch 58 Elks Lodge Petaluma 3rd Tuesday
 Branch 134 Marin Golf & Country Club 1st Tuesday
 Branch 147 Elks Lodge Petaluma 2nd Tuesday

October 2023 Meetings

Luncheon Thursday October 5
 Executive Committee Thursday October 19

2023 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Big Sir: Bob Bundy **Little Sir:** Michael Sommer
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