



FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE &
DIGNITY OF RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED MEN

2016 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Dan Franke
Little Sir: Don Langley
Secretary: Bob Jackson
Ass't: Jim Poindexter
Treasurer: Dick Lewis
Ass't: Bill Boxell

Directors

Don Langley	Bob Neil
Paul Willett	Bob Wall
Joe Freitas	Duane Clark

STATE OFFICERS

Area 9 Governor:
Regional Director Region 3: Victor C Mershon
State President: Donald A Dill



ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

Attendance: Hal Higgins
Ass't: Duncan Lyle
Badge Custodian: Orley Highfill
Ass't:
Bowling: Don Reinmuth
Bucket Brigade: Joe Freitas
Ass't: Jim Poindexter
Bulletin Editor: Hal Higgins
Bulletin Reporter and Photo Contest: Tom Silver
Chaplain: Dick Lewis
Golf: Orley Highfill
Greeters: Jim McCoy
Ass't: Andy Effinger
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins
New Membership Recruitment: Bob Nield
Programs: Don Langley
Photographer: Joe Freitas
Sirs 14 Photo Group: Bob Wall
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Hal Snow
Ass't: Bob Neil, Paul Willett, and Jim Poindexter
Tour Director: Hal Snow
Woodwork: Bob Wall

BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING-10:45
GENERAL MEETING - 11:30

WE MEET THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
State website: www.sirinc.org
Sirs 14 website: : <http://branch14.weebly.com>

AT CARMICHAEL ELKS
5631 Cypress Avenue
Carmichael

NEXT MEETING JANUARY 28 2015

**LUNCHEON MENU
BEEF STROGANOFF WITH NOODLES AND VEGETABLES**



BIG SIR-DAN FRANKE-944-7676

I want to start my year as your Big Sir by letting you know a little about me. Born and raised in Sacramento. Married for 37 years to my wonderful wife Pam. We have two adult sons. My son Derrick is a professor at Michigan State University as is my daughter-in-law Carole. My other son Kevin is a Special Agent for the FBI. I spent 32 years as a firefighter, following in my fathers footsteps. I retired in 2007 from Sacramento Metro Fire Protection District as an engine company Captain at fire station 110 on Eastern Ave. I golf a little, hunt ducks a little, travel a lot, and do woodworking not near enough. I enjoy a good glass of wine and am awful remembering names. Perhaps if I didn't drink wine I could remember names better. Nah, I enjoy wine too much so sorry.....pal.

SIR HAPPENINGS

The latest edition of 'SIR HAPPENINGS' is now available on the SIR website. Check out the other travel opportunities available.

<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings>



Please make the following changes in your 2015 Roster:

Add the following new members:

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Cates, J "Alan"

Wife: Cynthia

7039 La Costa Ln

Citrus Heights, CA 95621

Home Phone: (916) 666-2686

Birthday: 7/29/1952

Sponsor: Dick Jackson # 206

Badge: 37

Joined: 12/17/2015

E-mail: JAlan@catesinvestigates.com

Cates, James H

Jim

Wife: Ruth

7055 La Cima Ct

Citrus Heights, CA 95621

Home Phone: (916) 539-5606

Birthday: 7/24/1928

Sponsor: Dick Jackson #206

Badge: 33

Joined: 12/17/2015

E-Mail: ruthrudy25@gmail.com

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Thearle, Albert D

Al

Wife: Wendy

4951 Holyoke Wy

Sacramento, CA 95841-3042

Home Phone: (916) 331-1968

Birthday: 1/28/1949

Sponsor: Eugene Holdren #89

Badge: 185

Joined: 12/17/2015

E-mail: wb6ruu@gmail.com



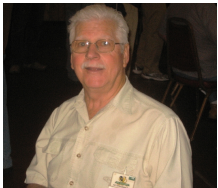
SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON -- 988-5979

Information from the Sun Shine man: Two of our Dick's, Dunn & Lewis appeared to have recovered from their accidents last month; at least I couldn't see any visible signs, so that's good. Hopefully Dunn doesn't fall & Lewis keeps his hands out of things that bite. *No update on Merle Dodd, his son said he would keep me updated but no word as of this date, I will drive over & see if there is any news on his well being.*

NEW MEMBERS



**BIG SIR, DAN FRANKE, WITH NEW MEMBERS
AL THEARLE, JIM CATES, AND ALAN CATES**



2016 PHOTO CONTEST - Tom Silver, Coordinator

The new year brings a new Branch 14 Photo Contest. Hopefully, I will have learned from a couple of mistakes from my first time coordinating the contest. Hopefully, also, my photography will improve! A New Year's Resolution of mine is to take more photos! Or maybe that should be to take better photos. Or both.

I will look to fine tune the rules, and any suggestions that would improve the event would be greatly appreciated and will be carefully considered. After that, the complete rules will appear in a later Bulletin. Meanwhile, the basic rules of three categories (Architecture, Nature, and Portrait), up to two prints allowed per category, and print size up to 5x7 will remain in effect.



WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-BOB WALL-393-1034

We had a gathering at the Barn with the pot belly stove consuming our "scrap" wood. Howard Mann hosted the meeting with tasty pastries to go with the coffee. After coffee and discussions, Don introduced the days program. Dan Franke showed several bowls he had fashioned on the lathe. We gathered around the lathe as Dan gave us an outstanding lecture and demo on that piece of equipment. For the January meeting members are to bring suggestions for techniques and styles of working with their favorite tool.

Happy New Year!



ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES

ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

42 Active members, December 1, 2015

11 Members Absent

31 Members served, December 17, 2015 (74%)

1 speaker

2 visitors

3 Guests

37 Lunches served, December 17, 2015

Remember to call me if you want an excused absence for a meeting. Read Page 3 in your Roster.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins

42 Active members , December 1, 2015

+1 J Cates #37

New member

+1 J H Cates #33

New member

+1 A Thearle # 185

New member

45 Active members, January 1, 2016

3 Inactive members, December 1, 2015

No Change

3 Inactive members, January 1, 2016

0 New member pending, January 1, 2016

SONS IN RETIREMENT - JANUARY BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

(All Members)

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
1/5	SNOW	Harold	166
1/6	LYLE	Duncan C.	115
1/9	WILLETT	Steve P	57
1/10	WALL	Bob	154
1/15	HOLDREN	Eugene	84
1/19	SCOVILL	Dennis A.	265
1/28	THEARLE	Albert D	185

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS



HOWARD
EASTHAM
and
DON
LANGLEY

WINE WINNER



WINSTON
TOFT

BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844



Our teams are moving up in their divisions and currently in second and first. If you would like to come out and watch your teams bowl you are welcome and would be appreciated. We bowl at Country Club Lanes, El Camino and Watt.

We bowl every Tuesday, starting shadow practice at 12:20 PM. There are also six teams that need a bowler. So if you are interested in bowling and want a lot of fun show up at County Club Lanes at El Camino and Watt Ave on Tuesday and we will get you on a TEAM.

Just a reminder We start bowling at 10:00 AM on 12/22 and 12/29.

Some high scores for the month are below

Name	games	series
Bob Jackson	141, 136	409
Don Reinmuth	220, 202, 194, 191	482
Bill Boxell	190, 190, 192, 193,	599, 565, 534
Jim McCoy	168, 152, 151	453, 450
Hal Higgins	210, 191, 183, 185	521, 498, 456

High rollers 40+ or 70+ over average

Bill Boxell 220+52, 599+95

Bob Jackson 409+ 64

LITTLE SIR–DON LANGLEY –944-4219



Wow - another year gone, and it is my turn to be the Little Sir - I am so "not prepared". I had assumed I had until January to prepare. I was with the Fire Department for over 30 years and my least favorite thing was writing reports.

I will find a speaker for the January meeting, but as of now, I have no idea who.. I also don't have the menu for January, but I am sure it will be much of the same. I hope to work with the Big Sir, Dan Franke, on improvement for our group. I will have a better report in February.



DECLARATIONS

NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION - All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons in Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities. (Rule 345).

Checks, money orders or credit cards for Travel for one day or less (no overnight), where a bus/busses is/are used as the primary means of transportation, may be made payable to the Branch sponsoring the event. All other checks, money orders or credit cards for travel must be made payable to the travel agency (Rule 420 and 421).

Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale (Rule 60). REQUIRED ATTENDANCE~ A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the Branch Attendance Committee giving a valid reason, or who attends less than six (6) regular meetings within the last twelve (12) consecutive month period, may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SiRs (Rule 100 and 101)

MEETING DATES IN 2016

January 28, February 25, March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23,
July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 17, and December 22.

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