



# FORT SUTTER NEWS

## BRANCH No 14

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE &  
DIGNITY OF MEN

### 2016 OFFICERS

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

### Directors

Don Langley	Bob Nield
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: Dick Jackson  
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: Tony Planzer  
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 Nield, 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](http://www.sirinc.org)  
Sirs 14 website: <http://branch14.weebly.com>

AT CARMICHAEL ELKS  
5631 Cypress Avenue  
Carmichael

## NEXT MEETING AUGUST 25 2016

LUNCHEON MENU  
SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS AND VEGETABLES



### BIG SIR-DAN FRANKE-944-7676

Welcome to August. Could it get any hotter? I don't think so. I wish it was cooler. But soon it will be cold and raining and we will wish it was warm again. I think that is called wishing your life away....so we can't do that. So let me start again by saying.....isn't this weather wonderful?

The last two months has seen a decrease in our luncheon attendance. We had only 29 of our 45 make it to the luncheon.

I know that this is a busy time for vacations....but please try to attend if you can. Remember that if you can't make the luncheon to call or send Hal Higgins a note to that effect so we can have a semi accurate count for the food.

Read the article by Activities Chairman Hal Snow about the trip he has scheduled for the end of August. The winery can only take twenty of us so it is the first twenty to pay Hal Snow the five dollar fee will be the ones to go tasting and then to lunch.

We are still in need of a volunteer to step up and become our next Little Sir. We also have a need for a phone caller (one of four to call members and remind them of our luncheons). Let Little Sir Don Langley or myself know of your willingness to serve and do your part in our branch.

Lastly, let me remind you of our Ladies Day in October. We will again have the wonderful music of guitarist Sean O'Conner. Sean played for us last year and did a wonderful job....so we got him to return again this year. This is a luncheon you should not miss.

Remember also to bring a guest to our next luncheon. We need more members. See you at the August 25th luncheon. Big Sir Dan Franke

## **LITTLE SIR–DON LANGLEY –944-4219**



It's hard to believe, but summer is half over. Ann and I just returned from a 2 week trip to Alaska. We were really lucky with the weather. It was perfect. We had 3 days of blue sky in the Denali area with full views of Mt. McKinley. The second week of our trip was a cruise through the Inland Passage, again with beautiful weather.

Even with vacations, we had a good turn out for our lunch. I enjoyed the speaker, Zayith Pinto, and learned a lot about Solar. If I ever build a new house, I will definitely include solar.

Our speaker for next month will be Greg Gilbert, speaking on Diabetes and Alzheimer's, a subject that is close to many of us.

It's time again to look for new officers for our group. Tony Planzer has agreed to take over the Golf Group and Dick Jackson is taking over the Badges. Two people to do Orley's jobs, but no one could replace him. Orley was truly one of a kind. I miss him every day.

I will do Dan Franke's job as Big SIR next year, and again I am not replacing him. Don't expect me to do half the job he has done this year. I have a strong "maybe" for Little SIR, and hopefully he will agree and I will announce him next month, but as of now the job is open, and anyone willing to step up and volunteer will be welcome. Contact me if you are interested, or know anyone who will do the job. It is very rewarding.

## **ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES**



### **ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771**

- 44 Active members, July 1, 2016
- 15 Members Absent
- 29 Members served, July 28, 2016 (66%)
- 1 speaker
- 30 Lunches served, July 28, 2016

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

### **MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins**

- 44 Active members , July 1, 2016
- No Change
- 44 Active members, August 1, 2016
- 3 Inactive members, July 1, 2016
- No Change
- 3 Inactive members, August 1, 2016
- 1 New member pending, August 1, 2016



## **SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 988-5979**

Information from the Sun Shine Man: Don Bagley is at Rosewood Rehab at 6041 Fair Oaks Blvd, Carmichael – his number is 916-678-7836 he recovering from what they think is sepsis and he is hoping to get back soon, give him a call, he would love to talk your ear off if you allow him to. Bill Boxell has been out with pneumonia or some other ailment, they just can't figure it out and he could also use a call. I will attempt to send them a card.

## SONS IN RETIREMENT - AUGUST BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

(All Members)

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
8/6	SILVER	Tommy	86
8/17	MaCAULEY	Gary	40
8/31	PLANZER	Anton J.	191

## BIRTHDAY BOYS IN JULY



Jim McColm, Jim McCoy, Hal Higgins, Don Reinmuth, and Winston Toft

## BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844



Winter league is over but not forgotten. There is summer bowling at Country Club lanes on Tuesdays at 12:00 PM.

Don't forget the league meeting before bowling starts again this fall. It will be on Tuesday August 16. Bowling will begin on August 30, one week earlier than usual.

## 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>

## GOLF-TONY PLANZER 638-1071

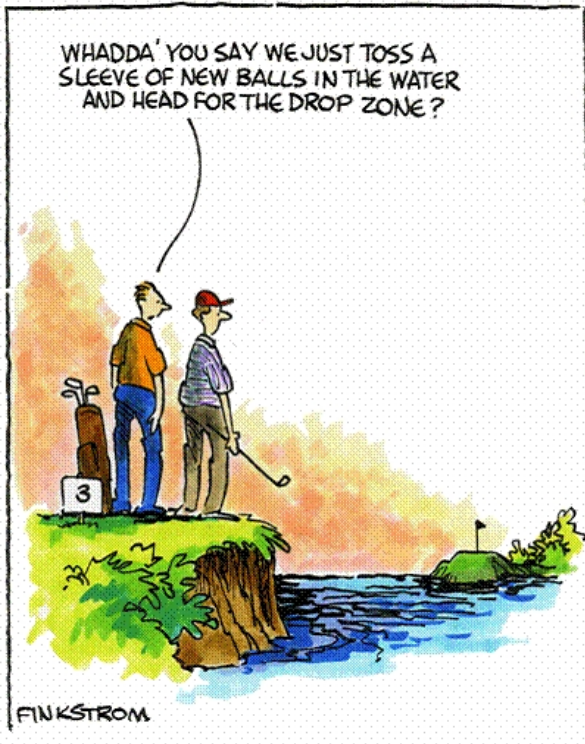


### GOLF SCORES

ANTELOPE GREENS GOLF COURSE JULY 11, 2016  
DICK JACKSON 92 DON LANGLEY 81 DICK LEWIS 74  
DENNIS SCOVILL 90

BRADSHAW GOLF COURSE JULY 25, 2016  
DAN FRANKE 68 DICK JACKSON 88 DON LANGLEY 82  
DICK LEWIS 67 HAL SNOW 39 (9 holes)

Future tournaments: August 15, Antelope, 9:00; August 29, Indian Creek, 9:00; September 12, Antelope, 9:00; September 26, 9:00; October 10, Antelope, 9:00; and October 24, Indian Creek, 9:00, the last tournament of the year.



### 2016 PHOTO CONTEST - Tom Silver, Contest Coordinator

Only about two months remain for taking photographs for the next contest. Contest entries must be turned in at the September 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting or received by me by mail or dropoff by Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. My address is 5311 Mississippi Bar Dr., Orangevale, CA, 95662.





## **SIRS BI-MONTHLY ACTIVITY**

SIR's Branch 14 is on the move again to Carvalho's Winery, located in the Old Sugar Mill, 35265 Willow Avenue in Clarksburg. On Wednesday, August 31 beginning at 11 AM, we will begin a wine tasting and tour of the Old Sugar Mill which currently hosts several wineries. For \$5/per [person and guests, we will taste some of Carvalho's best wines. Our participants will have the opportunity to purchase any of their wines at reduced wine club member prices. Sirs member Hal Snow recently experienced their 1 and 1/2 hour excellent tasting and tour.

Sign ups for wine tasting and tour will be available at the Club's August 25th meeting or by calling Hal at (916) 788-4434. Participants will be limited to 20. If you are interested, you need to sign up early and give Hal \$5/person which goes to the winery.

Optional lunch will be available immediately following the tour/wine tasting at approximately 12:45 PM. Lunch will be at a nearby restaurant to be announced at our next meeting.



## **WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-BOB WALL-393-1034**

The Woodworker group from Branch 14 met on July 29 at 10 am. Eight members and one guest attended. Don provided the barn space, Ann provided the coffee (thanks Ann) and Bob hosted with Entenmanns Popems and Popettes.

Several of the members brought in projects that they had made for the Ladies Luncheon in October. More to come.

The projects included Push/Pull oven rack tools, key holders, picture hanging appliance, toaster tongs, banana bunch holder.

General discussions covered such things as Bradford Pear Tree wood (limbs are good for smoking)(BBQ). Suggestions to practice changing long band saw blades (93"), and equipment demonstrations on Biscuit cutter joinery, use of planer to flatten boards, and shaping work piece edges on a Router table.

The closer to noon the warmer it got so the group moved from the barn to Ann's garden and picked bags of tomatoes.

Great way to finish. See what the rest of you missed??

Stay cool,

Sawdust

## **WINE WINNERS**



HAL HIGGINS and

DICK DUNN

## 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.

**Fort Sutter Branch 14**  
**Hal Higgins**  
**7324 Villa Del Sol Ln**  
**Citrus Heights, CA 95621**