



FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14

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

2017 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Don Langley
Little Sir: Dennis Scovill
Secretary: Bob Jackson
Ass't: Duane Clark
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Ass't: Bill Boxell

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Al Russo
Paul Willett
Joe Freitas
Dan Franke
Hal Snow

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Attendance: Hal Higgins
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Bulletin Reporter and Photo Contest: Tom Silver
Chaplain: Dick Lewis
Golf:
Greeters: Jim McCoy
Ass't: Andy Effinger
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins
New Membership Recruitment:
Programs: Dennis Scovill
Photographer: Joe Freitas
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Hal Snow
Ass't: John Evers, Jim Meek, and Paul Willett
Tour Director: Hal Snow
Woodwork: Dan Franke

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 APRIL 27, 2017

LUNCHEON MENU

BREADED PORK CHOPS WITH AU GRATIN POTATOES AND VEGETABLES



BIG SIR-DON LANGLEY -944-4219

I did enjoy our speaker and the topic. It is amazing how far we have come with electric cars in the last few years.

Again, I want to congratulate Ray Johansen for remaining so active at the age of 90. I am sorry I butchered the trivia question to see who eats first when I was saying 90 in my head, it was coming out 80 from my mouth. Next month I would like to be lobbied by the people who feel they were cheated, and the most persuasive table will go first.

I set up an agreement with Elks for our June meeting. We will be having our meeting out back with a BBQ of hamburgers and hot dogs with salad or coleslaw, beans, potato salad, etc. We can bring our own non-alcoholic beverages, but if we bring our own wine there will be a \$10.00 a bottle corkage fee. Wives and friends are invited and I think this would be a great opportunity to invite people that you think could be a potential new member.

Although I have given up on the merger with Branch 127, I was at an Elks St. Patrick's Day dinner and met two members of 127 and their wives. Both said they were disappointed that we didn't merge, and wanted to try to do something on their side. I told them I would like it if they could work up some support. I also learned that 127 is not meeting their minimum number for their lunch and have been paying for unused lunches. I still believe a merger would benefit both branches, and even if some don't like some of the other members, there are still many we would all like. "Why can't we all just get along?"



LITTLE SIR– Dennis Scovill 635-5847

Okay, the word is out: Your Little SIR spent a lot of money on an electric car. It is something I have wanted to do for years. Not that I wanted to spend a lot of money, but I did want to own an electric car. I hope everyone learned something from our March speaker about the benefits and drawbacks of owning an electric car. With improving technology, lower prices and more choices becoming available, many may find that it is something they can seriously consider the next time they shop for a car. This same man can speak to us about driverless cars. My wife says it will be a good option for me when I get senile. She will let me sit in the drivers seat and just think I am driving. Let me know if you are interested and I can have Mr. Hall give us another presentation.

Our April speaker will be the “Crocker Talker”. She will give us all the latest information about what is happening at the Crocker Art Museum.

ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES



ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

47 Active members, March 1, 2017

18 Members Absent

29 Members served, March 23, 2017 (62%)

3 Guests

1 Speaker

32 Lunches served, March 23, 2017

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

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins

47 Active members, March 1, 2017

+1 Tom Tompkons #125

new member

-1 Bob Nield #400

resigned

-1 Don Bagley #106

resigned

46 Active members, April 1, 2017

1 Inactive member, March 1, 2017

No Change

1 Inactive members, April 1, 2017

1 New member pending, April 1, 2017



NEW MEMBER TOM TOMPKINS



**RAY JOHANSEN GETS
90 YEAR CERTIFICATE**

Please make the following changes in your 2017 Roster:

Page 6 Delete Bob Nield as Director.

Page 7 Delete Bob Nield as membership and telephone. Delete "s" from Bob Meek's name. Add John Evers as Telephone

Page 7 Delete Don Bagley, resigned

Page 18 Delete Bob Nield, resigned

Page 19 Change Jim Poindexter's phone number from 467-7651 to 293-9883

Page 22 Add Herbert Tompkins III (Tom), new member.

Page 26 Change Don Langley phone number to 944-4219

SONS IN RETIREMENT - APRIL BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

(All Members)

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
4/2	MEEK	James	142
4/4	SIKORA	Carl P	59
4/5	JACKSON	Bob	117
4/14	CLARK	Duane R.	168
4/30	TOMPKINS III	Herbert W	125

MARCH BIRTHDAY BOYS



Dick Jackson, Ray Johansen (and wine winner)
and Dan Franke

MARCH WINE WINNER



Bill Boxell

SIR-WIFE ANNIVERSARY (APRIL)

Anniversary Date	Last Name	First Name	Wife
9/15/84	WILLETT	Steve P	Brenda



Branch 14 Photo Contest Rules - 2017

The 7th Annual Branch 14 Photo Contest will be held during the Ladies' Day Luncheon, October 22, 2017. Having received no feedback regarding an expansion of categories published in the last Bulletin, there will be four categories this year, Architecture, Nature, Portrait, and Other. Up to two finished, unframed prints per category, a maximum of 5" X 7" may be submitted, either at the September 28th meeting or mailed to me to be received by September 30th, so I will have time to organize and assemble the displays, vote tally sheets, etc. The photos must have been taken within the year preceding the contest, i.e., after the September 22nd luncheon. The categories are defined as follows:

Architecture - A manmade structure or structures. Structures may include non-building structures, such as bridges, dams, roadways, fixtures, appliances, or anything that might be designed by an architect.

Nature - Natural objects, landscapes, seascapes, weather phenomena, astronomical objects, wild creatures, or other scenes of the natural world not containing any manmade objects.

Portrait - An image or likeness of a person or persons. May be posed or candid.

Other - Any image not fitting into any of the other three categories.

Photos may be post-processed with tools such as PhotoShop, Lightroom Images Plus or other such tools, as long as the processing is performed by the photographer submitting the photo for the contest. Having photos printed by a drugstore or other market does not violate this rule.

The backs of photos must include the photographer's name and the intended category for it. A title for the picture may also be included. Camera and/or exposure data need not be included. Display orientation (top/bottom of picture), will be determined by the orientation of the information on the back. I do not wish to guess what you want the top of the photo to be. Sometimes, it is obvious - sometimes it is not, depending on the subject.

All members of Branch 14 and their wives or other luncheon guests may enter the contest. Please be sure they have read the contest rules. The polls will be open before lunch is served, and all luncheon attendees may vote, including contest coordinators. The polls will be closed sometime during lunch, the votes tallied, and the results announced. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded, as well as Best In Show (photo getting the most votes overall). It would be helpful to have a couple of volunteers to assist with the count.

Get started by setting up a folder called Branch 14 Photo Contest 2017, or something similar, then begin storing possible contest entries there.

- Tom Silver, Photo Contest Coordinator,
with gratitude to Bob Wall, the Founding Father of this contest...



SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 988-5979

We think that Bob Wall will be back in April, Howard Eastham is not here, just didn't feel up to it, Duncan Lyle is in Manor Care @ 7807 Uplands Way, C/H, that's a block off Sunrise Blvd. he broke his hip and had it replaced two weeks ago and will be there for about a week or 2 more, then off to Atrium of Carmichael Assisted living, so stop in to see him or call, he is in room 205.





WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 944-7676

We had another great woodworkers session at "the barn". A large turnout of about 12 of us enjoyed brownies and cookies thanks to Don Langley and his wife Ann. After the usual BS session, we had an interesting display of wood projects that our members had made this month. Hal Snow had several nice pieces (stool and lazy Susan). Don Langley had two large projects in progress (step and desk) and I showed a bowl I turned.

Al Russo then showed us his collection of about thirty exotic wood samples. Many of the woods he has are wood species that the rest of us had never seen. I then put on a short class/demonstration of my new wood planer. We then broke into small groups that continued to discuss projects. Interesting day for all.



BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844

The King Pins Jim McCoy's team are in first place in their division as the season nears the time for playoffs and championship games. I think Jim McCoy's team has a good chance to be in the finals. All they need to do is win the first championship game to advance to the final. Good Luck you guys.

A sweeper will follow the championship and this will end the 2016/2017 season.

We bowl every Tuesday At 12:30 at the Country Club Lanes on Watt Ave and El Cameno Ave.

All are invited to come and watch you may even see some very good bowling.

The league needs bowlers. If you or someone you know wants to bowl please let me know and

I will help you get on a team or if you prefer to be added to the sub list.

Some high scores bowled .

GAMES

Jim McCoy 196, 185, 167
Hal Higgins 189, 188, 175, 176
Bill Boxell 215, 203, 200
Bob Jackson 177, 170, 169
Bob Nield 136

SERIES

457
539, 520
541, 529
499, 473

SPLITS MADE

Jim McCoy 5/6,10 / 5,8,10 (3, 10 3x)
Hal Higgins 4/5, 5/10
Bob Jackson- 443+95. 197+81. 467+113
Bill Boxell 4,7,10 3,10 4,7,10
Bob Nield 3,5,10

HIGH ROLLERS

Hal Higgins- 540+64
Bob Jackson 177+52. 170 +43,442+67
Jim McCoy 196,+56
Bill Boxell 215+50, 539+40, 539+41

JUNE MEETING WILL BE AN OUTDOOR BAR-B-QUE

(SEE THE BIG SIR'S REPORT)

Remember: Ladies are invited.



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 2017

January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27, May 25, June 22,

July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 16, and December 28.

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