



FORT SUTTER NEWS

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE &

BRANCH No 14

DIGNITY OF RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED MEN

2017 OFFICERS

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



Directors

Al Russo
 Paul Willett
 Joe Freitas

Dan Franke
 Hal Snow

STATE OFFICERS

Area 3 Governor: Giorgio Dina
 Regional Director Region 1: Mark Stuart
 State President: Jerry L Strain

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Attendance: Hal Higgins
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 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:
 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 Steve 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 AUGUST 24 2017

LUNCHEON MENU
SPAGHETTI AND MEAT BALLS AND VEGETABLES



BIG SIR-DON LANGLEY -944-4219

Unfortunately my treatments for my Throat Cancer caught up with me at our meeting and I had to leave early.

Fortunately we have a great Little SIR who took over for me.

From what I could tell we had a good turnout. I did have some time socializing and want to thank all who wished me well, and shared their stories with me. I am not sure about our next meeting. I will still be having treatments. but I hope to be there for the September meeting.

Hal Snow has again agreed to coordinate our Ladies Day in October. I know he will do a great job, but don't be afraid to offer to help him.

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>

LITTLE SIR– Dennis Scovill 635-5847



How hot has it been this month? I guess it has been so hot that many of our members did not brave the heat to attend our luncheon. But it was their loss. We had a very lively discussion as we learned some things about petroleum and gasoline that may have been new to most of us. Thanks to Harry Hall, a retired Chevron Oil employee, for providing his own perspective on the business where he worked all of his adult life.

In August we will hear about a very different subject. If you have any concerns about future needs for long term care for yourself or someone else you care about, you should come to lunch no matter how hot it is. For many people, Medi-Cal is about the only option for paying for long-term care. Our August speaker is an attorney who will discuss eligibility requirements for Medi-Cal, and explain how to protect certain assets rather than turning them over to the government. I hope you all make it.

There is one movement starting across the SIR organization that will hopefully open up opportunities for our members to have more fun. We hope to have other SIR Branches inviting us to some of their activities, as well as us inviting other Branches to ours. Think about this for the future. We will let you know when more details are available on how this will work. I believe this is an important opportunity for small branches, such as ours.

Finally, a big thanks to Al Russo for agreeing to be the Little SIR for next year. He is already helping out and will be a big asset for us all during the next year.

N E W M E M B E R



New Member. Chris Globis, flanked by Little Sir, Dennis Scovill; Big Sir, Don Langley; and Sponsor, Bob Jackson

ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES



ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

47 Active members, July 1, 2017

19 Members Absent

28 Members served, July 27, 2017 (60%)

1 Speaker

29 Lunches served, July 27, 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, July 1, 2017

No change

47 Active members, August 1, 2017

0 Inactive member, July 1, 2017

No Change

0 Inactive members, August 1, 2017

0 New members pending, August 1, 2017

Please make the following changes in your 2017 Roster:

Please Correct the following member's badge number:

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Chris Globis

From #20 to #67

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	P LANZER	Anton J.	191

SIR-WIFE ANNIVERSARY (AUGUST)

Anniversary Date	Last Name	First Name	Wife
8/23/10	EVERS	John M.	Judith (Judi)
8/10/85	HUBBERT	Gary A	Sean
8/11/84	RUSSO	Albert C	Blair
8/20/56	WHEELER	Gary L.	Juanita

SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 988-5979



Information from the Sun Shine Man: Is great to see Bob Wall back with us, I know he still has that dam old back problem, thanks for making the effort to join us. I talked to both Andy Effinger and Duncan Lyle but they had other commitments. Our Big SIR is now going through chemo, but still joins us; our prayers are with you and Ann.

JUNE BIRTHDAY BOYS



Howard Mann, Dick Dunn, and
Gary Wheeler

JULY BIRTHDAY BOYS



Jim McCoy, Bill Boxell, Hal Higgins,
Jim Poindexter, and Don Reinmuth



BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844

The 2017/2018 bowling season will start on 9/5/2017.

There is recreational bowling every Tuesday starting at 12 noon. This also gives you the opportunity to Enter a pot game.

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

GOLF- BILL BOXELL, DICK JACKSON, DICK LEWIS

GOLF SCORES

INDIAN CREEK GOLF COURSE JULY 24 , 2017

BILL BOXELL 94

DICK JACKSON 87

DICK LEWIS 84

WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 239-5888

The Woodworkers held their July meeting as usual at "the Barn". I was not able to be there as I am currently in Portland but I am sure it was great. I am sure that Don showed the start of his Adirondack chair. He has templates that any of us can borrow to make your own Adirondack chairs. I am not sure what else was discussed but I am sure it was educational. See you at "the Barn" in August. I sure it will be cooler then.....ya right. Dan

(Editor's Note: See Below, Don Langley provided additional information about the actual meeting)

Our leader Dan Franke was out of town, and we didn't have much of an agenda, but we did have a good time. We darkened the color on a piano stool for Ray Johansen. At the last meeting we built the piano stool and his wife really appreciated what we did, but the color did not match so we took care of it at this meeting.

We also demonstrated how to use a router with a flush cut bit. We used this to follow a wood pattern to make an Adirondack chair

Eight members showed up and I think we all had a good time. The snacks were great (even though I didn't eat any).



Branch 14 Photo Contest - 2017 - Tom Silver, Coordinator

Branch 14 Photo Contest Rules - 2017

The **7th Annual Branch 14 Photo Contest** will be held during the Ladies' Day Luncheon, **October 22, 2017**. 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**. This rule has been violated the most.

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, such as pets with a collar or leash, birds on a feeder, etc.

Photos may be post-processed with tools such as PhotoShop, Lightroom, Capture NXD 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...

JULY WINE WINNERS



Chris Globis, Dick Dunn, and Hal Higgins

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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