



FORT SUTTER NEWS

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE &

BRANCH No 14

DIGNITY OF RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED MEN

2019 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Al Russo
Little Sir: Hugh Thompson
Secretary: Bob Jackson
Ass't: Duane Clark
Treasurer: Dick Lewis
Ass't: Bill Boxell

Directors

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| Don Langley | Dennis Scovill |
| Paul Willett | Steve Willett |
| Joe Freitas | Tom Tompkins |



ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

Attendance: Hal Higgins
Ass't:
Badge Custodian: Dick Jackson
Ass't:
Bowling: Don Reinmuth
Bucket Brigade: Joe Freitas
Ass't: Jim Poindexter
Bulletin Editor: Hal Higgins
Chaplain: Dick Lewis
Golf: Dick Lewis
Greeters: Jim McCoy
Ass't: Len Ohlendorf
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins
New Membership Recruitment: Hal Snow
Ass't: Dennis Scovill and Len Ohlendorf
Programs: Hugh Thompson
Photo Group: Paul Cary
Photographer: Joe Freitas
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Hal Snow
Ass't: John Evers, Duane Clark, and Steve Willett
Tour Director: Hal Snow
Woodwork: Dan Franke

STATE OFFICERS

Area 3 Governor: Georgio Dina
Regional Director Region 1: Mark Stuart
State President: Ed Bensen

BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING-10:00
MEET AND GREET-11:00
GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCH: 11:45

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

At Brookdale Senior Living
7418 Stock Ranch Rd
Citrus Heights

NEXT MEETING MARCH 28 2019

LUNCHEON MENU

Soup and salad to start
Lasagna with Garlic Bread or
Chef Salad with Garlic Bread
Dessert will be Razzelberry Cobbler with Vanilla Ice Cream

BIG SIR-AL RUSSO (714) 642-0586



Branch 14's February luncheon, once again featured good food, and an excellent and interesting speaker. As I told you last month, Brookdale has been sold. The new owners are raising the price of meal from \$10 to \$14. With the additional \$2 for the Gold pan, our luncheon cost will now be \$16. This is \$2 more than I mentioned last week. I was not informed of this until Sir Lewis told me this morning at the woodworkers gathering. This issue will be discussed at March's meeting. Again, a recurring issue is the response to the calls each month that are necessary to accurately provide information to Brookdale on the number of meals required. If your caller does not find you available to talk and leaves a message, please return that call ASAP with the information concerning your plan to attend and what your choice of meal is. Prompt attention to this issue will facilitate Brookdale's service to our group and prevent us having to pay for meals prepared and not eaten, and assure that everybody gets the meal they ordered. We had to pay for a couple of extra meals this month.

On February 12 a town hall meeting of statewide Big and Little Sirs was held in Walnut Creek. I was unable to attend, but Little Sir Hugh Thompson did. He reported that the town hall meeting was very interesting and productive featuring a wealth of information that will prove useful for our Branch. Ed Benson sent an email that contained links to videos of the events. If you are interested, let me know and I will forward the links to you. The leadership has asked for issue of concern. If you have any topics you would like me to carry to the leaders, please let me know.

Area governor Giorgio Dino attended our BEC and general meeting. He provided information about what some other branches are doing for recruiting and retention of members. This issue remains the area of greatest concern for Branch 14. We did add two new members this month. They were not able to attend the meeting as they were in Arizona for MBL spring practice. So even though we have had some attrition, we are holding steady at 45 members.

Have a great month, see you in March.

Al

ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES



ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

47 Members, February 1, 2019

16 Members Absent

31 Members served, February 28, 2019 (66%)

1 Guest

1 Speaker

33 Lunches served

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 Members, February 1, 2019

-1 Wall #154

Deceased

-1 Young #148

Resigned

45 Members, March 1, 2019

2 New members pending, March 1, 201

Please make the following changes in your 2019 Roster:

Please delete the following members:

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| Wall, Bob | #154 | Deceased |
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| Young, John | #148 | Resigned |
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IN MEMORIAM

James McColm

Bob Wall



Bob Wall

Professional photographer Bob Wall held the first field trip of his newly formed Photography Special Interest Group on a brisk December morning in 2010 at the EffieYeaw Nature Center.

The purpose of the group was to learn from Bob more about photography and put that learning into practice. The first year culminated in a Branch 14 photo contest, to be held in conjunction with the annual Ladies' Day luncheon in October, 2011. Several sessions were held at various outdoor and indoor locations to combine photography with some exercise, and the group's name began as SW&PT (Slow Walkers & Photo Takers). Time went by, members of the group grew in their photographic skills, their desire to do more on their own with their cameras grew, and field session attendance fell off. .



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Photographic activity continued, however, as members produced photos to submit for the photo contest. The photo contest was open to all members, as well as whomever members brought to the annual Ladies' Day luncheon. The photos were judged by everyone attending, and recognition was given to the winners. The contest became a popular item on the agenda, and the number of photos submitted grew in number over the years.

Bob held four contests before stepping back from the logistics of running the annual contest. Seven contests have been held, and the eighth is underway. We say goodbye to Bob Wall, but his contribution to Branch 14 tradition continues.

- Tom Silver, Member

Branch 14 Photography SIG



SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 338-6969

As most of you know we lost a great guy, Bob Wall who attended our luncheons even those he was hurting, his wife would drive him and wait in the lobby for the event to be over, a great couple. Joe Freitas's wife is in rehab again and he is always there for her, we pray for Joe and Jane. Our badge guy Dick Jackson was down with a bug but came back to handle the badges, glad he is on the mend. Jim Poindexter lost his wife in January after many years with Alzheimer's, service will be March 23rd at 1:00pm at the Ladies Thursday Club building in old Fair Oaks.

SONS IN RETIREMENT - MARCH BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

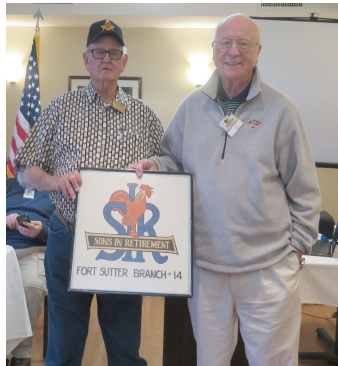
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| BIRTHDAY | LAST | FIRST | NU |
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| 3/10/27 | JOHANSEN | Ray | 220 |
| 3/14/40 | THOMPSON | C Hugh | 72 |
| 3/17/51 | JACKSON | Richard W | 206 |
| 3/10/54 | FRANKE | Dan E | 140 |

BR 14 ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH 2019

| ANNIVERSARY DATE | LAST | FIRST | WIFE |
|------------------|------------|----------|--------|
| 3/27/01 | POINDEXTER | James E. | Ginger |
| 3/5/05 | THEARLE | Albert D | Wendy |

MARCH BIRTHDAY BOYS



Dick Lewis and Tom Farnsworth

MARCH WINE WINNERS



Dan Franke and Dick Lewis





BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844

Scores

| <u>names</u> | <u>Games</u> | <u>Series</u> |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Bill Boxel | 169, 178, 160 | 471, 458 |
| Bob Jackson | 169, 172 | 476 |
| Hal Higgins | 164; 171 | 519 |
| Jim McCoy | 151, 179 , 158 | 414 |
| Don Reinmuth | 153, 1772 | 468 |
| <u>Honor Role + 70</u> | | <u>Honor rool+40</u> |
| Don Reinmuth 468+75 | | Bob Jackson 458+50 |



WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 239-5888

Our February woodworkers meeting at “the barn” was another great day of learning and food. It looked like a bakery instead of a wood shop with three cakes and other assorted pastries. The 14 of us in attendance did our best to thin out the stock. Thanks go to Ann Langley, Mike Curran and others for the goodies. Our show-n-tell session displayed some of the excellent items that our members have completed or are currently working on. Hal Snow displayed two of his wonderful pieces (see photo).

Howard Mann had several cribbage boards that showed the excellent inlays work he is doing. Ardell McCombs showed us the basics of how he builds his half-round wine barrel tables and the jig he made that he uses to build them. Our classroom session was led by our Big Sir Al Russo. Al put on a great demonstration of the correct way to sharpen wood chisels. Al was able to take one of Don Langley’s dull/chipped garage-sale chisels and put a razor sharp edge on it (see photo). Don Langley then told of a near catastrophic incident in the shop with his new Saw Stop table saw. There was contact with the spinning blade of the table saw but the saw did what it is designed to do and there were no injuries. Ask Don to tell you the story. See everyone next month on March 29th.....the day after our March SIR luncheon.



Show -and -tell



Al Russo sharpening wood shisels



LITTLE SIR-HUGH THOMPSON- 276-5117

Next month’s Speaker is expected to be Deputy Rod Grassman, Sacramento County Sheriff Office ... addressing steps to protect Seniors at home and away from home.

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 shall be required to attend one-half of the regular Branch monthly luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period unless the Branch BEC has approved a different attendance requirement(s).

MEETING DATES IN 2019

January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27,

July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 21, and December 19.

Fort Sutter Branch 14

Hal Higgins

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