



# FORT SUTTER NEWS

## BRANCH No 14



### 2020 OFFICERS

Big Sir: Hugh Thompson  
Little Sir: Len Ohlendorf  
Secretary: Bob Jackson  
Ass't:  
Treasurer: Dick Lewis  
Ass't: Bill Boxell  
Directors

Dennis Scovill	Al Russo	Ken Krueger
Tom Tompkins	Milo Tubbs	Paul Carroll

### STATE OFFICERS

Area 3 Governor: Kevin Mahoney  
Regional Director Region 1: Mark Stuart  
State President: Ed Benson

### 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: John Hester  
Ass't:  
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins  
New Membership Recruitment: Hal Snow  
Ass't: Dennis Scovill and Len Ohlendorf  
Programs: Len Ohlendorf  
Photo Group Tommy Silver  
Photographer: Joe Freitas  
Sunshine: Bob Jackson  
Telephone Tree: Tom Tompkins  
Ass't: John Evers, Bob Jackson, and Steve Willett  
Tour Director: Hal Snow  
Woodwork: Dan Franke

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](http://www.sirinc.org)  
Sirs 14 website: : <http://branch14.com>

At Stock Ranch Road Retirement Community  
7418 Stock Ranch Rd  
Citrus Heights

## NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 27, 2020

### LUNCHEON MENU

Starter will be - Minestrone Soup OR fresh garden Salad  
Pot Roast Sandwich with Caramelized Onions, and roasted Zucchini w/Parmesan and chips OR  
Teriyaki Chicken Salad w/ Italian Focaccia bread



### BIG SIR-HUGH THOMPSON- 276-5117

The Branch Executive Committee (BEC) met just prior to the luncheon meeting with nearly full attendance and action to be reported by Bob Jackson, Secretary. The Branch Audit was completed and provided to State. The BEC approved all the activity committees events with the proviso that each chairman will provided the BEC the date, location, event, and other information prior to the planned event taking place. Event Safety was discussed and will continue to be implemented as done in the past. The Annual State SIR Town Hall meeting will be held in Fairfield Feb 19,2020 and interested Branch 14 members are invited to join the Big and Little Sir and attend (please call me or Little Sir if you wish to attend). The Branch 14 Web Site was introduced as being revised and updated, see Bulletin. Branch 14 now has 60 members with a new member inducted today. A letter of concern was reviewed to be sent by the Secretary to members not attending meetings to learn how Branch 14 can resolve these 8 members not participating and having fun with Branch 14. New Member Applications were made available at the luncheon meeting. Recruiting plans for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Sunrise Mall Famers Market were approved

with sign up opportunities given to help gain new friends. The Next Approved outing Activity is February 4, 10 a.m. to tour the Golden One Center, Contact Hal Snow if you wish to attend. The Branch luncheon was well attended, and Kelly (Cogir Facility Host) had a great menu for all to enjoy and the service was very nice. Each Committee Chair reported on planned activity events. Don Reinmuth advised me he must step down as Bowling Committee Chair which he has held for so many years and Branch 14 appreciates all his leadership and hard work making this activity a success. Bill Boxwell will act as Bowling Chairman, now. The new Poker Activity was held (Chairman Len Ohlendorf) after lunch across the hall from our lunch area. In addition, a new Cribbage activity was proposed and appears to be likely under the Chairmanship of Howard Mann (details pending, soon). Little Sir arranged for TSA to speak and members had many questions.



**LITTLE SIR-LEN OHLENDORF (916) 803-1650**

Our January meeting day was full of planning, fun and fellowship. The Branch Executive Committee met prior to the luncheon. The Committee members reviewed our Branch activities and acknowledged the completion of the annual Audit Report. The luncheon agenda was full of vigor and a little laughter. The round table settings made for good conversation. My salmon was delicious. The meeting included a new member induction, welcome Robert Henning, our 60th. member, the Birthday and Member Anniversary celebrations and a review of our wonderful activities. There was a pitch from the Little Sir to be involved with Branch activities. An example of a volunteer activity is the Luncheon Greeter. Thanks to our new member John Hester for stepping up to do this rewarding task. Our guest speaker was Michael Durner, TSA Security Advisor. He explained the safety procedures prior to boarding a commercial passenger airplane. There were quite a few questions from our group. He was very informative. Finally, we had our first SIRs poker game. Seven happy players, dealer choice on the games. We played for two hours. No one won or lost more than five dollars. Join us next month.

Do not miss the February 27th luncheon. Our speaker will be our own new member Chris Barker presenting information on the beautiful auto, the Mercedes AMG.



**ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES**

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

59 Members, January 1, 2020  
15 Members Absent  
44 Members served, January 23, 2020 (75%)  
6 Guests  
0 Speaker  
50 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**

59 Members, January 1, 2020  
+1 Henning R #114 New member  
60 Members, February 1, 2020

6 New members pending, February 1, 2020

## JANUARY BIRTHDAY BOYS



**John Knox, Hal Snow, Steve Willett, and  
Gene Holdren**

## NEW MEMBER



**Robert Henning with Little Sir,  
Len Ohlendorf**

<b>SONS IN RETIREMENT - FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14</b>			
<b>BIRTHDAY</b>	<b>LAST</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>NU</b>
<b>2/16/33</b>	<b>LEWIS</b>	<b>Richard E.</b>	<b>342</b>
<b>2/6/34</b>	<b>FARNSWORTH</b>	<b>Thomas G.</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>2/5/43</b>	<b>JULIAN</b>	<b>Gary F</b>	<b>76</b>

<b>SONS IN RETIREMENT-BRANCH 14 -FEBRUARY-DATE JOINED SIR</b>			
<b>DATE JOINED SIRS</b>	<b>LAST</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>NU</b>
<b>2/27/03</b>	<b>MANN</b>	<b>Howard L.</b>	<b>134</b>
<b>2/22/07</b>	<b>FREITAS</b>	<b>Joseph M.</b>	<b>74</b>
<b>2/26/09</b>	<b>JOHANSEN</b>	<b>Ray</b>	<b>220</b>

## **WINE AND CIGAR WINNERS**



**Dewey Short, Steve Willett (Cigar) and  
John Knox**

### **GUESTS**

DOYLE SOUDERS  
GLEN TYSOM  
JEFF DUERR  
MAX TIMMONS  
JIM DEFERRAR  
BUCK HOLLEN

### **SPONSOR**

HUGH THOMPSON  
HAL SNOW  
HAL SNOW  
GARY JULIAN  
ROD BOTTELL  
DENNIS SCOVILL

**THE 2020 ROSTER WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE FEBRUARY 27, 2020  
MEETING.**



## **Branch 14 Photo Contest Rules - 2020**

The **Branch 14 Photo Contest** returns for its 8<sup>th</sup> season and will be held during the Ladies' Day Luncheon, **October 22, 2020**. There will be four categories again this year, but only one photo, up to 5" X 7," per category may be submitted. The categories will be **Architecture**, **Nature**, **Portrait**, and **Other**. Photos either at the **September 24th meeting** or mailed to me to be received by **Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**, so I will have time to organize and assemble the displays, make vote tally sheets, etc. In the past, photos had to be taken within the preceding year. But, with the delay in starting the contest up again, all photos taken January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. or later will be eligible for submission.

### **CATEGORIES:**

**Architecture** - A manmade structure or structures. Structures may include non-building structures.

**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.

**Open** - Any image whether or not it fits into any of the other categories. This category used to be called **Other**.

Photos may be post-processed with tools such as PhotoShop, 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 marketplace 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. **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes will be awarded, as well as Best In Show** (photo getting the most votes overall).

Get started by setting up a folder called Branch 14 Photo Contest 2020, or something similar, then begin storing possible contest entries there. If you have questions, please email me at [TandBSilver@aol.com](mailto:TandBSilver@aol.com).

- Tom Silver, Photo Contest Coordinator,

*With gratitude to Bob Wall, the Founding Father of this contest...*





# TOUR OF GOLDEN ONE CENTER

## (Another Social Outing for Sirs Branch 14)

Members and their guests are scheduled to tour the Golden One Center on Tuesday, February 4, 10 AM. Parking is at the West Premium Garage, 325 L Street (not Macy's garage). The Golden One Center will validate for parking. There is also no cost for the tour nor are tips permitted. Members and guests are to meet in the Lobby of the Sawyer Hotel, 500 J Street. Attendees need to bring a valid ID.

This 45 minute tour will be followed by lunch (11 AM) at the Sourced BBQ and Spirits Restaurant, 1028 Seventh St. in Sacramento. Cost for the lunch is to be born by members and guests. This restaurant is within walking distance from the Center.

Signups are limited to a maximum 20 and therefore those signing up are expected to attend. After the first 20 signups, a waiting list will be developed by Hal Snow at (916) 822-7344.



**BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844** (Don will not be available for a while so I am listing the scores-Hal Higgins) Bill Boxell is taking over for Don Reinmuth so I will turn this over to him next month-Hal Higgins)

### SOME GOOD BOWLING SCORES IN JANUARY\*

name	games	series
Bob Jackson	152	
Hal Higgins	156.157.159	
Bill Boxell	161, 168, 182	

Jim McCoy fell early in January and did not bowl all month





## WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 239-5888

The January woodworkers meeting at “the barn” was fun and instructive. We started with donuts and cookies and soon went into show and tell. The boys were busy this month and there were a good variety of great crafts on display. Don then did a demonstration of how he made a rifle stock to replace a broken one on a gun that Kiwanis uses in parades. There was a lot involved in the crafting of this gun stock and Don did a great job of showing the numerous jigs he used (see photos). I then did a demonstration of how to put a CA glue finish on bottle stoppers. See the photo of Al Russo with one of the bottle stoppers that was given away. See all woodworkers and potential woodworkers next month on Friday, February 28th at “the barn”.



Don Langley with rifle



Don Langley making stock



Al Russo with Bottle Stopper



## **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).

A member shall be notified in writing, e-mail, and/or telephone by his Branch if he is in violation of the Attendance Rule 100 and is subject to the termination of his Branch membership. See Rule 107. (Revised 6/7/18) (Revised 4/10/18) (Revised 10/30/18)

## **MEETING DATES IN 2020**

**January 23, February 27, March 26, April 23, May 28, June 25,**

**July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 19, and December 17**

**Fort Sutter Branch 14**

**Hal Higgins**

**7324 Villa Del Sol Ln**

**Citrus Heights, CA 95621**