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#### DIGNITY OF RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED MEN

ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN Attendance: Hal Higgins Ass't: Duncan Lyle Badge Custodian: Orley Highfill Ass't: Don Langley 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:: Orley Highfill Greeters: Jim McCoy Ass't: Andy Effimger Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins Membership, Activities Group: Gary Wheeler Member Relations Group: Hal Snow New Membership Recruitment: Gary Wheeler Ass't: Jim McColm Programs:Dan Franke Photographer: Joe Freitas Sirs 14 Photo Group: Bob Wall Sunshine: Bob Jackson Telephone Tree: Hal Snow Ass't: Merle Dodd, Paul Willett, and Jim Pondexter Tour Director: Dan Franke Woodwork: Don Langley

BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING-10:45 GENERAL MEETING - 11:30 WE MEET THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH State website: <u>www.sirinc.org</u> Sirs 14 website: : <u>http://branch14.weebly.com</u> AT CARMICHAEL ELKS 5631 Cypress Avenue Carmichael

# NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 17 2015

LUNCHEON MENU BAKED HAM WITH YAMS AND VEGETABLES (remember the meeting is on the third Thurs, not the fourth)



#### BIG SIR'S MESSAGE – ROBERT NIELD- 652-8347

I hope that everyone was able to enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving. I personally am looking forward to a wonderful Christmas, and a outstanding New Year. We had a great meeting this month with the possibility of adding three new members. ? As we mention at each meeting it is very important to bring new guests to our meeting in hopes of expanding our membership. I

believe that the Ladies Day Luncheon was a wonderful event for our ladies. I want to thank Hal Snow for doing an outstanding job putting together the awesome event, Dan Franke for arraigning the entertainment, and Tom Silver for the Photograph contest. Last but not least I would like to thank the Sir's members of the Woodworking group who constructed the wonderful wood products that were sold during the luncheon. Next month will be my last month as Big Sir, and I wish to thank everyone in advance who has assisted me throughout the year. For those friends that will not be able to attend the December meeting, I would like to wish them and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Wonderful New Year.

## LITTLE SIR-DAN FRANKE-944-7676



Happy Holidays! I know.....how can it be almost Thanksgiving and soon December and all that Christmas/Hanukkah hustle. Busy time for all of us. I hope you learned something from our November speaker Dr. Jennifer Rothschild. Next month our speaker will be Nancy Scovill (wife of our SIR Dennis Scovill). Nancy will be speaking about her research into her fathers WW II story. I am sure it will be an interesting presentation. Remember our December luncheon will be on the 17th due to Christmas. Bring a friend!

Great job on the trivia question last month. Two tables with the correct answer. Next month our trivia question will be about Mt. Saint Helens. Study up.=

## ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES



- ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN , Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771
  - 43 Active members, November 1, 2015
  - 11 Members Absent
  - 32 Members served, November 19, 2015 (74%)

<u>3</u> Guests

35 Lunches served, November 19, 2015

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

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

43 Active members , November 1, 2015-1J Silver#7742 Active members, December 1, 2015

Resigned

3 Inactive members, November 1, 2015No Change3 Inactive members, December 1, 2015

0 New member pending, December 1, 2015

## Please make the following changes in your 2015 Roster:

<sup>•</sup><u>Delete the following member</u>:

Page 23 John Silver #77

Resigned





#### SONS IN RETIREMENT - DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

	(All Members)		
BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NUMBER
12/15	LANGLEY	Donald P.	17
12/16	EFFINGER	Andrew F.	329
12/18	FREITAS	Joseph M.	74
12/22	EASTHAM	Howard	339

#### OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS

#### NOVEMBER WINE WINNERS



Bob Neil

No shows: Paul Willett, John Evers, Clayton Moore, Albert Russo, and Eldon Vipond



Jim Poindexter, Don Langley and Hal Snow



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

The only thing to report was Dick Dunn fell & has stitches to the forehead & bruising as well, but we could all see that, or at least that was his story, maybe Thelma was the real culprit. Our star woodworker Dick Lewis had a small fight with a table saw & also had stitches to his finger, we hope both recover & are more careful in the future. No update on Merle Dodd, his son said he would keep me updated but no word as of this date.

#### 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

# 2015 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS - Tom Silver, Coordinator



Here are further results from the 2015 Photo Contest:

<u>Nature</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Dan Franke "A Flower On a Beach"

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Dan Franke "Fungi on a Tree Root"

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Pam Franke Untitled - lion



# <u>Portrait</u>

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Hal Higgins "Cat Art"

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Tom Silver "Bungee Girl"

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Hal Higgins "Girl Feeding Pigeons"





## WOOD WORK CHAIRMAN–DON LANGLEY –944-4219



The Woodworkers met at my shop on Friday, November 20, 2015 at 10:00 with the warm pot belly stove. Gene Holdren provided the donuts. We had our usual bull session and show and tell. Hal Snow brought a new member, Mike Hutchin, who is a possible new SIRS member also. We repaired a cabinet door for Gene, sliced some black walnut on the band saw for Hal and planned for our next meeting on December 18th at 10:00, again at my shop on Grant Avenue in

Carmichael. Our plan is to have Dan Franke show us the use of the lathe. Dan does some great work and it should be interesting. Everyone is welcome to attend, woodworker, or not. It's always just friendly fun.

NOVEMBER SPEAKER



Big Sir, Bob Nield; speaker Ass't. Jesica Eddy; speaker, Dr Jennifer Rothschild, Little Sir, Dan Franke

Al Thearle Jim Cates Alan Cates **GUESTS** 

Host-G. Holdren Host- D. Jackson Host- D. Jackson

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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 2015 January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23, May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 19, and December 17.

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