



FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14

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

2018 OFFICERS

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

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Area 3 Governor: Georgio Dina
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Attendance: Hal Higgins
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Ass't:
Bowling: Don Reinmuth
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Chaplain: Dick Lewis
Golf: Dick Lewis
Greeters: Jim McCoy
Ass't: Len Ohlendorf
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins
New Membership Recruitment: Hal Snow
Programs: Al Russo
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

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.weebly.com>

AT CARMICHAEL ELKS
5631 Cypress Avenue
Carmichael

NEXT MEETING MAY 24 2018 AT BROOKDALE SENIOR LIVING

LUNCHEON MENU

Menu is not available. It will be emailed later



BIG SIR-DENNIS SCOVILL-635-5847

Our second month at Brookdale appeared to be another success. There are still some rough edges to smooth out, but comments I have heard were overwhelmingly positive. There was also a little constructive criticism, and that is good. That is how we will smooth out those rough edges to keep improving our luncheons.

Moving our luncheons to Brookdale relieved us of the pressure from a minimum number of lunches that we would otherwise have to buy. But our problem of shrinking membership did not go away. One way to address this problem is to merge with another Branch, and at the April luncheon I discussed the negotiations we are starting to potentially merge with Branch 33 Country Club. Branch 33 has some strengths that mesh well with our own successful activities, and participating in some of their ongoing activities would give us more opportunities for fun and enjoyment. Some of their key activities are a very talented singing group (two Branch 14 members already participate), poker nights and bridge nights, informal breakfast meetings, and joining a stronger golf group. Offering more fun activities is also an opportunity to attract more members into SIR, which is important to maintain even a merged branch.

While there are some good reasons to merge, there are also several issues we would have to resolve. A couple of the obvious issues are that we would outgrow the size of luncheons that Brookdale could accommodate, and we may have to move our luncheons to a date that would work for members of both Branches. Any decisions on whether to merge or how to merge must have the support of our Branch 14 membership. We will be soliciting input from each of you in the near future.



LITTLE SIR-AL RUSSO-(714) 642-0586

Our April meeting which was held at Brookdale Senior Living. The attendance was not quite as it has been the last two months, but certainly better than the few months before that. A new member was inducted, Fred Sheller. The program featured Guy Hall as our speaker who told us about the coming of autonomous cars. Seems the next few years will bring more driverless cars on the road which will have dramatic implications for jobs and the economy; some good, some bad.

Our next month's speaker is Brian Rasmussen who will talk about how to avoid scams.

The wine winner this month was Duane Clark who won both bottles. Let's hope he didn't have a hangover Friday morning.

ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES



ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN, Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

43 Active members, April 1, 2018

13 Members Absent

30 Members served, April 26, 2018 (70%)

1 speaker

1 guest

32 Lunches served, April 26, 2018

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, April 1, 2018

+1 Sheller #32

New member

44 Active members, May 1, 2018

1 Inactive member, April 1, 2018

No change

1 Inactive members, May 1, 2018

0 New member pending, May 1, 2018

Please make the following changes in your 2018 Roster:

Please add the following new member:

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Sheller, Fredric E

7418 Stock Ranch Rd Apt 3203

Citrus Heights, CA 95621

Home phone: (916) 500-2954

Birthday: 07/04/1923

E-mail: FREDSELLER@COMCAST.NET

Sponsor: Dick Dunn

Joined: 4/26/2018

Worked: Civil Service and U S Air Force



Badge 32

NEW MEMBER INDUCTED



Fred Sheller and Big Sir, Dennis Scovill

SONS IN RETIREMENT - MAY BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

(All Members)

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
5/2	PECCIANI	Doug H	45

MAY BIRTHDAY BOYS



Duane Clark, Bob Jackson, Ardell McCombs and
Herbert Tompkins III

WINE WINNER



Duane Clark won both

Happy Mother's Day



SIR-WIFE ANNIVERSARY (MAY))

Anniversary Date	Last Name	First Name	Wife
5/16/81	CARRAN	Mike A	Lynn
5/9/81	FREITAS	Joseph M.	Jane
5/15/01	LANGLEY	Donald P.	Ann
5/23/75	McCOMBS	Ardell	Sharon
5/29/82	SCOVILL	Dennis A.	Nancy

BOWLING CHAIRMAN –DON REINMUTH 456-1844



The league has finished bowling for the season. We will have a meeting before the league starts and I will let you when it will be.

Our Teams did not fair very well in the Sweeper only limited awards were awarded.

Our teams 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.

Some high scores bowled .

GAMES

SERIES

Jim McCoy 203

Bill Boxell 180

Bob Jackson 163 164

SPLITS MADE

HIGH ROLLERS

Awards for the 2017-18 Bowling Season

High handicap series 90+

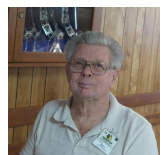
Jim McCoy 730

GOLF-

BILL BOXELL,

DICK JACKSON,

DICK LEWIS



(916) 966-0518

(916) 652-2223

(916) 961-1244

(Editor's Note: Dick Lewis has agreed to be the Golf Chairman with assistance from Dick Jackson and Bill Boxell.)

GOLF SCORES

They were nothing to brag about so did not show.

Next Golf: Monday 08:15 May 7, 2018 at Antelope Greens Golf Course



Branch 14 Photo Contest

- Tom Silver, Coordinator

There has been no interest expressed in the photo contest for 2018 - at least as far as running the event is concerned, so I am still looking for a replacement. It is time for some new and, perhaps, younger blood contributing to its production. Bob Wall and I are in our 80s, so, perhaps some youngster, say, around 75!

I will be at the side of anyone interested in taking the position over, with as much or as little assistance as desired. Perhaps, from your seeing the event from the outside, you have some ideas for improvement. This would be your opportunity to make those changes. In addition to most of the supplies already existing, there is extensive documentation of the forms, bulletin announcements, contest rules evolution, and past results from the seven contests Bob Wall and I held (Bob four, me three).

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact me at:

E-mail - TandBSilver@aol.com

Voice - 916-988-0536

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WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 239-5888

Our April woodworkers meeting at the barn was another great day of food, friends and sawdust. Thanks for all the donuts, pastries and cakes that were brought to the meeting. Show and tell had a nice mix of excellent crafts that members crafted over the past month. See some of these items in the picture. The short class session described how to “stain” wood with a vinegar/steel wool solution and how to darken this “stain” with tea. After this everyone was given the opportunity to make a set of wood book-ends. This project entailed the use of dado blade saw, bandsaw, scroll saw, router, brad nailer and several types of sanders. We have a lot of fun so come and join us next month on Friday, May 25th at The Barn. Dan.



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 2018

January 25, February 22, March 22, April 26, May 24, June 28,
July 26, August 23, September 27, October 25, November 15, and December 27.

Fort Sutter Branch 14
Hal Higgins
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