FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14

2021 OFFICERS
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Little Sir: Tom Tompkins
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Ass't: Rod Bottel
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Ass't:
Chaplain: Dick Lewis
Golf: Dick Lewis
Greeters:
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New Membership Recruitment: Hal Snow
Ass't: Dennis Scovill and Len Ohlendorf
Programs: Tom Tompkins
Photo Group Tommy Silver
Photographer: Joe Freitas
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Tom Tompkins
Ass't: John Evers, Gary Julian, Dennis Micheletti, and Jack Melvin
Tour Director: Hal Snow
Winemakers: Ken Krueger
Woodwork: Dan Franke

BEC MEETING-11:00 ZOOM 2ND THURS
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 Cogir of Stock Ranch Senior Living
7418 Stock Ranch Rd
Citrus Heights

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2021 (one week earlier)

LUNCHEON MENU

Fresh bread to start

Starter soup will be Tomato Bisque or choice of garden salad

Entrée's - Choice of Hearty Beef Stew OR Tuna Melt Sandwich - w/onion rings

Dessert will be Bailey's Chocolate Mousse topped w/peppermint chips

This is the December 2021 bulletin

BIG SIR-LEN OHLENDORF (916) 803-1650

Well, 2021 is winding down. I want to thank the Officers, Board Members and Activity Chairmen for their contributions to Branch 14. Your dedication is much appreciated. A special shout out to the woodworkers of our Branch. Their artwork brought in over $1,500 at our Ladies Luncheon. SIRs' mission continues to be to enhance the lives of our members through fun activities and events. It is so important for us to stay physical and have camaraderie through social opportunities.

I want to wish you a joyous Thanksgiving with friends and family. Christmas is just around the corner. What are some Christmas traditions that you remember. As a child my family went to church on both Christmas Eve and

Christmas Day. Gifts were opened both days. Lots of food, leaving Santa milk and cookies, kissing under the mistletoe, drinking eggnog and, oh, did I mention, opening gifts?

With the new year comes new Branch leadership. Thank you to Tom Tompkins and Ken Krueger for taking on the their new roles of Big SIR and Little SIR. Thank you again to Bob Jackson, Rob Bottel, Dick Lewis, Bill Boxell, Al Russo, Paul Cary, Chris Barker, Milo Tubbs, Dennis Scovill, Hal Higgins, Dan Franke, Don Langley, Joe Frietas, Dennis Micheletti, and Hal Snow for their roles in 2022.

I wish you all safe and happy Holidays.

Len

Sirs Member Profile - Harold (Hal) Higgins

Hal was born in Oroville, California. He attended grammar and high school there and then went on to the University of California, Berkeley, in 1948. At Cal he received a BS degree in Civil Engineering and a commission in the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers as a 2nd Lieutenant. He spent his 2 years active duty in Fort Leonard, Missouri and in Korea. Hal stayed in the Army reserves after active duty and retired in 1990 with a rank of Colonel.

In 1956, he went to work for the State of California, Department of Water Resources and retired in 1991. He was mostly in water resources planning at the Department

Hal has been married twice, to two wonderful ladies.

He was married to Toni for 47 years. They were avid golfers and took many trips to play or to take golf lessons. Toni hit the ball farther than Hal and was a better golfer. They had a 30 foot travel trailer and traveled around central and western United States and into Canada. Toni passed away in 2005

His second wife, Pat, was an avid bridge player. That was where they met. Pat and Hal did a lot of traveling, mostly for sight seeing, but also to play golf. They started taking ballroom dancing lessons and attended dances at the Carmichael Elks and at a hotel in Mazatlan, Mexico. Pat passed away in March of this year.

LITTLE SIR-TOM TOMPKINS (916) 961-3670

Greetings from your Little Sir,

December is here. This year has sure flown by quickly.

Our November Luncheon and Meeting was a rousing success and we had a great speaker along with a wonderful meal.

Our speaker, was Deborah Larson from the Sacramento County adult protective services. Deborah has been with the county many years and has lots of experience in her line of work. Sacramento County adult protective services has a 24 hour hotline 916-874-9377 it is maned 24 hours a day 365 days a year. This agency not only serves the elderly, 65 and older but also serves dependent adults ages 18 through 64. Dependent adults are people with physical or mental limitations who cannot care for themselves. Sacramento County adult protective services responds to reports of abuse and neglect of elders or dependent adults in Sacramento County.

Sacramento county in 2015 had low income elderly 28,320 (10% of Sacramento County's population) 75 years and older 79,836 (29%), living alone 56,835 (21%).Deborah Larson encouraged all of our SIRS members to contact her directly if they had any questions.

A big thank you to Ken Krueger who stepped up and is going to assume the responsibilities of our Little SIR in 2022.

Our Big SIR, Len Ohlendorf, has done a great job leading our branch in 2021. Len leaves a huge set of shoes for me to fill. I thank him for his guidance and his leader ship and his dedication to our branch, thank you Len.

Our speaker for our December meeting is Michael Derner from TSA, this should be an interesting presentation please join us for our December luncheon.

Until next time

Tom Tompkins

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Dennis Micheletti

IN MEMORIAM

EUGENE HOLDREN

THOMAS FARNSWORTH

Please make the following changes in your 2021 Roster

Delete the following members:

Page 10			
Tom Farnsworth	#91		`Deceased
Page 13			
Eugene Holdren	#84		Deceased
Page 23			
Randy Rozanski	#78		Resigned
Page 26			
Wheeler	#9		Rsigned
Page 28			
Jim McCoy		95	Resigned
Page 29			
Clayton Moore	#164		Dropped
Albert Thearle	#185		Dropped

Please add the following new members:

Page 17
Robert E Koch Bob Wife: Kitty
1072 Zodiac Ln
Roseville, CA 95747
Phone: (916)297-7430
Birthday: 10/28/1948
E-mail: rek.koch@gmail.com
Sponsor: Robert Waters #180
Joined: 11/18/2021
Worked: Product Marketing Manager, Adobe Systems Badge 145

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David M Schwartz Dave Wife: Robin
4134 Naturwood Ct
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
Phone: (916) 863-6284
Birthday: 5/28/1955
E-Mail: davemsch@gmail.com
Sponsor: Bob Jackson #117
Joined: 11/18/2021
Worked: Adventist Health Corporate Office, Systems Analyst Badge: 56

Happy Thanksgiving

BIRTHDAY BOYS , NOVEMBER

John Evers*, Al Russo, and Jim Casali
*wine winner

DATE JOINED SIRS, NOVEMBER

Dennis Scovill*,and Dewey Roberts, with Little Sir Tom Tompkins

SONS IN RETIREMENT - DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
12/18/39	FREITAS	Joseph M.	74
12/15/41	LANGLEY	Donald P.	17
12/16/53	BARKER	Chris	70

BRANCH 14-DATE JOINED SIR–DECEMBER

DATE JOINED SIR	LAST	FIRST	NU
12/18/08	JOHANSEN	Ray	220
12/20/18	PASCOE	Nicolaus	48
12/19/19	BARKER	Chris	70
12/19/19	JENSEN	Douglas L	93
12/19/19	JULIAN	Ray	92
12/17/20	PRYOR	Thomas Lester	103
12/17/91	REINMUTH	Donald E.	324

ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES

ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

58 Members, November 1, 2021
21 Members Absent
37 Members served, November 18, 2021 (64%)
1 Guest
1 Speaker
38 Lunches served (speaker did not eat lunch)

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

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins

58	Members, November 1, 2021		
-1	Holdren	#84	Deceased
-1	McCoy	#95	Resigned
-1	Moore	#164	Dropped
-1	Rozanski	#120	Resigned
-1	Thearle	#185	Dropped
-1	Wheeler	#9	Resigned
-1	Farnsworth	#91	Deceased
+1	Koch	#145	New member
+1	Schwartz	#56	New member
53	Members, December 1, 2021		

1 New member pending, December 1, 2021

BOWLING CHAIRMAN –BILL BOXELL 966-0518 (Bill is not available for awhile so I am listing the scores-Hal Higgins)

SOME GOOD BOWLING SCORES IN NOVEMBER

name	games	series	Splits
Joe Freitas	186, 132	412	3-10
Hal Higgins	140, 160, 163, 180	449. 479	6-7-10 5-6 5-6
Bob Jackson	140, 179	393	
Dennis Micheletti	146. 148, 158, 159	446	5-7 3-10 3-10 3-10

SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 338-6969

Tom Farnsworth passed away on November 17

Gene Holdren passed away October 31

Dick Jackson is still in the hospital with an infection around his lung and they will be draining it.

Don Reinmuth is in hospice and has stopped taking any medication.

ROBERT KOCH HAD A GUEST
Gregory Brown who we hope to induct next month

WINEMAKERS –CHAIRMAN: KEN KRUEGER (916) 751-0568.

The Winemaker group met twice in November, where the objective of the first meeting was to prepare for the monthly gathering, which takes place the day before the luncheon. The principle activity during the session was to distill a batch of homemade Petite Sarah donated by SIR member Bill Campbell of the Pollock Pines Branch. The day yielded about a gallon of what is destined to become a key ingredient is several fine liquors. As usual, the day was punctuated with the tasting of our prior efforts. Six members were in attendance.

As always, the Winemakers meet at 9:00 am at Don's Barn, 6341 Grant Ave, in Carmichael. We meet the day **BEFORE** the normally scheduled Luncheon at Stock Ranch. Branch 14 members who are interested in joining the wine group can either give me a call (Ken Krueger) or show up at the monthly gathering. Until next month, be happy, wear your masks in public, get your Covid booster shot and be safe out there.

WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE 239-5888

We held our November woodworkers meeting at "the barn" on a cool Friday but with the potbelly stove fired up, the twelve of us were quite comfortable. Snacks by Dennis Scovill and coffee by Ann Langley were great. The highlight of our show-and-tell for me was the series of beautiful boxes that Howard Mann has made (see photo). We then altered our normal meeting format. We broke up into four work groups and worked on several projects that Don needed done to the shop. Great progress was achieved and Don was very pleased. Least we could do for Don considering all he does and provides for us. Our December meeting will return to our usual format. Remember that both our December luncheon and woodworkers meeting will be a week earlier due to the Christmas holiday. I'll see all you woodworkers on Friday, December 17th at 10am at "the barn".

Howard Mann Boxes

This bulletin was approved by the Big Sir

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 2021

January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24,
July 22, August 26, September 23, October 28, November 18, and December 16

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Hal Higgins
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