

Sons In Retirement

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OF RETIRED MEN · DEVOTED TO THE PROMOTION OF INDEPENDENCE AND DIGNITY OF RETIREMENT

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LUNCHEON · 12 NOON · 2nd WEDNESDAY
NEXT MEETING OUR 599th

June 2008

ELKS LODGE, 229 WEST 20TH AVE., SAN MATEO
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2008



Big Sir Bob Sez... Wow, did you see those dancers at the Ladies Day Spring Luncheon? I thought they started off a little slow - problems with the PA system and all that, but about half through their show, I was starting to dance with them while I was sitting in my chair. By the time they were doing "Saturday Night Fever" I thought I was John Travolta! I had a great time and I hope everyone else did too.

Many thanks to the team that put this year's Ladies Day Spring Luncheon together. Michael Murphy did a great job harnessing the talents of George Riley. And Jim McGill – how did you get all of those gifts? I have never seen so many \$100 gifts certificates and to places like the Iron Gate! All I can say is WOW, for the second time.

Switching gears, I think everyone knows that June is nomination month. Each year the Nomination Committee seeks out good candidates for next year's Officers and Directors. If you know anyone who would make a good Executive Committee member, please call or talk to Jim Wyatt, Bill Walsh, Ken Rives, Stan Angel, or Bill Schinagl and give them your nomination. Everyone who is willing, will be given a chance to serve. If you can't think of anyone to nominate, nominate yourself! Don't be shy, if you don't want to nominate yourself, tell me and I'll nominate you. This is your chance to serve and to get more out of your membership in SIR. It is through service that we grow our commitment and deepen our ties in SIR. The more we are involved, the greater our rewards.

Speaking of contributing to the cause, many of us contribute to our Branch Number One by contributing \$20 at the beginning of the year, others give \$2.00 every month at the "table collections." These contributions are extremely important in covering our Branch expenses, which consist of a number of items such as postage, bulletin production, supplies, guest speaker lunches, and SIR State pro-rata assessment. We all know that prices for everything are going up, particularly for food service. SIR stands head and shoulder over every other activity available to retired men. It is a great value because of your contributions of time, talent and money.

Don't forget to bring a guest!

Bob Asselstine

THE JUNE PROGRAM

Have you ever been concerned about Identity Theft? How about the theft of your computer passwords? How do thieves get this information and more importantly... how do we protect ourselves? Identity Theft is the number one crime in the world! That's right, in the world! We must all be vigilant to protect ourselves and our loved ones! How can we do this?

The first step could be to come and listen to our June speaker. Sergeant Dan Wright heads up a program called REACT in South San Francisco. He has been committed to researching and understanding all of the techniques used in Identity Theft. This crime not only robs you of your money, but it ruins your credit rating and consumes lots of your time in re-establishing your credit. Dan will discuss the current trends and the latest precautions we can take to guard against this crime. He will be available to answer all your questions.

So, come and enjoy lunch with your friends and learn how to protect yourself against Identity Theft, the world's Number One Crime!

INVITE A FRIEND....BRING A GUEST!

THE JUNE MENU

Mixed Greens Salad
Italian and Ranch Dressings on the Table
Breaded Pork Loin
Mashed Potatoes
A Hot Vegetable
Rolls and Butter
Cherry Crisp
Coffee or Tea



Note: If you have special dietary requirements or preferences that exclude the menu choice at any regular luncheon, don't be discouraged. Alternatives can be made available. Call the **SuperPhone (341-8298)** or Luncheon Chairman **John Chiapelone** at **341-6404** and explain your needs.

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR GIFT DONORS!

We thank the following establishments for their very generous donation of gift certificates awarded as drawing prizes at our Ladies Spring Luncheon. We are grateful for their support of SIR Branch 1. You can acknowledge their support by your patronage of these fine establishments.

Astaria	50 East 3rd Ave	San Mateo
Bay Watch	201 2nd Ave	San Mateo
Capelini Ristorante	310 Baldwin Ave	San Mateo
Dominic's Oyster Pt	425 Marina Blvd	SSF
Dominic's Poplar Crk	Golf Course	San Mateo
English Rose	663 Laurel St	San Carlos
Hillsdale Mall		San Mateo
Iron Gate	1360 El Camino Real	Belmont
Izzy's Steak House	525 Skyway Road	San Carlos
Luceti's	109 West 25th Ave	San Mateo
Macaroni Grill	Hillsdale Shop Cntr	San Mateo
Spiedo	223 East 4th Ave	San Mateo
Trapeze	266 Lorton Ave	Burlingame

BRANCH ONE COMPUTER GROUP

by Bob Melvin

Our last meeting for our Computer Group in the Oak Meeting Room at the San Mateo Public Library is scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 2008. The door will be open at 8:30am for coffee & rolls and the program will start at 9:00am. Bring any questions you may have on Computer Operations, problems or solutions you have discovered. Come with interesting computer information you may have found to share with the Group.

We welcome our member, Rick Dusine, who has agreed to take over as Chairman for the Computer Group. He will be a leader with considerable computer knowledge. He will also be our speaker at the June 24 meeting. He intends to do a short presentation in which he will offer a few different ideas for sharing our digital images with others. With the cooperation of the computer Gods, he will illustrate, with examples, a video slide show and Power Point presentation.

Remember, you can park on the three floors under the Library, take elevator up to ground level and through the iron gate to your right as you leave the elevator, walk to rear of the building to enter the Oak Meeting Room.

Starting on July 22, 2008, we will meet at the Peninsula Community Foundation at 1700 South El Camino Real in San Mateo. Parking is available on the west side of the building. Please use the entrance on the South Side of the building, near the rear. We will use the same schedule: 8:30am for coffee & rolls with the program to start at 9am.

TREASURER ANNOUNCES PAYMENT METHOD CHANGE

The Branch has had a long standing banking arrangement with the Hillsdale Office of the Bank of America. The bank provides Branch 1 with checking and cash handling services at no cost except for printing charges for checks and deposit slips.

Treasurer John Mahaffy reports that he has begun to use another of the bank's free services. Most of the branch's bills are now being paid using the Bank of America on-line payment process. Paying bills this way gives the branch a clearer description of why each check was issued as the recipient's name appears on the monthly bank statement instead of a check number. There is even a minor savings of branch funds – the bank pays the 42 cents postage!

If you are owed money by the branch, look for your payment to come in a Bank of America envelope that clearly says PAYMENT ENCLOSED, and not in an envelope with the Branch 1 return address.

JUNE BIRTHDAY BOYS



1 Rich Murphy; 4 Carl Kuhlman, Arney Lundquist; 5 Burton Roberts, Al Ward; 10 Ed Berkyto; 11 Dick Stark; 14 John Quilici; 15 Ron Lowe; 16 Howie East, Dean Mawdsley; 17 John Casey, Bill Dickson, Ron Weber; 18 Joe Nye; 19 Ralph Behling; 20 Bob Lillo; 22 Mort Levinson; 23 Bob Belloni, Mostyn Lloyd, Hugh Schragger; 25 Dave Collins; 27 Norm Nelson, John Young; 30 Mike Murphy

SAVE THE DATE

Branch 1 and the SIR organization turns 50 in 2008. The Branch will celebrate the event with a special lunch on August 13. This is one day when every Sir should try to be in attendance. Mark it on your calendar now!

August 13 – SIR Branch 1's 50th birthday bash!



ACTIVITIES

Chairman: Gilman L. Goodrich 650-941-4616

***AMATEUR RADIO: Chairman, Warren Struven, W6CB, 591-0125.** Current "on the air" schedules are: Tuesday 0740 3668 kHz, Wednesday 1000 7272 kHz, Thursday 1030 146.85 MHz, Friday 0900 3925 kHz.

BOWLING: Chairman, Bill Saavedra, 589-1789; Bel Mateo Bowl: League bowling at 10:00 AM on Thursdays and 10:00 AM Fridays.

BRIDGE: Chairman, George Thompson 589-6646, Vice Chairman, Mel Frank 342-8038. Please call George or Mel for Schedule and Location.

COMPUTERS: Chairman, Bob Melvin, 342-9080, Group meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Oak Room, on the ground floor, southwest corner of the new San Mateo Library at 55 3rd Ave. Coffee and donuts at 9:00am, Speaker at 9:30am. Novices and experts, PC and Apple, all are welcome.

***DIGITAL IMAGING,** subgroup of Computer Group, **Chairman, Bob Melvin, 342-9080.** Please contact the chairman for further information if interested.

DOMINOES: Chairman, John Danenhower, 780-9551; Assist. Clarence Conrad, 572-9126. Meets every Tuesday at San Mateo Senior Center. Play starts at 12 noon and continues to about 3:00 PM.

ECONOMIC RESEARCH: Chairman, Tom Keefer, 342-7977, e-mail tkeefe979@aol.com Meets third Wednesday for lunch at Dominic's at Poplar Creek Golf Course, San Mateo. Speakers address aspects of business and public affairs.

***GARDENING: Chairman, Harold Lembright, 697-8665;** Assist., Bill Helms, 954-6262. Meets 4th Thursday of month at 2:00 PM. Wives invited. Call to be certain of meeting date, time and place.

GENEALOGY: Chairman, George Henderson, 345-7269; Assist., John Young, 342-3087. Meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM at the Peninsula Community Center Small Conference Room, 1700 South El Camino Real, San Mateo.

***GOLF: Chairman, Mike Murphy, 345-9731;** Assist., Tony Perrone 583-8331.

STAMP CLUB: Chairman, Gil Goodrich, 941-4616: Group meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:00am at the Peninsula Community Foundation Building at 1700 South El Camino Real, San Mateo. Speaker and then stamp trading.

STOCK STUDY GROUP: Chairman, Jim Felker, 342-8103; Assist., Dick Nelson. Meets on the second Monday of the month at 10:00 AM at the Peninsula Community Center Small Conference Room, 1700 South El Camino Real, San Mateo.

TENNIS: Chairman, Bill Saavedra, 389-1789; Assist. Larry Yamamoto, 595-4675. Call for time and place.

* BRANCH 1 ONLY

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:

The following activities sponsored by other Branches in Area One are available to Branch One members: Bocci Ball, Barber Shop Chorus and Horse Shoes. In addition, Lawn Bowling, Pedro, Pinochle, Stamp Collecting, and Wood Working groups will be established if sufficient interest is found in Area One. Contact Gilman L. Goodrich at 941-4616 or email him at gil.goodrich@sbcglobal.net for further information if you are interested in any of these groups.

MICHAEL CLARK'S TRAVEL CORNER

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Every year about this time the same thing happens - I will get a telephone call from a fellow Sir. "Any openings for Beach Blanket Babylon??" - "No. All sold out" - "What !! Sold out? It's still eight months away". This OR something like it happens every year. The good, popular shows/trips sell out fast! So a word to the wise, "Get your money in quickly." Or as they say "you snooze - you loose".

Right now I am working on a trip for 2010!! (I'm not snoozing!!) 2010 - that's right. Every ten years, the little German village of Oberammergau performs the world famous "Passion Play". Our SIR Area Travel Committee is allowing Branch One to sponsor a trip to the play (approval of our Executive Board will also be required). I am looking at several different possibilities. They range from an eleven-day German highlights tour (featuring such sights as Berlin, Munich, Black Forest, etc.) for about \$3,900 to a \$5,300 trip that includes Budapest, Vienna, and Prague. If you have a preference - please let me know. Your input is important to us. It will help shape the trip. More on this "trip of a lifetime" next month.

Good luck and keep on traveling.

JUNE GOLF SCHEULE

Wednesday	June 04	Poppy Ridge	9:30am
Tuesday	June 10	Sunol Valley	9:30am
Thursday	June 12	Willow Park	9:00am
Wednesday	June 18	Crystal Springs	9:00am
Wednesday	June 25	Dublin Park	9:30am

Please call Mike Murphy at 650-345-9731 before attending any of these golf outings to confirm space available and changes in schedule or golf course due to weather.

VITAL STATISTICS - MAY 2008

Membership on April 9, 2008	261
New Members Inducted	0
Members Reactivated	0
Members Resigned	0
New Inactive Members	0
Deceased	0
Membership on May 14, 2008	261
Membership on May 9, 2007	278
Attendance on May 14, 2008	171

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“Did you know????
It's my Birth date!!!!
June 23,1958”

Bring a guest on June 9th!

DON'T FORGET – CONTRIBUTIONS DON'T GET YOU OFF THE HOOK FOR FAILING TO CALL AHEAD IF YOU KNOW YOU ARE GOING TO MISS A MEETING! CALL THE SUPERPHONE – 341-8298 – AND HELP THE BRANCH TO WORK WITH THE CATERER TO BE SURE THAT THERE IS ENOUGH FOOD, BUT NOT TOO MUCH.

Miss a meeting?
You will still get the bulletin
and the Branch still
has to pay your portion of the state assessment.
Our costs continue even when you can't come.
Clip the coupon in the lower left corner and do your
part by sending in a contribution.

Bring a guest.
When he joins the branch,
your name
will be here
as the recipient of a free lunch!

Someone ill in your family? Do you need a ride to get to our lunch meeting? Can you give someone a ride? Is there something on your mind about the Branch and how it is running? Let us know. **WE CARE! Call the SUPERPHONE – 341-8298,**

PLEASE clip and mail today

To SIR BRANCH #1
c/o John Mahaffy
4034 Kingridge Drive
San Mateo, CA 94403

I'm enclosing my contribution in the amount of
\$ _____

for Missed meeting donation
 Annual donation
 Just because

Name _____
Badge No. _____

LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE

A member **must** notify the Attendance Committee (**SuperPhone number 341-8298**) 3 days before a regular meeting, with a valid excuse, if he is unable to attend.
Missing 3 consecutive meetings without notification or attending less than 6 regular meetings in the last year can result in **termination**. (See Rule 100)

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.”