



SIR WESTGATE BRANCH 125

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR RETIRED MEN

*Devoted to the Promotion of Independence
and Dignity of Retirement.*

3rd TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

THREE FLAMES RESTAURANT

1547 MERIDIAN AVE., SAN JOSE, CA. 95126

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 10:00 AM

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11:00 AM - LUNCH AT NOON

BRANCH OFFICERS

Big Sir.....Wayne Stewart
Little Sir..... Milt Howard
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Area 5 Governor: Dave Rieser

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Message From the Big Sir

On May 19th Milt Howard and I attended the Area Governors meeting and were able to share thoughts and ideas with the other branch officers. The main theme seemed to be revolve around ways to increase membership in SIRs in our area and region. We came away with a few ideas that we will try to use in the coming months in Branch 125.

Our branch was given a big kudo by Dave Reiser, our area governor about our 2004 history document. Dave held up his copy and both Milt and I had a case of swelled up heads at his comments. We had to report that we were down slightly in our branch membership, but hoped that we would recover with the help from our guys in recruiting new members. Our regional director, Tom Smith also said that he had directed a potential new member to our latest meeting because the fellow wanted to play golf and "Smitty" knew that our 125 golf program was the best around. Another swelling of the heads occurred.

There is a very active gardening group in Area 5/20 that meets once a month to have lunch and various discussions about garden matters under the direction of Carl Lindner. If you are interested, please see me for details.

I also attended an outing of the Roving Roosters RV. If you have a motor home or 5th wheel, this is a great way to meet other SIRs and their wives on a monthly basis. We currently have 43 rigs in our group, but are always looking for more.

We have a full slate of nominated officers for next year and I want to thank the nominating committee for their diligent work in finding members to pitch in. The names will be announced in next months bulletin and we will have an election at our August meeting.

Wayne Stewart

BRANCH 125 ANNUAL BARBECUE @ BLACKBERRY FARM

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2005, 11 A.M.

Tickets are now on sale for the barbecue, at \$20 per man, member or guest. Bob Shields and Ed Murphy will be selling them again at the June 21st luncheon; if you can't be there, give Bob a call at 268-4975. As noted, male guests are welcome, and encouraged; introduce a friend to our Branch. Chef Gene Plevyak will be preparing tri-tip steak; John Feemster will be making his special baked beans. The barbecue will also include cole slaw, toasted garlic-sour dough bread, Italian sausage hors d'oeuvres, potato chips, white and red wine, and Michelob draft beer; all these are covered by your ticket. Golfers can sign up separately, for an extra fee, with Saul Miano, for an early round of golf. Chuck Roberts will be offering card games and horseshoes for those who are interested. Social hour begins at 11 a.m., lunch about noon. Come out and have a great time with your buddies.

Bob Rung, Chairman

REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Cal	Coran	9
Vic	Harris	26
Eric	Hendrickson	12
Roy	Huemoeller	6
Frank	Lovoi	29
Bob	Merritt	16
Rob	Moore	14
Scott	Norwood	24
Jay	Pinson	23
Bob	Ramonda	2
Carl	Vollersen	16

**Chuck Waggoner,
Database Manager**

Treasurer's Report MAY

	GENERAL	CUSTO- DIAL	TOTAL
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$1388.17	\$-17.65	\$1370.52
RECIEPTS	249.04	660.00	909.04
DISBURSEMENTS	67.75	0.00	67.75
ENDING BALANCE	1569.46	642.35	2211.81
MONTHLY CHANGE	181.29	660.00	841.29
MEMBER- SHIP	ACTIVE	169	
	INACTIVE	10	
	WAIT LIST	0	
LAST MEETING	MEMBERS	116	
	GUESTS	3	

Roger Danielson, Treasurer

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mini Tours: 1. Some of you Veterans missed a good tour to the Moffett Field Museum where we had an interesting tour of old military artifacts (dirigibles, blimps, navy history, etc.) and then were able to climb inside two WWII bombers, a B-24 and a B-17. A great experience, particularly for Bob Stephens who logged 1200 hours piloting a B-24in WWII.

2. Start saving your wine bottles for early next year we will take a trip down to the **GUGLIELMO WINERY** in Morgan Hill where you can fill up your own bottles with their wine for \$5 per bottle! Should be fun and the ladies will also enjoy the outing.

3. I am still waiting for word on touring the 49ers Training Facility here in Santa Clara...or watching a practice session.

GIANTS: Our tickets for the 20 July ALL SIR Day at SBC park have been received and will be distributed at the June luncheon.

POTLUCK: Our Potluck in the Park at Vasona has now been set for Tuesday, 27 September so put that date on your calendars. Roger and Lorene Hughes have again offered to coordinate this fun event and another day when our ladies can join us. Roger still needs a few more volunteers to help set up and take down the equipment. If you would like to help, (as all good SIRs do) please call Roger at 378-4484.

4. For those of you interested, there is a public **OPEN HOUSE** of the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute (MBARI) on Saturday, 25 June from 12 noon until 5 P.M. This is free and open to the public. 7700 Sandholdt Road, Moss Landing, CA (800-938-3806) www.mbari.org

Chuck Roberts, Social Activities



BOWLING

We are four weeks into the summer season:

Team # 10 with Bob Hunt is in 2nd.

Team # 4 with Jim Silver, Pete Morrone & Vic Harris is in a six way tie for 4th.,also with Ed Lodi on Team # 11.

Team # 1 with Rich Madayag is in 16th.

High Scores: Rich Madayag with a 205, Vic Harris with a 207 and a 214.

Peter Morrone with a 202 and a 226.Ed Lodi with a 202.

The League bowls every Monday at 10 AM at Cambrian Bowl. All SIR members are welcome to participate. No experience necessary.

VIC HARRIS, Bowling Chairman



Tournament Champ Tom Davis, Milt & Saul



Ready to tee off at FOREST MEADOWS

The **28th** Semi-annual Golf trip to the Gold Country was completed by the largest participating group we have ever had, 34, after some interference by the Weather Man. For only the second time in the 15 years of this twice a year event, we had to cancel the final of the three rounds, which was to be played at The Reserve At Spanos Park. However, with the wonderful cooperation of Roger Danielson, Peter Morrone and the Coyote Creek Pro Shop staff, we completed the tournament the following week on May 11th, at the Coyote Creek Tournament Course. Tom Davis was the well deserved recipient of the Winner's Trophy. He played super, steady golf throughout, had a net score of 5 under par and beat the second place finisher, Neal Atchison, by 8 strokes. Now, that's playin' some golf! The rest of us had our ups and downs, ins and outs, but, as usual we all had a great time playing **La Contenta, Forest Meadows and Coyote Creek** (substituted for the rained out Reserve at Spanos Park). Some of the high score finishers even got additional prizes donated by Pete McErlean, Benton White and yours truly. The next trip is in process. The plan is to play Spanos Park, Forest Meadows and Lockeford Springs in that order on October 4th, 5th and 6th with accommodations, breakfasts and dinners

at Galvin's Restaurant and The Murphys Hotel Respectively. The price is not yet finalized, but it should be close to the \$300 for this last trip, if not identical. I'm not taking signups until the arrangements are finalized. But, stay tuned! -----

---Saul Miano



Breakfast at Galvin's



SAUL. Thanks from Everyone!!



DINNER AT MURPHY'S HOTEL



Golf Special Event Group at LaContenta
May 2005

THE SPORTS PAGE**THE LEADERBOARD
Presented by J.P. McMANUS****Wednesday 4 May 2005 - Sunnyvale - 2 Best Ball**

1st Place - Fred Sousa, Carl Vollersen, Bob Ramirez, Ed Linn	108
2nd Place - Gene Carson, Bob Johnson, Pete Haket, Jerry Long	115
3rd Place - Bob Goldman, red Hernandez, John McManus, Pat Brennan	116
4th Place - Ed Hirshfield, Al Smith, Ken Sohn, Dick Fenton	119

Closest to the pin: # 4 (1shot) Carl Vollersen # 7 (1shot) Gene Carson
13 (2shot) Ed Metevia # 15(2shot) John Guarino & Chuck Thompson (Birdie)

Wednesday 11 May 2005 - Coyote Creek/Tournament - 2 Best Ball

1st Place - Pat Brennan, Bob Ramirez, Ruddy Lopez, Fred Hernandez	128
2nd Place, - Ed Metevia, Dick Fenton, Bob Merritt, John Guarino	132
3rd Place - Gene Carson, Bob Johnson, Don Kurgan (BD- Tom Franklin)	133
4th Place - Ed Hirsfield, Roger Danielson, Pete Morrone (BD - Don Kurgan)	135

Closest to the pin All One Shot - # 2 # 7 # 14 Pat Brennan # 5 Bob Johnson

Wednesday 18 May 2005 - Laguna Seca - 2 Best Ball

1st Place - Chung Song, Tom Dapice, Pete Morrone, (BD Al Smith)	121
2nd Place - Gene Plevyak, Tom Franklin, Jim Harvey, Milt Howard	123
3 rd & 4 th Place Bob Norbutas, Larry Peck, Pete McErlean, Gerry Maddams	124
Jerry Cunningham, Bob Ramirez, Rudy Lopez, Fred Hernandez	124

Closest to the pin: # 2 (1shot) Jerry Davis # 8 (1shot) Jim Harvey
12 (short) Martin DeVeris # 17 (1shot) Pete Morrone

Wednesday 25 May 2005 - Dublin Ranch - 2 Best Ball

1st Place - Jerry Cunningham, Rudy Lopez, Bob Ramirez, Fred Hernandez	112
2nd Place - Gene Carson, Bob Johnson, Fred Sousa, Sam Zullo	115
3rd Place - Saul Miano, Gene Plevyak, Chuck Thompson holes 1 - 9) (holes 10 -18 BD Ed Linn)	116
4th Place - Bob Goldman, Al Smith, Bill Avery, John McManus holes 1 -9) (10 -18 BD Joe Gerarge)	119

Closest to the pin: # 6 (1shot) Pat Brennan # 7 (2shot) Sam Zullo
13 (1shot) Rudy Lopez # 17 (1shot) Pat Brennan

SIRS Players of the Month *May-05*

Flight	Name	Hcp Idx	Score	Date	Net Differential Over/Under "Par"	Course
A	MORRONE, PETER	16.0	83	4-May	-1.4	Sunnyvale
B	HERNANDEZ, FRED	20.8	86	4-May	-3.3	Sunnyvale
C	GOLDMAN, BOB	22.4	85	4-May	-5.8	Sunnyvale
D	THOMPSON, CHUCK	28.2	89	4-May	-7.7	Sunnyvale
E	HIRSHFIELD, ED	32.3	102	4-May	1.1	Sunnyvale

In MEMORIAM

Orlin Jacobson passed away on May 2, 2005. Orlin was a long time SIR and a friend to us all. Orlin was an aeronautical engineer, an Army veteran and an avid golfer. He leaves his wife, Samme, three daughters, their husbands and children. Sir Branch 125 extends our sympathy to his family and we will miss "Orly".

COMPUTER CLUB

The May Commuter Club meeting was attended by 14 members. **John Feemster** and **Ed Metevia** presented an excellent discussion on computer memory. They discussed the types of random access memory (RAM), and memory used in other components of the computer. **John** suggested that each member should load their computer with Excel, a word processor, and Internet Explorer. Then using the Task Manager determine the amount of RAM remaining available. If it is only 10%, the amount of installed RAM in the computer is marginal. The remainder of the meeting was used to discuss several problems brought to the meeting by members.

The next scheduled meeting of the Computer Club will be on Thursday June 23, 2005 from 3pm to 5pm at our usual meeting place at the Saratoga Senior Center.

Norm Martin



Don Bottemiller & Larry Miller



Mike Moffett & Tom Davis



Pat Rung, Bob Stephens, Bob Rung



John Feineman, C. Roberts, B. Stephens

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