

MID-PENINSULA BRANCH #51

NO. 369  
A non-Profit Organization  
For Retired Men



December 2006/January 2007  
Devoted to the  
promotion of independence and  
Dignity of retirement

LUNCHEON-12 NOON - FIRST WEDNESDAY - FREMONT HILLS CC, 12889 VISCAINO PL. LOS ALTOS HILLS

**DECEMBER 7**

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Please note that the Christmas party this year is on Thursday 7 th (not Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>).**

**BECAUSE AN ACCURATE COUNT MUST BE AVAILABLE BEFORE THE PARTY, TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR.**

Pull out the enclosed flyer and send it in **today**. This is your last notice.

**JANUARY 3**

**THE ASSESSOR, AN OVERVIEW**

Our speaker, Larry Stone, has an MBA from the University of Washington and has studied at the Institute of Politics at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. He has been a financial manager on Wall street and was the founder of a successful Bay area real estate investment and development firm. He also served 16 years as a council member and Mayor of Sunnyvale during the period the City earned an international reputation for effectiveness and became a model for President Clinton's efforts to reform the federal bureaucracy. President Clinton said, "the National Performance Review was modeled in part upon the remarkable reinvention efforts pioneered by the City of Sunnyvale, where Larry Stone served as Mayor". He was elected to be County Assessor in 1994 and overwhelmingly reelected in 1998 and 2002. In this position he has overseen remarkable improvements to streamline the operations of his office, eliminate backlogs, and achieve higher levels of public service, all while

consistently operating substantially under budget. The State Board of Equalization acknowledged his office as one of the best-managed assessors' operations in California. Stone was elected President of the California Assessors' Association in 2002.

If you are unable to attend the January 3rd meeting, e-mail Jim Cochran on [jimcoch@comcast.net](mailto:jimcoch@comcast.net), or call him at 650-968-9049 **SUNDAY (NOT LATER THAN 9 PM)** December 31st or earlier if possible. Please **INCLUDE YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN YOUR MESSAGE.**

**ROSTER CHANGES:** A new Roster will produced in December. Please send any changes to Bob Jenkins at [bobjenkins1@comcast.net](mailto:bobjenkins1@comcast.net) or by phone on 650-424-4346.

**NEW OFFICERS FOR 2007 INSTALLED:**

At our November meeting the following officers were installed for 2007:

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Big Sir         | Dan Rubin        |
| Little Sir      | Bob Guffey       |
| Secretary       | Myron Hollister  |
| Asst. Secretary | Chuck Yirchott   |
| Treasurer       | Bob Janopaul     |
| Asst. Treasurer | Elmer Reist      |
| Director        | Roger Murray     |
| Director        | John Dusterberry |
| Director        | Jim Cochran      |
| Director        | Ed Wright        |

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

**BIRTHDAY WINNERS.** Names drawn for free lunches were Joe Bennett and Norm Duvall.



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| NORM AUSTIN  | DON PETERSON |
| BEAR BAUMAN  | DICK POLLAK* |
| HAL KNOWLTON | PAUL SINGER  |
| TOM LAWRENCE | ROSS SMITH   |
| MARV MILLER  |              |

\* Inactive

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| FRANK BARRELL   | JIM MILLER      |
| DAVE BOSSEN     | HAL MORENO      |
| JIM CUMMINGS    | EMMETT MURPHY   |
| BILL FINKEMEIER | TOM PLEMONS     |
| JOHN HARMAN     | EMIL REAL*      |
| DICK HOGAN      | RUBEN SCHNEIDER |
| MYRON HOLLISTER | WALT SMITH      |
| DON HUGHES      | JIM TEDROW      |
| MAYNARD ISHEIM  | FRANK WILLIAMS  |
| ART LEWIS       | CHUCK YIRCHOTT  |
| CHARLIE LOMAX   |                 |

\*Inactive

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

### New Members Welcome!,

**BOB AULGUR** (Bob/Corrine) 4546 El Camino #207, Los Altos, CA 94022. 650-948-8922. Real Estate Broker. Travel, Photo, Cooking. Sponsor: Myron Hollister.

**ERNEST TRAUOGOTT** (Ernie) 11120 Mora Drive, Los Altos, CA 94024. 650-941-2170. American Interiors. Sponsor: George Cilker

### Removed from Membership:

Joe Yarkin – Resigned  
Paul Pickert – Transferred to Branch #5  
Russell Reiserer – Resigned

### Roster Changes:

Maynard Isheim, 23500 Cristo Re Drive, Apt. 215-C. Cupertino, CA 95014. 650-964-7389.

## ACTIVITIES



**INDOOR BOWLING:** The team of George Falkenthal (35) and Hal Knowlton (51) is ten games ahead of the team of Bill Finkemeier (51) and Don Rogers (5).

It should be noted that Hal Knowlton had a high handicap game of **270!!**

A new league is being formed and we welcome new players. Scores for your first 9 games establishes an average and handicap (600 – average) and is updated with future scores. Just show up by 12:45 any Thursday at the Palo Alto Bowl on El Camino, South of the Elks' Club.

HAL KNOWLTON (494-0957)



**TENNIS:** Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto. Please be there by 8:00 am when doubles teams will be formed. Later arrivals will play as sets are completed. We welcome all tennis players of whatever level.

BILL KAMIN (322-4300)



**COMPUSIR:** Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, at the Palo Alto Elks Lodge at 12:30. The speaker on November 8 will be Gene Barlow of User Group Relations. Gene will update us on Getting Ready for Windows Vista. Microsoft recently released their new Windows Vista operation system. This is a major new version of Windows and the first such release in over 5 years. Hundreds of exciting new features are included in this latest release of Windows. It is possibly the most powerful and easy to use Windows system ever released by Microsoft since Windows 95 was introduced over ten years ago. The problem all of us must face is how to migrate our current Windows XP systems to Windows Vista. This is not a presentation on the features of windows vista, but on important computer hard drive approaches that will make going to windows vista so much safer and easier. Important factors to consider are how to do this

with the least amount of effort involved. Also, we must make sure our current running Windows XP system is not destroyed in the process.

On December 13, Brad Templeton, Chairman of the Board of the Electronic Freedom Foundation will talk on Privacy in Cyberspace.

On January 10, Nancy Blachman will talk on How to Make your Website more Popular on Google and How to Generate (more) Income.

JIM DINKEY (493-9307)



**LAWN BOWLING:** We are now starting at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Free coaching is available.

ED WALKER (493-7908)



**GOLF:** The following months' schedules are:

|                   |       |                    |         |
|-------------------|-------|--------------------|---------|
| NOVEMBER          |       | DECEMBER           |         |
| 08 Wed Shoreline  | 9:30  | 05 Tue Poplar Crk  | 10:30   |
| 15 Wed Spring Val | 10:00 | 13 Wed Spring Val. | 10:00   |
| 21 Tue Aptos      | 9:30  | 20 Wed             | NO GOLF |
| 29 Wed Los Lagos  | 10:00 | 27 Wed             | NO GOLF |
|                   |       |                    |         |
| JANUARY           |       |                    |         |
| 02 Tue NO GOLF    |       | 10 Wed Santa Clara | 10:00   |
| 17 Wed Shoreline  | 10:00 | 24 Wed Spring Val. | 10:00   |
| 31 Wed Los Lagos  | 10:00 |                    |         |

All of the golf courses we play require a player count 7 to 14 days prior to play date. Please call me should your play no-play commitment change. Golfers must be at the clubhouse one hour before tee time.

OCTOBER LEADER BOARD

|                  |    |                 |    |
|------------------|----|-----------------|----|
| <u>LOW GROSS</u> |    | <u>LOW NET</u>  |    |
| 1. Mike Shimizu  | 78 | 1. Art Lewis    | 63 |
| 2. Art Lewis     | 83 | 2. Mike Shimizu | 65 |
| 3. Roy Deffebach | 84 | 3. Tony Hanley  | 68 |
| 4. Jim Cummings  | 85 | Tom Plemons     | 68 |
| Tony Hanley      | 85 | 5. Jim Cochran  | 69 |
| 6. Jerry Tinney  | 89 |                 |    |

ROGER MURRAY (329-8832)



**SIRS ON BIKES:** SIR Area #16 bike rides regularly start at 11:00 am the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Thursday of the month. On November 9<sup>th</sup> we will ride the Stephens Creek Trail & Shoreline Park. It is a level 12-mile round trip to Shoreline Park with an optional loop north into Palo Alto and the Duck Pond. Lunch is planned at Michaels in Shoreline Park. Meet at the southern end of the Stevens Creek bike path off Yuba Drive in Mountain View at 11:00 AM. Yuba Drive is off El Camino Real between Highways 237 and 85 and can be reached from Camino Real or via Centre or Church Street from 237. Plan to arrive a little early because parking is somewhat limited. Bring Bike, helmet and a jacket if it is windy. Wives and guests are welcome. NO RIDE IN DECEMBER.

PETER BARBA (949-4191)

NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION: All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons in Retirement, Inc., and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons in Retirement, Inc., 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.

BRANCHES 5, 35 & 51 TRAVEL NEWS



Dec. 30 – Jan. 1. 3 Days NAPA VALLEY WINE TRAIN , NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY. **NEW!** \$785 pp dbl. Joe Ames 408-736-8387 Escort. **GOOD TRIP, SIGN UP NOW!**

July 7-15. 9 Days. **YELLOWSTONE & GLACIER NATIONAL PARKS.** \$2175 pp dbl. Joe Ames 408-736-8387 Escort. **NEW!**

Aug. 29 – Sep. 8. 11 Days. **ALASKA CRUISE & LAND TOUR.** \$2615 - 2975 pp dbl. Joe Ames 408-736-8387 Escort **GOOD PRICES, CABINS FILL FAST!**

Sep. 24 – Oct. 10, 2008 17 Days. **SIR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY HAWAIIAN CRUISE. \$2795 - \$7283. Reserve your cabin NOW! Generous Cancellation. Art Lloyd 650-851-0998**

Call escorts for complete information and reservations for the trip.

All changes in address and/or telephone number must be reported to the Membership Committee, Jack Chalkley, 570 Pinecrest Dr., Los Altos, CA, 94024, (650-967-7588). Members missing three or more consecutive meetings without calling in are subject to suspension. If you know you are going to miss a meeting, it is important to notify the Attendance Chairman, Jim Cochran (968-9049) three days or more in advance.

**SIR BRANCH #51 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Big Sir, Lee Parlett       | 366-1353 |
| Little Sir, Dan Rubin      | 851-3299 |
| Secretary, Myron Hollister | 917-9004 |
| Asst. Sec. Chuck Yirchott  | 508-1374 |
| Treasurer Bob Janopaul     | 322-9320 |
| Asst. Treas. Elmer Reist   | 324-1445 |
| Director, Tony Hanley      | 321-9416 |
| Director, Bob Guffey       | 593-3496 |
| Director, Roger Murray     | 329-8832 |
| Director, John Dusterberry | 493-6846 |

**ACTIVITIES CHAIRMEN**

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Bowling, Indoor, Hal Knowlton | 494-0957 |
| Lawn Bowling, Ed Walker       | 493-7908 |
| Bridge, Alf Uddenberg         | 493-5810 |
| Compusir, Jim Dinkey (Br 35)  | 493-9307 |
| Dominoes, Paul Buechner       | 322-6883 |
| Golf, Roger Murray            | 329-8832 |
| Musical Group, Hal Moreno     | 323-4390 |
| Tennis, Bill Kamin            | 322-4300 |
| Travel, Art Lloyd             | 851-0998 |

**ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIRMEN**

|                                   |              |                                     |          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Attendance, Jim Cochran           | 968-9049     | Luncheon Coord. Mario Bonicelli     | 967-7958 |
| Audit, Paul Buechner              | 322-6883     | Luncheon Programs, Dan Rubin        | 851-3299 |
| Bulletin, Bob Jenkins             | 424-4346     | Membership, Jack Chalkley           | 967-7588 |
| E-Mail Contact, Art Lewis         | 964-3223     | New Members, Roger Murray           | 329-8832 |
| Good Samaritan, Alex Florence     | 854-5580     | Nominating Committee, Roy Deffebach | 631-0585 |
| Greeter, Ross Smith & Norv Steele | 408-734-4550 | Special Events, Tony Hanley         | 321-9416 |
| Historian, Hal Moreno             | 323-4390     |                                     |          |

JACK CHALKLEY  
570 PINECREST DR.  
LOS ALTOS, CA 94024

