

MID-PENINSULA BRANCH #51

NO. 360  
A non-Profit Organization  
For Retired Men



**MARCH 2006**  
Devoted to the  
promotion of independence and  
Dignity of retirement

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

**MARCH 1**  
**THE U.S. & MIDDLE EAST IN WORLD**  
**AFFAIRS**

Our speaker, Maurice Harari, served in World War II in the British Royal Air Force. He is Secretary General Emeritus of the International Association of University Presidents (IAUP) – He earned his Ph.D. in International Relations at Columbia University and taught in a number of institutions including Columbia University, Dartmouth College, and as Visiting Professor at the Graduate Institute of International Studies of Kyung Hee University, South Korea. In addition and at different junctures in his professional career, he served as a Program Executive in the Ford Foundation division of international training and research, Executive Vice President and Director of Studies of Education and World Affairs, Executive Director of Overseas Education Service, Vice President for International Programs of the American Association of state Colleges and Universities, Dean of the Center for International Education at California State University Long Beach and Secretary General of the International Association of University Presidents.

He is the recipient of a number of awards including the Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Award as well as honorary degrees and a knighthood from the Republic of France as Chevalier des Palmes Academiques. He was the Director of three summer institutes for faculty development in the international area sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dr. Harari's primary interests at the present are in issues of international conflict and peace, U.S. foreign policy and the internationalization of higher education

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS:** As of the first of February, we have received Voluntary Contributions from 52 members of SIR Branch #51. This means we have received over \$1,000 and we are well on our way to reaching our goal of \$3,200. The Voluntary Contribution amount is \$20 for active members and \$10 for inactive members. It can be paid by check or cash. (Checks preferred, made payable to SIR Branch #51). Payments can be made at our regular monthly meetings at the Fremont Hills Country Club. Checks can be mailed at any time to the Treasurer at the following address:

Robert Janopaul  
153 James Ave.  
Atherton, CA 94027

**If you are unable to attend the March 1st meeting, call Jim Cochran at 650-968-9049 SUNDAY (NOT LATER THAN 9 PM) Feb. 26th or earlier if possible. Please INCLUDE YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN YOUR MESSAGE.**

**LUNCHEON MENU MARCH 1ST**  
**House Salad with Italian Dressing**  
**Braised Short Ribs**  
**Halibut in Lemon Caper Sauce**  
**Spring Vegetables**  
**Apple Crisp with Vanilla Ice Cream**

To help speed up the process of collecting money for lunches, it would be very helpful for everyone to bring exact change - \$17.

**TRAVEL SPECIAL:** Feather River Canyon, Special Train, April 1-2, 2006. Emeryville to Portola then bus to Reno. \$299 pp dbl, single \$319 includes round trip train trip with buses – special car for SIR. One night hotel in Reno, two lunches. Write checks payable to Central Coast Railroad

Club and send to: Arthur Lloyd, 20 Arapahoe Court, Portola Valley, CA 94028

**BRIDGE AFTER LUNCH:** The Fremont Hills Country Club has graciously agreed to set up two bridge tables in the club room for our use. All those interested in playing, please call me or join us after lunch. Beginners and old timers are welcomed.

ALF UDDENBERG (493-5810)

**BIRTHDAY WINNERS.** Names were drawn for JZ Paysen and John Taylor as lucky winners of a free lunch.



### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

ROD ANGROVE	WALLY SAMPSON
GORDON BLACK	ED WALKER
MARIO BONICELLI	BOB WHITNEY
RED PENDLETON*	GEORGE YOUNG

\* Inactive

### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

#### New Members, Welcome!:

Herbert G. Petty (Herb/Carol) 26932 Almaden Ctc., 650-949-2688. Capt. Pan American Airways. Dominoes, Tennis, Travel. Sponsor George Cilker.

Karl W. Bizjak (Carl/Anne) 25 Saddleback, Portola Valley, CA 94028. General Electric Co. - Western Region Mgr. Tennis, Travel. Sponsor: Dan Rubin.

#### Removed from Membership:

Valgene Peterson - Death  
Don T. Eikenberry - Health  
Arthur A. Hoffman - Health  
John F. Bohler - Health

**Roster changes:** Carl Otto - Phone Change to 650-593-8209.

### LAST MEETING

JoAnn Kemist gave us an enthusiastic talk on health care in general in California and then the good news about new initiatives. Major problems for hospitals are lack of nurses and nursing schools, requirement to give emergency care to all regardless of insurance coverage, the aging of the baby boom population, the high cost of new technology, and the

fact that as costs go up, reimbursements go down. By 2010 it is expected that there will be a shortage of 109,000 nurses in California. New big problems are that hospitals must upgrade facilities for earthquakes by 2010, which in many cases means completely rebuilding, and the recent requirement to have one nurse for every 5 patients resulting in the closure of hospital beds. The good news is that a new nursing school has been established at La Canada College. Hospitals are entering into a serious collaboration to work together in cutting costs and providing better care. Many hospitals will be able to meet the deadline to complete earthquake renovations on schedule. We in the Bay Area are all blessed to have excellent health care. The Sequoia Hospital has been rated in the top 5% nationally.

### ACTIVITIES



**INDOOR BOWLING:** The team of George Falkenthal (35), Don Rogers (5) and Hal Knowlton (51) and the team of Bill Finkemeier (51) and Charlie Piozet (5) are tied for first place.

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)



**FISHING:** Off-shore fishing is in a holding pattern and will be until the salmon season opens in April. During the interim, I URGE any SIR member who wants to go fishing to contact me at 650-948-4828 or send an e-mail to [circleLT@sbcglobal.net](mailto:circleLT@sbcglobal.net). THIS IS EXPREMELY IMPORTANT because, if I don't get enough response, by the end of February,

to justify the continuance of the SIR fishing activity it may be dropped. KEN LIDDICOAT



**LAWN BOWLING:** Free instructions in lawn bowling are given each Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 pm at the Palo Alto Lawn Bowling Club at the corner of Churchill and Cowper Streets. For an appointment, call: ED WALKER (493-7908)



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

FEBRUARY		MARCH	
08 Wed Coyote Cr.	10:00	08 Wed Los Lagos	10:00
15 Wed Santa Clara	10:00	15 Wed Shoreline	9:30
22 Wed Spring V.	10:15	22 Wed Spring V.	10:00
28 Tue Sunnyvale	9:30	29 Wed Aptos	10:00

**JANUARY LEADER BOARD**

<u>Low Gross</u>		<u>Low Net</u>	
1. Mike Schimizu	79	1. Ed Wright	61
2. Ed Wright	82	2. Al Williams	64
3. Roy Deffebach	86	3. Don Hughes	66
4. Art Lewis	87	Art Lewis	66
5. Tony Hanley	88	Milk Schimizu	66
Jerry Tinney	88		

**PLAYERS OF THE MONTH**

1. Al Williams
2. Ed Wright
3. Don Hughes

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. 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 February 9<sup>th</sup> we will ride the flat Foster City Bay Trail for about 10 miles from Oracle to the Poplar Creek Golf Club at Coyote Point for lunch. Then back (approximately 20 miles round trip). It might get a bit windy, so besides your helmet bring a jacket or windbreaker. Directions: Get off Highway 101 at Marine World Parkway (now called just Marine Parkway or Ralston). Turn left at Oracle Parkway and make an immediate left onto Island Parkway. There is a tree-

shaded parking lot with restrooms near this intersection. If the parking lot is filled continue past it and over the creek to 401-501 Island Parkway and park in the Oracle lot.

The bike ride on March 9<sup>th</sup> will be Los Gatos Creek PETER BARBA (949-4191)



**COMPUSIR:** Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, at the Palo Alto Elks Lodge at 12:30. The speaker for February 8 is George Sidman who will discuss his newest business venture, WebLOQ. Ensuring the ultimate in internet privacy, WebLOQ provides breakthrough technologies that deliver ubiquitous and secure privacy over the open internet, to any internet user, free of the prior costs and technical constraints of the traditional VPN and stand-alone encryption.

JIM DINKEY (493-9307)

**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**



**CANCELLED:** GUATEMALA and the MAYAN CIVILIZATIONS. Joe Ames 408-736-8387, Escort.

**CANCELLED:** A YOSEMITE PARK TOUR. Art Lloyd 650-851-0998, Escort.

Sep. 26 – Oct. 11. 16 Days. ATHENS to VENICE – A BLACK SEA AND MED. CRUISE (Including 3 Black Sea Ports, Istanbul, Kusadasi, Egypt & more). \$4780 – 6480pp dbl. Joe Ames 408-736-8387, Escort. Don't miss this tour. It's a good one! Filling up! Cabins limited. Deposit Refund 'till July 2006.

April 1-2. Feather River Canyon Railroad Trip. See first page.

Call escorts for complete information and reservations for the trips

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, Bob Jenkins	424-4346
Compusir, Jim Dinkey (Br 35)	493-9307
Dominoes, Paul Buechner	322-6883
Fishing, Ken Liddicoat (Br. 5)	368-9935
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		

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