



SIR Branch 116 Trampas Topics Newsletter December 2019

Next Meeting: 11:30 am
Monday, Jan. 20, 2020
Boundary Oak, 3800 Valley
Vista Rd., Walnut Creek

A Nonprofit Public Benefit Organization for Men Enjoying Active Retirement

Sayings of 2019 Big Sir Jerry Hicks



The Holidays are upon us. It is a busy time of year but pleasing in that we are together with our families and friends. A highlight of the season is our SIR Holiday/Christmas Dinner Party. Don't forget to invite your spouses and join us on the evening of Wednesday, December 11, at Boundary Oak.

You have known from my past articles that our varied activities are the lifeblood of our Branch. They bring us together in large and small groups and aptly augment our and our spouse's needs for physical, mental and social wellbeing. Our Activity Coordinators will soon produce for you an on-line questionnaire giving ideas about new activities that may interest you. They have many selections and all you have to do is to quickly respond and your interests can blossom into new activity groups. Take time to give them your feedback. Remember, it only takes 4-5 of you to begin a new activity.

Again, we're doing such a great job that we ought to share with others - our friends, neighbors, and acquaintances (even some of our sons) our many benefits. We have room for expansion and always a need for replacements. Let us, every one of us, resolve that in 2020 we will bring at least one guest to a Luncheon or Activity. Remember that retirement is no longer a prerequisite for membership; one just needs to have the time to participate with us in our Activities including Luncheons.

One piece of business that needs to be covered is the financial health of our Branch. We are in good shape. However our Luncheon cost is rising to over \$27 and necessary insurance through the State organization increased. To cover additional costs and to keep our Luncheon payment at an even \$25.00 our BEC debated and decided that our 2020 dues would have to be increased to \$20.00, still a small and affordable sum for you to enjoy our benefits. Our Treasurer committee will begin to collect dues at our January 20 Luncheon.

Thank you for the honor of representing you as Big SIR this past year. It has truly been a highlight year for me. And thanks to the many that have volunteered their time and effort for the betterment of our Branch. Our member satisfaction has been very good, Luncheon participation good, membership numbers have turned the corner and increased, activities and participation robust. We are doing well. Keep the snowball rolling.

Jerry Hicks, Big SIR



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PLEASE CALL 322-1318

or email to

luncheon116@gmail.com

*by the Monday prior to
the meeting to cancel your
standing reservation or to
bring a guest.*

2019 SIR Branch 116 Officers



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Hicks



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Barrington



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2019 SIR Branch 116 Directors



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Boswell



Peter
Coggiola



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Craig



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Harris



Marty
Katz

2019 Activity Chairmen

Activity	Chairman	Asst. Chairman
• Bocce	Jim Seven	
• Book Group 1	Rich Black	Steve Bort
• Book Group 2		
• Book Exchange	John Fraser	Dick Kauffman
• Bridge	Jon Dickson	Bob Wolf
• Computer & Tech.	Neil Schmidt	Phil Goff
• Dine-O-SIR	Alex Lutkus	Socolich, Katz
• Duplicate Bridge	Conrad Robertson	Tom Henry
• Fishing	Harry Sherinian	Terry Miller
• Golf-18 Hole	Bernie Wroblewski	Jim Johnson
• Golf-9 Hole	Dick Chaffee	D. McLaughry
• Golf - Reno	Paul Ramacciotti	Harris, Katz
• Golf - Carmel	Jim Barstow	JJ, Harris, Eller
• Hiking & Walking	John Riordan	Joel White
• Mexican Train	Richard Madden	Alex Lutkus
• Parties	Alan Fitzgerald	Marty Katz
• Pickleball	Ed Solomon	
• Poker	Lou Sandor	
• Saturday Tours	Greg Hughes	
• \$ums in Retirement	Ben Smith	
• Travel	Don Murry	
• Wine-O-SIR	Lou Meylan	

2019 Support Chairmen

RAMP Department Heads:

- Recruitment Don Schroeder
- Activities Fred Wachowicz
- Member Relations Sam Beret
- Publicity Jim McCormick

Support Chairmen:

- Audit Committee Ron Armijo
- Nominating Committee Marty Katz
- Sunshine Committee Matt Arena

Luncheon Support:

- Attendance B. Chaney & J. Flessner
- Audio Visual Neil Schmidt
- Chaplain Committee Doug Aalders
- Greeters Committee Terry Grummitt
- Raffle Committee Ben Bryce
- Speakers Committee Michael Barrington
- Storytellers Committee Mac Mcloughlin

Recruitment Committee

- Guest Packet TBA
- New Member Orientation Dave Williams
- Recruitment Materials TBA
- Letters TBA

Membership Relations Committee

- Membership Secretary Phil Goff
- Computer Support Neil Schmidt
- Membership Roster George Pryhuber
- Webmaster Phil Goff
- Awards/Recognitions TBA
- Sponsor Program TBA
- Letters TBA

Publicity Committee

- Newsletter Editor Neil Schmidt
- Internal Communications TBA
- Outreach TBA
- Slideshow Presentations Neil Schmidt

**A Thank You to all Br. 116 SIR Who
Volunteer to be Leaders**

Some Other SIR Area 16 Activities

Apple User Grp.	Dick Macy (Br.171)	376-1180
Astronomy	Bill Hunter (Br.8)	947-6947
Bowling	Dan Weller (Br. 8)	935-5510
Digital Photo.	Bill Phelon (Br.8)	254-8338
Pocket Pool	Jerry White (Br.8)	944-9068
Tennis	Ralph Thornicraft (174)	376-8140

SIR Branch 116 Activity Calendar

December 2019

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
1	2 18-Hole Golf (9:32@ Boundary Oak GC) Book Group 1 (10:15@ Orinda Books) Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	3 Duplicate Bridge (10:00 Diablo Valley Bridge Ctr.)	4 9-Hole Golf (10:00@Buchanan Fields)	5	6 Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	7
8	9 18-Hole Golf (9:32@ Boundary Oak GC) Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	10 Luncheon Bridge (11:30@ Diablo CC)	11 Holiday Party 9-Hole Golf (10:00@ Buchanan Field GC)	12	13 Amiable Amblers (8:15@ Lafayette Reservoir west end parking lot) Pickleball (8:00 Heather Farms)	14
15	16 18-Hole Golf (9:36@ Diablo Creek GC) Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	17	18 9-Hole Golf (10:00@ Brentwood CC) Mexican Train (10:00@Church of Christ)	19 Fishing Group (8:30@ Diablo Creek GC)	20 Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	21
22	23 18-Hole Golf (9:30@ Brentwood CC) Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	24	25  Christmas	26	27 Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	28
29	30 18-Hole Golf (10:06@ Hiddenbrooke CC) Pickleball (8:00@ Heather Farms)	31				



Br. 116 Treasurer's Report

Jim Nickels, Treasurer
(bjnickels@sbcglobal.net)

	Nov. 2019	2019 YTD
Contributions	\$ 10,865.90	\$ 72,820.16
Disbursements	\$ (4,206.33)	\$ (66,998.84)
Net (gain/(loss))	\$ 6,659.57	\$ 5,821.32
Nov. 30th Cash Balance		\$ 13,922.61

December Birthdays

When you see these members, wish them a Happy Birthday!

1. John Antczak	9. Tim Hubbard
2. Salem Attiga	10. Phil Jenkins
3. Nick Bowles	11. Walt Kawecki Jr.
4. Allan Chasnoff	12. John Kopchik Jr.
5. Marv DeHeus	13. Conrad Robertson
6. Jim Gleason	14. Ed Solomon
7. David Harris	15. Doug Waterman
8. Larry Heaton	16. Jamie Watson



Meeting Attendance

Brent Chaney & Jim Flessner
(luncheon116@gmail.com)



November 18, 2109 Meeting Attendance

Active Members:	214
Guests/Visitors:	2
Transfers & Inductees:	6
Speakers:	1
Members Excused:	45
Excused due to long term illness:	4
Members NOT excused:	8
Total Attendance:	161
% of Active Members in Attendance	75%

Members not excused will be asked to pay for their missed lunch.



Membership

Phil Goff
(philgoff@yahoo.com)

SIR 116 Membership Status

Total Current Membership is: **213**

New Members:

- Al Lundmark (Sponsor Bob Donohue)
- Fred McBreen (Sponsor Don Schroeder)
- Scott Clark (Sponsor Tom O'Brien)
- Tim Martin (Sponsor Darrel Dummett)

Rejoining:

- Chick Walsh

Resigned:

- Ken Coleman
- Mike Loughery
- Bill Duncan

Passed Away:

- Dick Krieger



Br. 116 Book Group 1

Rich Black

(blackrw41@comcast.net)

Book Group #1 will meet next on **Monday, December 2** to discuss "The Girl with Seven Names" by Hyeonseo Lee.

It is the custom of Book Group #1 to meet at 10:15 am at Orinda Books, 276 Village Square, in Orinda.



"Mexican Train" Dominos

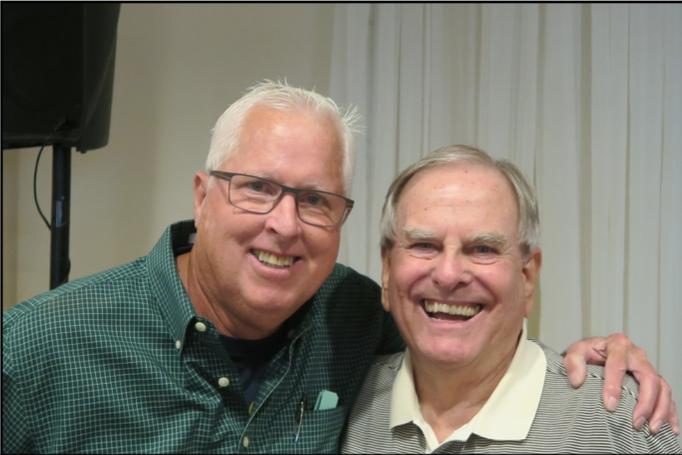
Richard Madden

(maddenram@sbcglobal.net)

"Mexican Train" is a domino game which uses a set of Double Twelve Dominoes. From 2 to 8 can play. Each player draws 11 to 15 dominoes. The number of dominoes each player draws depends on the number of players. The object of the game is to play all your dominoes. When you draw your hand you set it up so that the adjacent dominoes match. During the play of a round there are things that can derail your train so that you cannot play.

This can make the game very interesting and a lot of FUN!

New Branch 116 Members



New Member Al Lundmark
and Sponsor Bob Donohue



Sponsor Don Schroeder and
New Member Chick Walsh



Sponsor Darrell Dummett and
New Member Tim Martin



New Member Fred McBreen
and Sponsor Don Schroeder



New Member Scott Clark
and Sponsor Tom O'Brien

SIR Website Addresses

SIR 116 Web Site (With new design)
branch116.org

Branch 116 Golf
branch116golf.org

Computer and Technology
<https://sirinc2.org/a16cat/>

SIR Happenings State Newsletter
sirinc.org/sirhappenings

State SIR Web Site
sirinc.org/



Activity Chair
Fred Wachowicz & Mike Ward
 (fredwach@pacbell.net)



We were able to complete our Table Top Survey at the November Lunch Meeting and we received a response from nearly every attending member. The results are being compiled to take a look at Activity Participation as well as any Activity Sign-ups for existing Branch Activities.

Our Annual Online Survey has been drafted and reviewed and will be issued early in December. This survey will seek out your interest in new activities, ask about your preferences for Golf Lessons, and solicit any thoughts that you have about Activity or Branch improvements that you would like to see.

Activity Chairmen Breakfast: As reported last month the following objectives will be among our Activity Goals for 2020.

- We will hold an Annual Online Activity Survey as noted above
- We will do a better job to calendar activities to reduce time conflicts between scheduled activities
- We will work closely with other branches to develop and or share new activities
- We will be working with membership relations, recruiting, and publicity to keep members better informed about activities and their individual interests in participation
- We will add a minimum of 3-to-5 new activities in 2020

Recreational Vehicle Travel and Cycling with Branch 146:

If you are interested in group RV travel or Cycling group activity contact Bob Lucido at 925-899-0974. SIR Branch 146 invites us to join them in enjoying either one of these activities. We are also beginning a collaboration with branch 146 on the possibility of a Table Tennis (Ping Pong) Activity.



Parties
Alan Fitzgerald
 (galan.fitzgerald@gmail.com)

Holiday Christmas Party

November will be the LAST MEETING BEFORE our annual Christmas/Holiday Dinner/Dance. You can pick up a registration form at the November Luncheon. **Registration deadline is December 2nd.** The program will be a little different this year: 5:00 to 6:00 social hour with an ice breaker for the ladies; 6:00 to 7:00 will be Welcoming comments, Branch Business, Entertainment, and Raffles; enjoy a nice dinner at 7:00 while visiting with your friends and you can stay and enjoy Dancing until 10:00.



Harry Sherinian having a great day on the Delta

2020 Newsletter Hardcopy Subscription Due

If you are receiving, or wish to receive, a hardcopy of the Trampas Topics newsletter mailed to your home each month, the 2020 subscription fee of \$20 is due. Send you check, made-out to "SIR Branch 116", to our new Treasurer: Alan Fitzgerald, 3350 Hillside Ter., Lafayette, CA 94549



SIR BRANCH 116 – WALNUT CREEK

HOLIDAY PARTY DINNER DANCE!



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019 – 5:00 TO 10:30 PM

The Clubhouse at Boundary Oak

3800 Valley Vista Road, Walnut Creek 94598

5:00 – 6:00 Registration and Social Hour with No Host Bar

6:00 – 7:00 Changing of the Leadership Team, Entertainment, Door Prizes

7:00 – 10:30 Dinner and Dancing

CHOICE OF ENTRÉE @ \$57 PER PERSON:

Grilled Marinated Bistro Filet, Potato Gratin, Caramelized Shallot Jus
Pan Seared Salmon, Corn Coulis with Lemon, Rice Pilaf and Braised Leeks

Butternut Squash Ravioli, Brown Butter & Sundried Cranberries

Includes Wedge Salad, Seasonal Vegetables and NY Cheese Cake

Corkage fee: \$15.00

– **Holiday Party Dinner Dance** – Boundary Oak – 12/11/2019

Reservations must be received **NO** later than **December 2nd, 2019**

Make checks payable to: SIR Branch 116 (Circle entrée choice)

Name: _____ Steak Fish Pasta

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Steak/Fish/Pasta dinner: \$57 X _____ guests = _____

Mail checks to: Gary Boswell, 2 Rachel Ranch Court, Clayton, CA 94517-2126

I WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE A TABLE (tables of 10) WITH THE FOLLOWING:



Sunshine Report

Matt Arena

(marena@astound.net)

SIR **Plato Grivas** has passed . He was a preeminent ophthalmologist in the East bay. Plato and Pat had built their dream home at the top of Livorna with views as far as the eye could see.

SIR **Don Peckham** has passed.. Don enjoyed building a stable of warehouse properties in Richmond and Antioch.He was a car enthusiast and raced his cars for pleasure. He had a car dealership but confessed that it was his lest successful adventure.

SIR Dick Krieger passed following a massive stroke. Dick had a Boy Scout Honor guard at his funeral. He was responsible for establishing a new Scout Troop and devoted many hours to this endeavor. He was the secret Santa at each of our Christmas Dinner Dances.

SIR **Jim Nachtweih** is making good progress following his hip and leg surgery. Jim still need help with a cane and walker but hopefully He will join us for lunch early next year.

SIR **Dick Breitwieser** had a successful knee operation. He is recovering nicely and his wife Gail tells me that they will join us at the Christmas Dinner Dance.

May your hearth be warm ,your holidays grand ,and your heart held gently in the good Lord's hand.

.....IRISH SAYING.....



Br. 116 Book Group 2

Alan Pope

(pope451@gmail.com)

Book Group 2 met on Thursday, November 21, to discuss "The Bonanza King" by Gregory Crouch. This book told the story of John Mackay (pronounced "Mackie") and "the battle over the greatest riches in the American west". The time period covered California and Nevada during the 1849 Gold Rush. John Mackay, through hard work and perseverance, rose from a child in a poor, fatherless Irish family in the slums of New York to become one of the richest men in America. In addition to all aspects involved in mining for gold and silver in Nevada's Comstock Lode ("the Big Bonanza"), the book goes into great detail about those times, which included early San Francisco, the Pony Express, the transcontinental railroad, cable cars, Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), business monopolies, funding the Civil War, and more.

The group rated The Bonanza King from 3 to 4.1, averaging a good 3.8. Everyone liked the story and the California history told in the book. As a whole, the group questioned the author's style in providing details which were of less importance to the story itself and not providing more information about the individual characters.

Michael Barrington recommended the book, while the discussion included Fred Wachowicz, Fred Schafer, Jerry Hicks, and Alan Pope.

The group will meet next on Thursday, January 23, at 11am at the Ygnacio Valley Library, located at 2661 Oak Grove Rd. in Walnut Creek.

There will be no December meeting. The group will discuss "Between the World and Me" by Ta-Nehisi Coates. We have room for more book club members, so If you are interested in reading good books, we hope to see you there.

Trampas Topics Submissions



We need your contributions and suggestions for Trampas Topics. Please send photos, news items, SIR activities, and Letters to the Editor:

Neil Schmidt, Trampas Topics Editor
trampastopics@gmail.com

In Memoriam

Richard T. Krieger

July 29, 1938– November 8, 2019



Walking Tours
Greg Hughes
 (greghughes505@gmail.com)

Walking Tours are scheduled for the last Saturday of the month. There are no tours conducted during the Holidays, and the next Walking Tour date is January 25, 2020. Information for this tour will be provided in the December's Trampup Topics.



Bridge
Jon Dickson
 (still26@sbcglobal.net)

SIR's lunch & bridge is 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, playing at Diablo County Club. It is Chicago style, 6 rounds of 4-hands each, changing partners every 4 hands. Starts at 10:00 AM and gets you out before 2:30 PM. Do come and join us.

We have lunch & bridge on **December 10th** but do not play on the 4th Tuesday in December.

There is also duplicate bridge on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Concord Bridge Center.

This is your chance to play bridge and make your grey cells work in your head. Do join us.



Poker
Lou Sandor
 (lsandor@astound.net)

Contact Lou Sandor at 925-944-1634 or lsandor@astound.net if you are interested in joining the Poker group



Bocce
Jim Seven
 (jseven1@me.com)

The fall Bocce season has concluded. Congratulations to the APL Team for being the first champions of SIR's Bocce. Steve Cherepy was the capo who lead his team to victory.

The Spring season will kick off some time in March. Contact Jim Seven (jseven1@me.com), if you'd like to join the fun.

State 'SIR Happenings'

Enjoy reading *SIR Happenings* and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can easily find Happenings on the SIR State Website located at:

sirinc.org/sirhappenings



Incoming 2020 SIR Branch 116 Officers & Directors

Big SIR Michael Barrington, Little SIR Sam Beret, Treasurer Alan Fitzgerald, Treasurer 1 Al Satake, Secretary Fred Shafer, Asst Sec. Paul Ramacciotti, Membership Sec. Phil Goff and Directors Roger Craig, Gary Boswell, Al Farbman, David Harris, Henry Haugse and Jerry Hicks



SIR Fishing Group

Harry Sherinian

(h.sherinian@comcast.net)

All SIR members and guests are welcome, and indeed encouraged, to participate in fishing trips as well as attend the monthly meetings. Next meeting will be Thursday, December 19th in the Legend Sports Bar and Grill at the Diablo Creek Golf Course at 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Meeting starts at 8:30am, come early. Contact Harry Sherinian 510-207-7067, Branch 116 Fishing Coordinator.

REMEMBER, THE DECEMBER FISHING MEETING IS THE 19st!!!!!!!

We finish off the 2019 ocean season with crab and rock fish combo trips, enjoying the tasty crustaceans and fish were Stan Wong, Brion Beetz, Mario Moritorio, Bob Stein, and Carl Moyer. Trout hilite our winter menu, and nabbing the feisty fish were Phil Scimonelli, Ed Barney, Carl Moyer and Bob Hillaker, Striped bass from the delta were captured by Tom Kostik, Mike Corker, Phil Scimonelli, Ron Lew, Tom Boltz, Mario Moritorio, and Harry Sherinian. The Delta is hot. Over 25 SIRs ate there fill at Carl Moyer's fall backyard fish fry. And we are eagerly anticipating a good time at our Anual Christmas dinner with our lovely ladies.



Computer & Technology

Neil Schmidt

(SIR.Area2.CAT@gmail.com)

The Area 16 Computer and Technology Group meetings are fun and informative where we discuss applications for computers and technology. At each meeting we have a presentation on a topic covering everything from antivirus programs, ways to back up your data, digital photography, genealogy research, artificial intelligence, smart phones and many other topics. It's a great way to learn about new technology and to also get answers to your technology related questions or problems. For more info, checkout our website at: <https://sirinc2.org/a16cat/>

The Computer Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month except in December and June. The next meeting will be on January 16, 2020. If you would like to get on our email list or if you have a suggestion for a potential topic, send your request to: sirarea2cat@gmail.com.



Amiable Amblers

John Riordan & Joel White

(gcriordan@com, zp2mrz@gmail.com)

Paul Freitas led the November 8 walk on the Iron Horse Trail in Alamo. We had a great turnout of 16 walkers (see photo below). Allan Chasnoff led the November 22 walk through Heather Farms Park and along the Contra Costa Trail.

John Riordan will lead the **Friday December 13** walk at the Lafayette Reservoir. We will meet at 8:15 at the west end of the parking lot and walk counter-clockwise around the reservoir. The post-walk gathering will be at Tutu (formerly Chow), 53 Lafayette Circle in Lafayette. Bring quarters or a credit card for parking at both places. RSVP to John at jriordan730@gmail.com. Call his cell phone 925-391-5749 if you are running late.

There will be no walk on December 27 because its proximity to the holidays.

All walks are with or without significant others. The significant other/spouse is also invited to participate even when the member is unable. Also, members and/or spouses are invited to join the post-walk gathering even if they are unable to participate in a particular walk.

Anyone, including those from other SIR branches, wishing to join this mellow group, or to be added to the e-mail contact list, should contact John Riordan at jriordan730@gmail.com or 925-284-3394.





Pickleball

Ed Solomon

(edsolomon@gmail.com)

Please join us to learn Pickleball every week at Walnut Creek Tennis Club, Health Farms:

- Mondays from 8 am to 9:30 am
 - mixed doubles play
- Fridays from 8 am to 9:30 am.
 - SIR's only

Just bring Tennis Sneakers, and we have the paddles & balls

Let's grow this SIR's activity! It's easy & fun!

No need to call and confirm, just show up.

If there is a possibility of a weather challenge just text either, Ed or Dennis to confirm:

- Dennis 925-788-7508 c
- Ed 415-215-2684 c



Golf Lessons

Jerry Zampino

(Jzam40@yahoo.com)

Hello both experienced as well as beginning golfers.

We are doing a bit of retooling of our Golf Lesson Activity to keep the activity as flexible as possible while maintaining a steady routine for lesson schedules.

There will be a section in our upcoming Annual Activity Survey to ask about your interest and preferences for Golf Lessons going forward.

One major constraint that we have this time of year is that the range cannot open during rainy days since the balls cannot be retrieved due to the soggy conditions on the range.

If you are not already on the Golf Lesson e-mail list, just let me know and I will add you to the list for updates and scheduling information.

\$ums Investment Group

Tom Henry (Branch 174)

(tomh925@icloud.com)

We'll have December off. The next meeting is Jan. 22 - back to our usual 4th Wednesdays.

The presenter will be Andrew Parrott of Edward Jones. He will be giving us his firm's outlook on investing in the election year.

Some SIR Travel Opportunities

SIR Area 16 web site has many other travel opportunities. Check them out at: <http://area2.sirinc2.org/>



Wine-O-SIR

Lou Meylan

(loumeylan@hotmail.com)

The Wine O Sirs September get together was at the home of Bob Wolf. He featured wines from Spain. Our November meeting will be at the home of Dick and Jayne Savage on **November 21st** from 4 to 6pm. Note this is a week earlier because of the Thanksgiving holiday. If you wish to attend please RSVP to Dick at 925-378-7834 or jaynesavage@sbcglobal.net



Big SIR Jerry Hicks presenting Urs Christen "Twenty-five Years Membership" award

Branch 116 Dine-O-Sirs

January 2020 Dining Event

SUNDAY CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

At Crow Canyon Country Club - 711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville, CA
(Ph. 925-735-5700)

Sunday, January 19, 2020

SOCIAL HOUR WILL START AT 10:30 AM WITH ENDLESS FLOWING CHAMPAGNE AND ORANGE JUICE THE EVENT SHOULD CONCLUDE NO LATER THAN 2 PM.

TYPICAL FOOD SELECTIONS

Extensive Salad Bar: Fruit, Greens and Pasta Salads
Hot Entree Dishes: Eggs Benedict, Bacon, Sausage, Ham, Waffles
Custom Omelet Station, cooked to order
Prime Rib carving station – and other meats
Seafood Selections, Shrimp, Smoked Salmon
Asian Dim Sum Selections
Cheese Board Selections
Dessert Table with Pastry, Pies, Cakes, Strawberry, Tarts
Orange Juice, Coffee and Tea

Cost just \$40 per person, all inclusive

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Sunday Brunch at
Crow Canyon Country Club, Sunday January 19, 2020

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

NAME: _____ NO. ATTENDING: ____ x \$40=\$ _____

Please make check out to: SIR Branch 116 Dining
Mail to: Alex Lutkus, 4054 Castlewood Court, Concord, CA 94518



SIR Branch 116 Golf
 By Bernie Wroblewski, Golf Chairman
 (bbwroblewski@comcast.net)

2020 Golf Membership Fees are Due

It's that time of year again to renew our Branch 116 membership in NCGA. Beginning in October we will commence our 2020 NCGA membership campaign.

Our 2020 membership for Branch 116 will cost \$59. This includes NCGA membership (\$39), as well as membership in our Branch 116 Golf Club (\$20), for both 18 and 9 hole golf participants. A valid NCGA membership is required for 18 hole golf.

If you are a member of NCGA through another group, you only need to pay the \$20 for Branch 116 membership.

If you want to play only 9 hole golf, Branch 116 membership is \$15 and no NCGA membership is required.

You can either mail in your check to our golf P.O. Box 683, Lafayette, CA 94549, or bring a check made out to SIR Branch 116 Golf to the October or November luncheon meetings. If you have any questions please contact David Harris (925) 6725543.



Nine Hole Info
 Dick Chaffee, 9-Hole Chairman
 (rwchaffee@sbcglobal.net)

The SIR Branch 116 Nine Hole Golf Club plays every Wednesday morning. First tee time is 10:00am. Golfers of all levels are welcome. All events are scored on a handicapped basis. An NCGA index is not required. You may use your NCGA index if you have one. If not, we will compute an index for you based on your SIR 9 hole scores. To sign up for an event, please call the SIR Branch 116 Golf Club Hot Line, 925-906-5355. State that you want to sign up for the 9 hole event on (give the date). Or, if you receive our 9 hole golf e-mail announcements, reply to the e-mail.

**Want a Free \$25 Lunch ?
 Sponsor a New Member !**

Latest SIR 116 Golf Info Available on Our Golf Web Site

The Golf Website is: branch116golf.org

Please bookmark it in your "Favorites" list of websites to access information on the following:

- 2018 Golf Schedule: Dates, times, and courses as well as detailed information on costs, payment information, deadlines, and special event facts.
- 18-Hole Pairings: Shows captains, teams, start-

ing times & handicaps for next event.

- 18-Hole Leaders and Results: Shows results from recent events and leaders in each group.
- Paid-In-Advance Sign-Ups: Shows checks that have been received for the next 3-4 pre-paid outings.
- Boundary Oak Sign-Ups: Shows who has signed-up for the next two Boundary Oak sessions.

December 9-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Wed. 04	10:00	Buchanan Fields	Dick Chaffee
Wed. 11	10:00	Diablo Hills	D.McClaughry
Wed. 18	10:00	Brentwood	D.McClaughry

December 18-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Mon. 02	9:32	Boundary Oak	Jim Johnson
Mon. 09	9:32	Boundary Oak	Jim Johnson
Mon. 16	9:36	Diablo Creek	Jim Johnson
Mon. 23	9:30	Brentwood	Jim Johnson
Mon. 30	10:06	Hiddenbrooke	Jim Johnson

18-Hole Results

Franklin Canyon, November 25, 2019

Al Zavattero - Official Scorer

<u>Flight 1</u>			<u>Flight 2</u>			<u>Flight 3</u>			<u>Flight 4</u>		
1st Don Schroeder	66	3	1st Al Zavattero	61	3	1st Dave Carlson	58	3	1st Bill Hemmelsbach	60	3
2nd David Harris	68	2	2nd Alan Pope	69	2	2nd Jim Clizbe	61	2	2nd Conrad Robertson	65	2
3rd Jim Johnson	69	1	Tie 3rd Jim Barstow	70	1	3rd Alex Lutkus	64	1	3rd Terry Sherman	67	1
			Tie 3rd Al Hutchko	70	1						
			Tie 3rd Harry Oberle	70	1						
<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>		
David Harris	82		Al Zavattero	85		Dave Carlson	91		Bill Hemmelsbach	96	
<u>Closest to #17</u>			<u>Closest to #17</u>			<u>Closest to #17</u>			<u>Closest to #17</u>		
Warren Garrison			Al Zavattero			Dave Carlson			Terry Sherman		

Paradise Valley, November 19, 2019

David Harris - Official Scorer

<u>Flight 1</u>			<u>Flight 2</u>			<u>Flight 3</u>			<u>Flight 4</u>		
1st Don Schroeder	71	3	1st Harry Oberle	72	3	1st Jim Clizbe	69	3	1st Wayne Cook	70	3
Tie 2nd David Harris	72	2	2nd Jim Barstow	75	2	2nd Alex Lutkus	70	2	2nd Bill Hemmelsbach	72	2
Tie 2nd Jim Johnson	72	2	3rd Dirk Meyer	78	1	3rd Kevin Donahue	74	1	3rd Conrad Robertson	76	1
<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>		
Phil Goff	87		Harry Oberle	93		Alex Lutkus	99		Wayne Cook	108	
David Harris	87								Bill Hemmelsbach	108	
<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>		
David Harris			Jim Barstow						Conrad Robertson		

Boundary Oak, November 11, 2019

Al Hutchko - Official Scorer

<u>Flight 1</u>			<u>Flight 2</u>			<u>Flight 3</u>			<u>Flight 4</u>		
1st David Harris	70	3	1st Al Zavattero	66	3	1st Richard Madden	66	3	1st Bill Hemmelsbach	68	3
2nd Jerry Hicks	72	2	2nd Jim Barstow	68	2	2nd Jim Clizbe	69	2	2nd Fred Schafer	69	2
Tie 3rd Jim Johnson	73	1	Tie 3rd Mike Howard	69	1	Tie 3rd Charles McInnis	72	1	3rd Greg Hughes	79	1
Tie 3rd Don Schroeder	73	1	Tie 3rd Harry Oberle	69	1	Tie 3rd Tom O'Brien	72				
			Tie 3rd Bernie Wroblewski	69	1						
<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>		
David Harris	85		Jim Barstow	88		Richard Madden	96		Fred Schafer	105	
<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>			<u>Closest to #12</u>		
Don Schroeder			Jim Barstow			Bob Conlon					

Boundary Oak, November 4, 2019

Jim Johnson - Official Scorer

<u>Flight 1</u>			<u>Flight 2</u>			<u>Flight 3</u>			<u>Flight 4</u>		
1st Alan Fitzgerald	65	3	1st Harry Oberle	64	3	1st Jim Clizbe	64	3	1st Fred Schafer	69	
2nd Phil Goff	70	2	2nd Jim Videle	66	2	2nd Charles McInnis	68	2	2nd Bill Hemmelsbach	70	
Tie 3rd David Harris	72	1	Tie 3rd Mike Howard	67	1	3rd Sam Beret	71	1	3rd Wayne Cook	72	
Tie 3rd Bill McCord	72	1	Tie 3rd Hank McDermott	67	1						
Tie 3rd Jim McCormick	72	1									
<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>			<u>Low Gross</u>		
Alan Fitzgerald	81		Harry Oberle	86		Jim Clizbe	96		Fred Schafer	105	
<u>Closest to #2</u>			<u>Closest to #2</u>			<u>Closest to #2</u>			<u>Closest to #2</u>		
Phil Goff			Jim Barstow			David Fern			Terry Sherman		

18-Hole Leaderboard

2019 Second Half Leaders (as of Franklin Cyn., November 25, 2019)

<u>FLIGHT 1</u>		<u>FLIGHT 2</u>		<u>FLIGHT 3</u>		<u>FLIGHT 4</u>	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pts</u>
David Harris	27	Jim Barstow	29	Alex Lutkus	24	Bill Hemmelsbach	33
Alan Fitzgerald	24	Harry Oberle	21	Jim Clizbe	20	Greg Hughes	21
Don Schroeder	20	Al Zavatiero	21	Richard Madden	19	Terry Sherman	21
Jim Johnson	18	Alan Pope	15	Kevin Donahue	19	Fred Schafer	20
Phil Goff	16	Bernie Wroblewski	11	Sam Beret	9	Wayne Cook	16
Jerry Hicks	9	Al Hutchko	10	Dave Carlson	9	Conrad Robertson	7
Bill McCord	7	Frank Portillo	8	Tom O'Brien	6	Kirk McVean	2
Michael Barrington	5	Jim Vedele	6	Charles McInnis	5		
Warren Garrison	4	Mike Howard	5	Ron Armijo	5		
Carlos Xavier	2	Don Bennioff	3	Dick Chaffee	4		
Denny Giambiastini	1	Gary Boswell	3	Jai Yee	3		
Jim McCormick	1	Ken Coleman	3	Jed Daniel	3		
		Hank McDermott	1	Terry Grummitt	3		
		Dirk Meyer	1				

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- If you are registering for Boundary Oak, please indicate whether you are Walking or Riding.
- If you are registering for Paid-in-Advance tournaments, please mail your check prior to the deadline to SIR Branch 116 Golf, P. O. Box 683, Lafayette, CA 94549-0683.

Electronic Signups and Cancellations

Please note that you may also signup for Boundary Oak & Paid-in-Advance tournaments on this website. Simply navigate to 18-Hole Group/Schedules & Signups and choose either Boundary Oak or Paid-in-Advance. You may cancel a previous signup either by using the telephone hotline or by sending an email to branch116golf@gmail.com.

18-Hole Pay In Advance Deadlines

<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Amount</u>
December 16	Diablo Creek	Dec. 07	\$42
December 23	Brentwood	Dec. 15	\$35
December 30	Hiddenbrooke	Dec. 16	\$42
January 21	Franklin Canyon	Jan. 13	\$35
January 27	Blue Rock West	Jan. 18	\$39

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- Did not attend one-half of the regular luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period. NOTE: Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum attendance.
- All legitimate alternatives to termination shall be explored. The member's response may suggest an alternative to termination such as inactive status.

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