



Big Sir's Notes Pete Gates

At the April luncheon we were proud to honor **Bill Becker** as a Senior Sir. This honor is only bestowed upon that special group of Sir's who have celebrated their 90 birthday. The award was presented by our Honorees Chairman **Bob Yolland** and State SIR Vice-President, **Jim Stedman**. Congratulations **Bill!**

Ed Malboeuf is our new Golf Chairman, succeeding **Ron Binder**. Thanks to **Ron** for his service to the Branch and to **Ed** for taking on this role. Our membership represents a huge pool of talent. It is deeply gratifying to see our members come forward and take on important leadership positions. This is one of the key reasons why Branch 146 continues to be one of the best Branches in SIR. Another reason is that we have members who are bringing their friends and neighbors in as guests to take a look at what Branch 146 has to offer. Our state SIR President, **Bob Mannell** recently put it this way: "Be A Friend, Bring A Friend"

Don't forget to sign-up for the May Ladies Day luncheon. It is always fun to see the room packed and buzzing with energy when our wonderful ladies are present. Also, I really believe that everyone will enjoy the speaker that **Jim Burk** has lined up for this luncheon.



Little Sir's Corner Jim Burk

Our **Ladies Day Luncheon** is always special and on **May 12** we will be recognizing those ladies who do such a good job of caring for us. Many of these ladies also will have been celebrated on Mother's Day just a few days earlier. As you know, our speaker that day will be **TERI MCKEEVER**, currently the Women's Swimming and Diving Head Coach at the University of California, Berkeley and recently named the USA Women's Swimming and Diving Head Coach for the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. I am confident that everyone present will enjoy **Teri's** insights on the forthcoming Summer Olympic Games as she gives you a "behind the scenes" look at what lies ahead for the USA women. Get your questions ready for **Teri!**

In **June**, our presenter will be **GENNIFER MOUNTAIN**, accompanied by **Phil Trapp**, a fellow Sir from Branch 8. **Gennifer** is the Fall Prevention Program Manager under the umbrella of Senior Outreach Services offered by Meals on Wheels, a private, non-profit agency. **Phil** is a Certified Fitness Instructor and volunteer for the **Senior Fitness Circuit Program** in Contra Costa County. Falls are the leading reason seniors lose their independence. However, falls are preventable through exercise, medication management, eye exams and home modifications. **Gennifer** and **Phil** will educate and inform us on how to minimize the possibility of falling. It is never too early, or late, to get started on a program of physical fitness.

Non-Responsibility Declaration

Rule 345: All activities arranged for or 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.

GOLFERS TAKE NOTE

Dick Richmond, playing with the 9-hole golfers, was NOT in the sand trap on three of nine holes Thursday



Duplicate Bridge Terry Marchione

Our match is held each month on the Monday after the SIR luncheon at various homes. Bring your lunch



Sir **Bob Donahue** hosted our April game with four tables of duplicate bridge.

Terry Marchione (45.5 points) was the winner with second place going to **Jim Jackson** (44.0 points). **Jim Todhunter** (40.0 points) edged out **Bill Snyder** (39.5 points) for third place.

Our next game is scheduled for Monday, May 16th and will be hosted by **Jim Todhunter**.

Starting in May, **Doug Eisner** will be taking over as chairman of the group.

A second duplicate bridge group being started by Sir **Dick Devoe** has not yet gotten off the ground but it looks like they will have their first game in May.

COUPLES PARTY BRIDGE

Dave Pierce

John and Linda Boyan hosted three tables on April 4th (the supreme sacrifice, as that was the evening of the NCAA final). The cards were unfriendly all night, but were more friendly to our substitute players, **Lynn and Dasha Freeman** and **Bob and Janet Yolland**; they were only 30 points apart in the race for second place.

First place went to the guy keeping score, so the Audit Committee was called. We are looking for more folks for our sub list; call me if you're interested.

Dave Pierce, 932-3877. dwpi@astound.net

Area 2 \$ums In Retirement Allen Espenmiller

The Area 2 \$ums Investment Group will meet on May 25, 2011 at the Diablo Creek Golf course, 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Our speakers will be **Edward Rusnak** and **Jon Elfin** of Sagemark Consulting from San Ramon, CA. **Jon** and **Ed** will present the topic - **Market Insights: Guide to the Markets**. They will specifically focus on: **Equities, the Economy, Fixed Income, International and Asset classes**. A comprehensive guide book has been developed covering the topics presented and will be distributed at the meeting.

Plan to attend and share with **Jon** and **Ed** your own personal outlook on these topics as they are presented for portfolio management.

The restaurant opens at 7:00 am for those who would like to enjoy breakfast with our colleagues.

Co- Chairmen: **Allen Espenmiller** (Br-174) 925-376-3977

George Schulze (Br-8) 925-429-1756

Leary Wong (Br-8) 925-457-0807

Ken Nakashima (Br-171) 925-376-0421



Party Bridge Fred Bolton

*1st Monday at 10 am at various members' homes. Contact **Fred Bolton** for details. Bring a lunch*



We played 3 tables of bridge at the home of **Fred Bolton** on April 7. First place went to **Fred Bolton** with 5220 points, second to **Bob Donahue** with 5030 and third to **Chuck Hammond** with 4650. Our next game will be at the home of **Tommy Thomson** on May 2.

Couples Duplicate Bridge Lo McCarley

Meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm at participants' homes. Couples play as partners.



Margot Somerville hosted eight couples for a gala evening of duplicate bridge on April 20th— everyone had a great time. The group thanked **Dave** and **Joan Pierce** for subbing. **Carl** and **Anne Johnson** took first place with 37 points. **Lo** and **Sue McCarley** (35 points) came in second, while Margot Somerville and **Vince Rettew** tied with **Dave** and **Joan Pierce** for third place with 33 points (not the way to get invited back, **Dave**). **Jim** and **Allison Todhunter** will host the next bridge on May 18th.

Gala Ladies Day Luncheon

Thursday, May 12, 2011

No. of tickets _____ @ \$24 each.

Enclosed \$ _____

Names and Entrée:

Salad:

Mixed Green Salad with blue cheese, nuts and balsamic vinaigrette dressing

Entrees:

Grilled Chicken with a pineapple relish sauce

Rice Pilaf

Seasonal Vegetables

Mahi Mahi with a teriyaki glaze

Rice Pilaf

Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert:

Pineapple Upside-down Cake

Special requirements _____

Please make the checks payable to Sir 146 and mail to **Joe Fuchs**, 2116 Dover Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94598

We are accepting reservations until May 2nd. All reservations and payments in full must be received by May 2nd. There will be no tickets sold at the door.

If ordering for a group or for a full table of 10, send in the full payment and list your companions and their entrée choice on an attached sheet.



Poker Club #1 Frank McNamee



Poker Club #1 met April 13th at the residence of **Bob White** and for the second month in a row the host proved to be anything but the congenial, considerate, benevolent person that the name host implies. **Bob** was the large winner followed by our guest, **Jim Brown**, who didn't enhance his position for a return invitation. We will meet again at the home of **John Lewis** on May 11th to see if **John** can continue this trend of winning by the Host.

Poker Group #4 Chuck Bobinecz



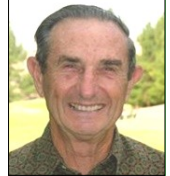
A change for the April 25th poker session. Sir **Rich Hanford** will be the host.

Sir **Skip Thomas** is hosting the May 23rd session. I have read that poker is a more difficult game than bridge or chess because you can bluff in poker.

SIR Happenings Newsletter

SIR Happenings is the statewide SIR Newsletter. Just go to www.sirinc.org and click on SIR Happenings to read the current issue. You may enjoy reading about the activities of other SIR branches.

Poker Club #2 Al Zamolo



Al Zamolo hosted the March session and was the big winner.

It seems as thou the host has been the big winner over the past few sessions. Let's hope this streak is broken when **Ron Binder** hosts our April meeting.



Explore and Dine Sacramento Group Trip



Travel Opportunities

Bob Spellman



from \$4720 to \$6057 depending on Stateroom. Contact **Bob Spellman @ 934-8428**. This trip has been very popular with over 50 people signed up.

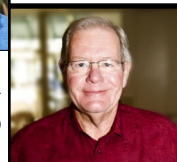
May 27-30, 2011 Sacramento Jazz Jubilee. This is a great Music Festival with over a 100 bands to entertain you. Beyond traditional jazz, there's blues, western, ragtime, salsa, and big bands. All day tickets are 20.00 to 39.00 pp depending on the day. If you enjoy music you will really enjoy this Festival. Contact **Bob Spellman @ 934-8428**. Deadline to purchase tickets is May 5th.

Jun 9-19, 2011 Alaska's Inside Passage. Embark on a 10 night Inside Passage cruise on board the Sea Princess sailing round trip out of San Francisco. Ports of call include: Juneau, Glacier Bay, Haines, Ketchikan and Victoria. Cost: \$2578 to \$2655 pp depending on Stateroom. Contact **Jim Lunn @ 925-551-3329 Branch #8** for more information.

Jun 22-24, 2011 Boulder Creek Golf and Fun Outing This is a fun couple of days with golf, food, relaxation and good company all close to home. We wanted you to know the date early so you could mark your calendars. Contact **Ken Richter @ 689-6217**

Sep 11-21, 2011 The Enchantment of Lake Michigan. An eleven day trip including a Hydrofoil to Mackinac Island, Green Bay and Madison Wisconsin featuring The House on the Rock and **Frank Lloyd Wright's** Hillside Home School at Taliesin, a ride on the Chicago River and into Lake Michigan. . Cost \$2885 Contact **Bob Hagler @ 925-934-7620 Branch 8** for more information.

Oct 1-11, 2011 Canada & New England Cruise. Experience the colors of Fall as you sail for 10 days aboard Silversea's Silver Whisper from Montreal to New York. You will also visit Quebec City, Charlottetown, Sydney, Halifax, Bar Harbor, Boston and Newport. While aboard the Silver Whisper you will find a most accommodating atmosphere providing impeccable service and world class cuisine. Everything is included in the price, tips, fine wines, all spirits, complimentary In Suite dining, meals airfare, bus to and from airport, port charge, and government fees and taxes. You will be treated like royalty. Cost



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We extend our condolences to the family of **Carolyn Bates**, wife of Sir **Charles**, who passed away on Monday, April 25th.

We extend our very best wishes to the following Sirs as they recover and return to good health. These Sirs and any unmentioned Sirs in need of healing are in our prayers:

Sir Reggie Fromm
Sir George Zunich
Sir Ron Pascoe
Sir Bill Schmeh
Sir Charles Kiser
Sir Bob Frankland
Sir Rod Sharrets
Sir Ed Mendelsohn
Sir Rob Van Luchene
Sir Mitch Mitchell
Sir Robert Skirvin

We also extend our best wishes and prayers to **Madelyn Nunn**, wife of Sir **Don**, and to **Kay Calloway**, wife of Sir **Jack**, who is recovering from neck surgery.

If you know a Sir who is sick, please let me know by phone or e-mail as shown above.



Garden Club Steve Dawkins

Due to inclement weather, our trip to the Sonoma Horticultural Nursery in April was canceled. However, for the May meeting we have rescheduled the trip for May 4th. We may have missed the azaleas, but the rhododendrons and clematis should be perfect. Reminder: Starting in June, our meetings will be held at the library on Oak Grove Road.



Bowling Larry Mitchell



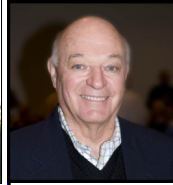
The Annual Dave Valladao Memorial Tournament was held at Diablo Lanes in Concord March 21st and 23rd. Unfortunately the results of the competition could not be tabulated in time to get in the April Sir Call so this news is not timely.

We had a good turnout this year with 127 bowlers participating in singles and 130 in doubles, including the wives of some bowlers. The total prize money paid out was \$2,741. Local SIRS winning a piece of the prize money were: **Roy Priest** (Br. 19) - first place all events, fifth place singles for total of \$140, **Jim Chenevy** (Br. 81) fourteenth in singles, ninth place doubles, and nineteenth place singles for a total of \$68. **Jackie Luke** (Br. 197) took nineteenth in all events for \$21. Sad to say, Branch 146 bowlers were not in the money. There were only two Branch 146 bowlers in the tournaments, both are named **Mitchell, Larry** and **Maurice (Mitch)**.

There are no tournaments scheduled in May. The next tournaments are at Pinole Valley, June 8th and 9th and Tall Pines June 21st and 22nd. . For More information on these events please call me.



Welcome New Member
Dennis Kaump



Membership Steve Sprague

Branch 146 Statistics:

Active Members: 261 including six Honorary Life Members.

Applicant List: None.

Inactive Members: Nine.

March Luncheon Attendance:

Members: 188

Guests: 5, Visitors: 0, Speaker: 1

Total Attendance: 194.

Status Changes:

Inducted: **Ed Chase**, Badge 20

Alan Elnick, Badge 11

Dennis Kaump, Badge 4

Frank Lucas, Badge 72

Guy Rudberg, Badge 39

Moved to Inactive List: **Jerry Berggren**, Badge 88

Resigned: **Bill Rash**, Badge 103, will be moving to Palm Desert.

Transferred: **Orren Rupert**, Badge 250, and **Bob Poirier**, Badge 222, to Branch 8.

Deceased: None

Changes to the Inactive Roster:

Jerry Berggren was added. Our inactive roster therefore is increased by one to nine members.



Cribbage John Pearl



On Wednesday, April 13th, six of the faithful gathered again at **Barney Meade's** home for our monthly cribbage game. We welcomed two new members to their second session with us. As usual, it was not much of a contest, as **Barney Meade** took first place money, with **Al Tufo** and **Jim Passaglia** splitting the second place prize. The rest of us enjoyed our dessert. Hopefully the tide will turn next month.

John Pearl, Chair
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Area 2 Computers and Technology Group



Meetings of the Area 2 Computer and Technology Group are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except June and December) from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., at the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge, 1475 Creekside Drive (just off South Main.)

Area 2 Computer and Technology Group invite you to their next meeting on Thursday, May 19th at 9am

The speaker will be **Dick Curry** who will review the Office 2010 suite and compare it to the 2007 version. He will show why you should, or should not, buy this version. **Dick** will share tips on how to get the best from the suite, so bring your questions and improve your understanding of this ubiquitous program suite!

We will also have a Q&A session with The Gurus of A2CAT where the advice is always 'priceless'.

Meetings of the Area 2 Computer and Technology Group are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except June and December) from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., at the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge, 1475 Creekside Drive. Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned user, we try to offer something for everyone. We ask for a donation of \$5 to cover the cost of the hall rental, coffee and cookies. All SIR members and their guests (spouses included!) are welcome to attend. See you there.

Phil Goff and **Derek Southern** Co-chairs



Welcome New Member
Frank Lucas



ROMEO

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)
Malcolm Hendry



The ROMEO group meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. We select eclectic restaurants in the East Bay recommended by you, as well as, those favorably reviewed by the media. Come join us and experience dining, while getting to better know your fellow SIR guests, in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

"CHEVALIER"

Awarded two "Michelin Guide Bib Gourmand" ratings and named "One of the Ten Best Restaurants of the East Bay" by Diablo Magazine, Lafayette's

"CHEVALIER" serves many traditional French recipes inspired by the flavors of Provence. Chef/owner **Philippe Chevalier**, an Executive Chef in Paris at age 27, is proud to bring his culinary skill and expertise to your dining experience.

There also is an extensive wine list of French and California varietals

Location: 960 Moraga Road, Lafayette

Web Site: www.chevalierrestaurant.com (menu, directions, awards and reviews...)

Phone: 925-385-0793

Please let me know by Tuesday, May 17th, that you will join us.

Your suggestions for restaurants you would like us to try are welcomed.

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Table Pool

Bill Weinberg

1st and 3rd Monday at 11:30 am.
(at Masse's 2721 N. Main, Walnut Creek)



We usually have three or four pool games going when we meet on the 1st & 3rd Mondays at 11:30am at Masse's - 2721 North Main in Walnut Creek. The cost is \$5.00 for as long as you want to play. We also have SIR members from other branches joining us and we usually play about 2 hours but not everyone stays for the final curtain. Haven't played in years? Come join us. All SIRs in our area are welcome.

Luncheon Attendance

Bob Mehus

SIR Luncheon is the 2nd Thursday of every month at CourseCo Restaurant at Boundary Oak Golf Club. The price of our luncheons is \$24 with a no-host bar.

Please email nolunchbranch146@gmail.com, or call **Bob Mehus** at 510-549-2221 by Friday NOON prior to the luncheon if, for any reason, you are unable to attend. If no one answers, leave your name, badge number, phone number and a short message. Please be sure you call!!!

Remember that our luncheon will be called to order at 11:45am, so please allow enough time to arrive on schedule. A check for **\$24.00** made payable to SIR146 is requested for payment of your lunch on Luncheon Day. Thanks.

A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the Attendance Chairman, giving a valid reason or who attends less than five (5) meetings/luncheons within the last twelve (12) months, excluding May and December (Ladies Day Luncheons), shall be notified by the prescribed form, of termination of his membership.

SIR bringing a Guest

Please call by Friday, noon prior to the luncheon and leave your name and badge number and the name of your guest. Please spell the last name of your guest.

Salad:

Mixed Green Salad with blue cheese, nuts and balsamic vinaigrette dressing

Entrees:

Grilled Chicken with a pineapple relish sauce

Rice Pilaf

Seasonal Vegetables

Mahi Mahi with a teriyaki glaze

Rice Pilaf

Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert:

Pineapple Upside-down Cake

Special Luncheon Requirements

If you require a vegetarian meal or any special meal, please call and make a request. Your request will remain in effect until you cancel it through the Luncheon Chairman. If for medical reasons, you cannot eat lunch, please notify me and your request will remain in effect until you cancel it through your Luncheon Chairman.

New Members and/or Sponsors

There will be a dedicated luncheon table set for any new members and their sponsors who would like to sit together to share their conversations as new members of SIR146. It is voluntary and please do not feel obligated, as a new member, to sit at this table.



Fishing Paul Dubow



Sturgeon fishing, which has been great this year, turned sour this month. The problem was caused by the heavy rain which poured fresh water into the delta and drove the sturgeon to the bottom. **Carl Moyer, Sal Costanza, Richard Bennett, Ron Yates, and Mario Moratario** all tried their luck without success. But we are sure that the sturgeon fishing will get better as the year progresses. Trout fishing at Shadow Cliffs Reservoir was equally bleak. But there were two exceptions. **John O'Brien, Carl Moyer, and Paul Dubow** nearly limited out on a beautiful sunny day. The catch included two thunder trout, including a six pounder bagged by **Carl**. Thunder trout are in the rainbow family and have been recently planted at Shadow Cliffs. They differ from rainbows in that they have a brilliant orange streak rather than the red streak sported by rainbows. On another occasion, **Carl and John**, along with **Terry Miller**, struggled to catch two rainbows but **Harry Sherinian**, denied room in **Carl's** boat, picked up three rainbows from shore in just an hour. In another foray, **Joe Miscione**, fishing with three friends, landed a fifteen pound striper in Los Vaqueros reservoir. **Joe Karg** tested the salmon fishing in Bodega Bay but apparently was a day too soon. He didn't pick up any fish and on the next day, anglers on the same boat limited out. But **Joe's** trip was not for naught. He brought home a limit of Dungeness crabs. While the fishing this month was at best spotty, the eating was terrific, 27 of us journeyed to **Carl Moyer's** home for a fish fry. We consumed 17 pounds of delicious rock cod and other goodies, including cioppino prepared by Chef **Joe Miscione**. Branch 146 members who attended were **Gene Schulting, Reggie Fromm, Al Meier and Paul Dubow**.

We will be very busy this spring with delta fishing for bass, catfish, stripers and sturgeon, trout fishing at Shadow Cliffs and Los Vaqueros, party boat trips for halibut, a trip to Lake Oroville for king salmon, and what looks like a promising salmon season in the ocean. Those of you who have never fished or who want to resuscitate your old rods and reels are very welcome to attend our next meeting which will be on Thursday, May 26, at the Legends Sports Bar and Grill at the Diablo Creek Golf Course, 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. The meeting starts at 8:30 am but breakfast is available at 8 am.

Theater
Gary Schaub



SIR 146 Theatre Party:
“Blues in the Night” -- June 15



If a toe-tapping evening with great music from the 1920's and 1930's sounds like an enjoyable evening out, then the SIR 146 theater party on Wednesday, June 15 is right up your alley.

“Blues in the Night,” featuring the blues and jazzy music of Benny Goodman, Johnny Mercer, Bessie Smith and Duke Ellington will brighten up the stage at the Leshner Center for the Arts.

A limited number of reserved seats at a special group rate have been set aside for SIR members and guests for June 15 at 7:30 p.m. for this popular musical review. The play received three Tony Award nominations including “Best Musical” when it opened in New York, and was later honored with a Laurence Olivier Award as “Musical of the Year” when it played in London.

Over two dozen memorable songs are featured in the show, including “Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out,” “Lover Man,” “These Foolish Things,” and “Am I Blue.” The outstanding cast includes Amelia McQueen from the original Broadway cast of “Ain't Misbehavin',” Debbie deCoudreaux from Paris' Moulin Rouge, and songstress Amanda Folena.

For tickets for “Blues in the Night” send a check payable to SIR 146 for \$30.00 each to Sir **Gary Schaub**, 1758 Candelero Court, Walnut Creek 94598. Deadline for reservations in June 7.

Tickets will be distributed at the door of Leshner Center, 1601 Locust Street, Walnut Creek at 7:00 p.m. on performance night. Note that the show begins at 7:30 p.m. Convenient parking is available in the City garage (\$5.00) adjacent to the Leshner Center.

Explore and Dine
John Pearl



In April, our group “rode the rails” of the Capitol Corridor on Thursday, April 28th, to Old Sacramento. We walked to the nearby California State Railroad Museum, where we had a docent-lead tour of this marvelous facility and display. We then wandered down the streets of “Old Sac” to the Rio City Cafe, on the river, for our lunch. The Capitol Corridor then returned us to our Martinez starting point.

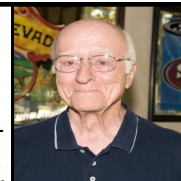
In May, we are planning an outing on Thursday, the 26th, to the Walt Disney Family Museum, located in the San Francisco Presidio. This museum is all about the life and times of **Walt Disney** and his family, and has been widely acclaimed. It recently opened in an existing building in the main part of the Presidio.

There is a public transportation option, taking BART to the Embarcadero Station, walking across the street to the nearby bus stop, and then getting on the “Presidio Go Downtown” Shuttle, which is free after 9:30 AM, and takes you directly to the Presidio's Transit Center, a short walk from the museum. However, the shuttle has 35 seats, some of which are filled by commuters and Presidio residents.

There is also paid parking near the museum for those who wish to drive.

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Bocce Ball
Martin Lyle



2nd and 4th Mondays at 9 am., May through October, at Concord Bocce Courts in Newhall Park, Concord, near the corner of Turtle Creek and Ayers Roads

May is here and its time to hit the Bocce courts. We're looking forward to a good season with good turn outs. No experience necessary.

NOTICE: As reported in last month's SirCall, we need to locate and acquire our own Bocce balls to use on Newhall Park, so contact me with any information on this matter. mvlyle@yahoo.com or 925 687-4893.



Tuesday Golf Ray Weisz



The Weekly Winners are:

March 22, 2011

White First Flight: 1st **Ed Malboeuf 72**, 2nd **Ron Binder 73**. White Second Flight: 1st **Ron Plachy 69**, 2nd **Steve Sprague 74**. Gold First Flight: 1st **Ray Weisz 63**, 2nd **Jim Kohl 69**. Closest to the pin Hole #2 **Chuck Campbell**, Hole #12 **Dick Woodman**.

March 29, 2011

White First Flight: 1st **Dave Steinberg 72**, 2nd **Bob White 75**, 3rd **Terry Marchione 76**. White Second Flight: 1st **Ken Richter 73**, 2nd **Bob Royster 74**, 3rd **Ben Gleason 78**. Gold First Flight: **Jim Passaglia 72**, 2nd **Russ Bliese 73**, 3rd **Bill Boyd 75**. Closest to the pin Hole #2 **Steve Conti**, Hole # 12 **Ben Gleason**.

April 5, 2011

White First Flight: 1st **Dale Hertweck 65**, 2nd **John Hammond 72**. White Second Flight: 1st **Bill Schultz 65**, 2nd **Bill Laws 67**. White Third Flight: 1st **John Alexander 68**, 2nd **Sal Costanza 68**. Gold First Flight: 1st **Al Zamolo 68**, 2nd **Ernie Dickson 68**. Closest to the pin Hole #2 & #12 **Frank Rockwell**.

April 12, 2011

Callippe Golf Course

Once again one of Gold Tee Golfers honored our Branch. **Russ Bliese** shot his age with a gross score of 85. Our congratulations go out to **Russ**.
Great Golfing!!

White First Flight: 1st **Gen Diana 69**, 2nd **Lew Thompson 70**, 3rd **Steve Conti 74**. White Second Flight: 1st **Bob Yolland 69**, 2nd **Bob Mehus 71**, 3rd **Bill Laws 72**. Gold First Flight: 1st **Russ Bliese 64**, 2nd **Dan O'Sullivan 65**, 3rd **Rich Hanford 67**.

Away Golf Rich Hanford and Joe Fuchs

Away golf will be on the 1st Thursday of the month, beginning in May and ending in October (i.e. 6 dates).

Our first date is May 5, at Deer Ridge. Cost is \$35. Here are some details:

1. Golfers will be able to optionally schedule their playing partners for carpooling purposes. Singles will be assigned to a foursome as they are on Tuesday's.
2. Players will pay at the course at check-in, like they do on Tuesdays.

Guests are welcome.

Time is running out to sign up for May 5th. Signing up is easy. You can do it now by sending an Email to Sir146awaygolf@yahoo.com, sign up at Tuesday golf, or by calling **Rich Hanford** or **Joe Fuchs**.

Future Away Golf Dates:

- 6/02/11 Lonetree \$36/\$21
- 7/07/11 Franklin Canyon \$33
- 8/04/11 Blue Rock East \$39
- 9/01/11 Delta View \$29 with bucket of balls
- 10/6/11 Deer Ridge \$35

Couples Golf John Harrington



Our couple's golf group had their first outing of the year on April 27 at Eagle Vines Golf Course in Napa. Our hosts were **Ray** and **Tippy Weisz**. Results of the competition at this challenging course include the following winners in order of finish: MEN-**Rich Hanford**, **John Harrington**, (**Bob Yolland** and **Ron Bindertied** for third. WOMEN: **Bonnie Rettew**, (**Judy Baldrige**, **Anne Plachy**, **Jean Harrington**) tied for second. Closest to Pin: MEN-**Ron Binder** and WOMEN-**Janet Yolland**. Our next tournament will be at Oakhurst CC in Clayton and our hosts are **Terry** and **Sharon Marchione**

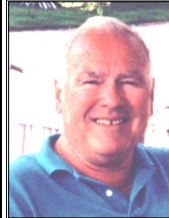
MEMBER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Jack Calloway

April was a big month with five new members being approved by the BEC. Those introduced at the Luncheon were **Alan Elnick** sponsored by **Joe Fuchs**, **Dennis Kaump** sponsored by **Lew Thompson**, and **Frank Lucas** sponsored by **Pete Miller**. **Edmund Chase** and **Guy Rudberg** will be introduced in June.

Because May is our Ladies Day Luncheon, there will be no new member inductions or guest introductions. If you have already introduced a guest, there is ample time to send a completed application to our Membership Chairman prior to the June luncheon. Sponsors of new members approved in June are eligible for the free lunch drawing which will take place at the luncheon.

Thanks to those members who have volunteered to act as sponsors for individuals who are interested in our Branch but do not have a sponsor.



Walkers
John Lewis



*Every Friday at 9:30 am at various locales. Call **John** or just show up. Rain cancels any walk.*

Walks In May Planned by
Pablo Chavez

May 6 Arbolardo Park So. Walnut Creek

Meet: Arbolardo Park parking lot

Walk: West on Arbolado Dr. South on Ygnacio Canal

Paved, Level Some Shade

Coffee: Deli Delight Shadelands Office Park

May 13 Walden Park North Oak Rd. Walnut Creek

Meet: Walden Park parking lot

Walk: North on Iron Horse Trail across Treat Blvd. bridge

Paved Level Some Shade

Coffee: LaScala Civic & Locust Walnut Creek

May 20 Hap McGee Park Iron Horse Trail North

La Gonda Way Alamo take 680 South Exit on El Pintado Immediate right on La Gonda Way takes you to the park

Walk: West across the bridge to Camille Ave then North on Iron Horse Trail

Paved Level Some Shade

Coffee: Pascal French Oven 155-B Railroad Ave

May 27 Lafayette Trail West St. Mary's Road

Lafayette

Meet: Lafayette Community Center

Walk: Follows St. Mary's Rd toward Moraga

Paved Mostly level Some Shade

Coffee Terzetto Cuisine Moraga Shopping Center



Welcome New Member
Alan Elnick

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