

*A Non-Profit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement*



# ROOSTER TALES

**Next meeting - Thursday September 3rd – 2015 – Oakhurst Country Club**



### **BIG SIR Message**

As we transition from Summer to Fall (and into the rainy season, I hope), let's assist some of our friends, acquaintances, and relatives as they progress from the world of work to

active retirement. There are probably dozens of men in our spheres of influence who need the encouragement and an invitation to shift into a healthy retirement lifestyle. Seek them out; invite them into SIR membership.

Congratulations to our newly elected slate of officers and board members for Branch 19. I look forward to assisting them during this transitory period between now and January 2016.



**Branch 19 Picnic**  
*Come to the Picnic*  
*Don't forget the Picnic*  
**Thurs Sep 17**

### **Picnic Attendance Prizes**

If anyone has items they would like to donate as attendance prizes for the SIR picnic, contact SIR Jack Duncan. 925.825.9152  
 jckduncan99@gmail.com

## *The Program for September*



**Charlie Bamforth, PhD**  
**Anheuser-Busch Endowed Professor of Malting and Brewing Science**  
**U C Davis, Department of Food Science and Technology**

Dr. Bamforth specializes in the science of malting and brewing. His current research program focuses primarily on the wholesomeness of beer, including studies on the psychophysics of beer perception, on polyphenols and on the residues from non-starchy polysaccharide digestion that constitute soluble fiber and potential prebiotics in beer. Research in the laboratory also embraces the enzymology of the brewing process, foam stability, preventing oxidation in wort and beer, and alternative paradigms for beer production.

Dr. Bamforth has been recognized with:

- Award of Distinction, American Society of Brewing Chemists, 2011
- Cambridge Prize, Institute of Brewing, 1984

<http://faculty.bftv.ucdavis.edu/fst/Bamforth/>

*September Menu*

Caesar Salad  
Roasted Pork Loin with Red Wine Demi Glaze  
Basa White Fish with Lemon Beurre Blanc Sauce  
Chef's choice Vegetarian plate  
Chocolate Cake

*September Birthdays*



*Bob Campos, Frank Carini, Duane Dionigi  
Steve Hanson, Don Lezur, Gregg Manning  
Leonard Nicholas, Barry Silberman, Frank Singer  
Richard Walker*

**Financial Statement  
Branch 19 Statistics**

August Attendance  
Members and Guests –89

**Treasurer Report**  
July 31, 2015

**Account Balances**

Petty Cash	\$ 250.00
General Account	
Unencumbered	\$4,161.70
Holiday fund	119.80
Picnic Fund	0.00
Total General Account	<u>\$4,281.50</u>
Custodial Accounts	
Bowling	\$621.83
Golf	<u>2,248.00</u>
Total Custodial	<u>\$2,869.83</u>
 Total Funds	 <u>\$7,401.83</u>

Ken Kuhn  
Branch 19 Treasurer

**Our Focus**

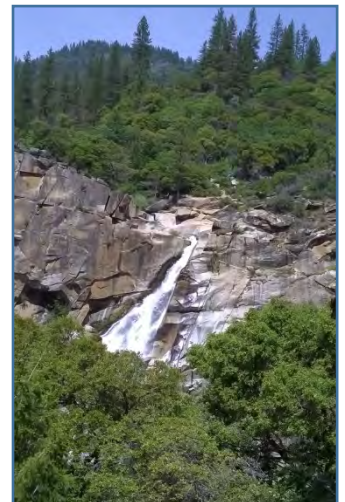
*Our most important concern is you.*  
We want to hear from you.  
Your impressions and feedback will help us improve your SIR experience.  
branch19newsletter@gmail.com



*Hiking Group*

We did several hikes on Mt Diablo in August. I am thinking of some of the hikes along the delta in Sept-October. Several people have also inquired about a walking group. If you are interested let me know. Tom  
If anyone wants to hike or take a walk, contact either George or Tom.

**Tom Lathrop 689-8981 lathrop689@aol.com**  
**George Vogt 672-3703 cvogtgo@att.net**



*Branch 19 Activities*

*Dining Out and Wine Tasting*

**Dining Out Group**  
 Meets on the third Thursday of every month.

- Sep 17 – SIR Picnic – Concord Community Park
- Oct 15 – Golden Willow Chinese – Concord

Nothing Scheduled for Nov. or Dec due to Holidays

**Hosted by Bruce and Patsy Persons**  
**Bruce Persons (925) 683-5141**  
[Brucep@astound.net](mailto:Brucep@astound.net)

*SIR Branch 19 Bowling News*

The meeting for Clayton Valley SIRS, is  
**Wednesday, September 2, 2015**, League starts  
 September 9th, 2015!  
 Hope everyone is able to make it to our fun and  
 healthy bowling:)

SIR Mike Kropf  
 Mr Have A Nice Day☺

**Mike Kropf 689-1453 mdkropf@astound.net**  
**John Carl 827-2444 johncarl45@msn.com**

*Interested in a Particular Activity?*

The SIR organization offers numerous activities that are easily available to the members. If you are interested in joining a group that is not offered in your Branch activity list, start one and share the activity with other interested members. The various Branches of Area 2 have approximately 70 active groups participating in a wide variety of activities.

If you need info regarding an activity, how to find one, or how to start one, contact Jack Barnaba.

**Jack Barnaba Activity Chairman 672-0947**  
**j.barnaba@yahoo.com**

*The Bocce Report*



The 2015 Concord Bocce season is starting to wind down. Fun is being had by all, especially by newcomers Ken and Kathy Kuhn, John Linster, and Sir Ron Cashion. Most Br. 19 bocce teams are still in contention for playoff consideration. Good luck down the stretch to all teams. Recent pictures can be viewed on our Sirs website sir19.org with more to come.

**John Fernando, Bocce Capo, Branch 19**  
**798-9978 jaferna2003@yahoo.com**



**Wine Tasting will meet again in October**

**Don Weimann 925-672-7711**

[weimanns@astound.net](mailto:weimanns@astound.net)

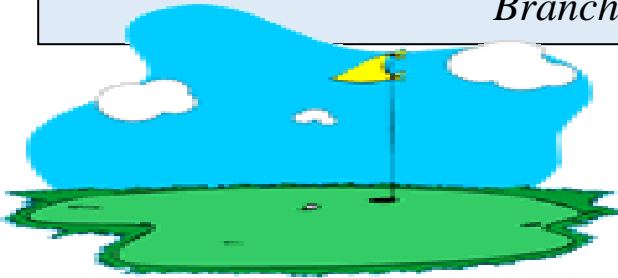
***Join us for a visit to the USS Hornet Museum on October 15***

**Sign up sheet on the table at the September Luncheon**

**Contact: George Vogt 672-3703 [cvogtgo@att.net](mailto:cvogtgo@att.net)**



***Branch 19 Golf Information***



**The 18 Hole Golf Group  
September Schedule**

Weather Permitting we will be playing:

- Sept 1 – Franklin Canyon 9:30
- Sept 8 – Lone Tree 9:30
- Sept 15 – Delta View 9:30
- Sept 22 – Lone Tree 9:30
- Sept 24 – Two man best ball  
Lone Tree 9:30
- Sept 29 – Boundary Oaks 7:30

**Jerry Burton, Golf Chairman**

[ajgolf81@yahoo.com](mailto:ajgolf81@yahoo.com)

***Nine Hole Golf Group***

Every Monday at approximately 9am,  
alternating at the following courses,  
**Buchanan and Diablo Hills.**

Contact: **Steve McMurdo**

[smcmurdo@att.net](mailto:smcmurdo@att.net)

Phone 687-6271

**Match Play Results**

And the winner is

**Gary Kaufmann 3 and 2 over Jack Duncan**

Congratulations to both!!

## Let's go visit the Haight.

Wed, Nov 4. 11am two hours \$27/person  
 Contact SIR Bernie Theobald [btheo47@comcast.net](mailto:btheo47@comcast.net)



Take a walk back in time. Visit the Haight. Think about what you were doing in the '60s. Maybe you lived there. Maybe you wished you lived there. Whatever.

- EXPERIENCE Janice Joplin's crash pad
- DIG the Grateful Dead house (where the band all lived together, man!)
- FREAK OUT to a Love-In in the Panhandle
- SAY "right on" to Buena Vista Park, which saw more sex, drugs, and rock-n-roll than the back seat of Paris HilJM27ton's Porsche
- SEE the psychedelic music, HEAR the psychedelic artwork, and FEEL the psychedelic stories
- SMELL the Haight-Ashbury of the 1960s

### Pay Attention to This

#### About Monthly Attendance

Please call the Hotline Number if you cannot attend.

**(925) 338-1996**

Call on or before five (5) days in advance of the monthly luncheon if you cannot attend.

That means call by Saturday at the latest.

Lunches are ordered for all members who have not called. If you don't show up the club is obligated to pay for the meal and you will be charged.

If you can't attend, call the Hotline.

**(925) 338-1996.**

Thank you for your cooperation

#### Membership Attendance is required by the By Laws:

**Rule 100:** A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the committee chair person (or calling the Hotline) giving valid reason or who attends less than six (6) meetings within the last twelve (12) months, shall be notified by the prescribed form, of termination of his membership. December Ladies Day is exempted.

**Lucky Badge number is somewhere in this issue. Look for JM followed by your badge number. Call the hotline before the luncheon if you find your number and your lunch will be free.**

#### The Calendar

**Computers & Technology**  
 Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

**Sums in Retirement**  
 Wednesday, September, 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Area 2 Fishing Group**  
 Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

**Bowling**  
 League starts in September  
 Clayton Valley Bowl

**Golf**  
 Mondays (Nine Hole) and  
 Tuesdays (18 Hole) (See above)

**Dining Out**  
 Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

SIR Branch 19 Presents



Join Us for a Picnic in the Concord Community Park  
Thursday, September 17th, 2015 1PM-5PM

**Menu by "Yum on the Run" Catering**

- Fresh Cut Fruit Display
- BBQ Brisket
- BBQ Chicken
- Baked Beans
- Assortment of Salads
- Garlic Bread Sticks, Rolls, and Fresh Baked Breads
- Beverage Station with Ice Tea and Ice Water •

**Bring Your Own Beer, Wine or Soft Drinks**

Call the Hotline **(925) 338-1996**  
(Leave Message) for additional information

**What:** SIR Branch 19 Picnic (**Members & Guests**)

**When:** Thursday, September 17th, 2015

**Where:** Concord Community Park  
(on Cowell Road)

**Site #1** (Between Pool and Playground)

**Time:** 1pm to 5pm or come early, site available all day. **Price: \$23 per person**

**Other:** For your comfort bring folding chair(s), or a spread to sit on in the shade. The complete catered menu is shown on the left.

Permanent picnic tables are provided at the site. See attached reservation form. Food to be served at approximately 2pm.

Return with Payment

**SIR Branch 19 Picnic -Thursday, September 17th - Concord Community Park**

Will Attend (\_\_\_) Will Not Attend (\_\_\_)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Badge # \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

**\$23** Per Person for Catered Buffet Picnic Lunch      Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to **SIR Branch 19**

Mail to: **Ken Kuhn**  
**535 Mt. Davidson Court**  
**Clayton, CA 94517**

*Area 2 Activities for September*



***The Area 2 Computer & Technology Group***

*September 17<sup>th</sup> 9:30am – Walnut Creek Elks Club  
1475 Creekside Dr. Walnut Creek*

**Personal Information Available on the Internet**

The topic will be “Personal Information Available on the Internet.” Just how much information is on the internet about you? How do you find information about old friends and relatives? Phil Goff will show us the data that is publicly available for just about everyone. It’s fascinating and a little scary but it’s the reality of the internet. We look forward to seeing you 9:00 AM, September 17, 2015. We ask for a donation of \$5 to cover the cost of the hall rental, coffee and cookies -- but some months are free, so come and see if our September meeting is another one of those! All SIR members and their guests (spouses included!) are welcome to attend. See you there.

*Area 2 Fishing Group*

***The Legends***  
 Diablo Creek G.C.  
 Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs  
**Thursday September 24**  
**8:30 am**  
 4050 Port Chicago Highway in  
 Concord.



Barry Rauchle, Brad Hatcher, Gordon Linebaugh, Steve Paulick, and Carl Moyer caught salmon on a fishing group charter from Half Moon Bay. Gordon landed a 28 pound brute, his largest ever. Clem Teeters caught an 18 lb salmon, and Bob Decker got a 14lb salmon fishing out the gate. Karl Droese caught a 17 lb salmon upriver fishing with Paul Dubow, Barry Rauchle, Ken Konzak, Jack Waddell, and Chuck Vanoncini. Karl Droese, Joe Miscione, and Dick Thomson brought home 75 salmon from an Alaskan trip. Closer to home, new member Ray Pixton, Carl Moyer, Alex Go, Harry Sherinian, Terry Miller, Gene Schulting, Barry Rauchle, and Gordon Linebaugh caught big catfish from San Pablo Reservoir. Harry and Mike Corker caught many black bass in the delta.

We will be very busy this fall with: delta fishing for bass, catfish, striped bass, crappie, bluegill, and sturgeon; trout and catfish, in mountain and local lakes, salmon and rockfish on the ocean. We live in a fishermen’s paradise.

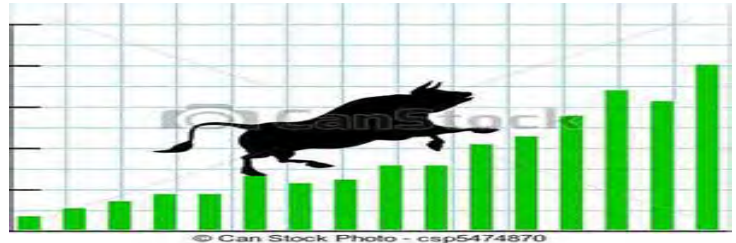
**Dick Thomson, Big Fish 925-944-1760**  
**Carl Moyer 925-685-5243**  
**Romano Gnusti, 925-376-3313**  
[www.branch116.org/fishing](http://www.branch116.org/fishing)

*Area 2 Investments / Wealth Management*

**The Area 2 \$ums Investment Group**

**Wednesday, September 23, 2015.**

Legends – Diablo Creek G.C.  
4050 Port Chicago Highway  
Breakfast available at 7am.



We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Legends Grill at Diablo Creek Golf Course. Meetings begin at 8:00am and last about 1½ hours. Come earlier to buy breakfast. Meetings are open to all Area 2 SIR members and their guests. We have an interesting speaker from the investment community for each meeting. Meetings are free and enjoyable. Come join us and learn to be a better investor.

Co-Chairmen:

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Gary Moore (BR 174) | 925 254-8742 |
| David Sutton (BR 8) | 925 686-0158 |
| Leary Wong (BR 8)   | 925 457-0807 |

[www.a2sums.sirinc.org](http://www.a2sums.sirinc.org)

*SIR Area 2 Travel Opportunities 2015 /2016*

**Oct 10, 2015: Fleet Week on the San Francisco Belle.** The Belle is a San Francisco Landmark That evokes the City’s charm. There will be no better vantage point to see the Fleet Week Air Show than directly under the planes. Cost \$128.00 includes RT deluxe motor coach transportation, cruise on board the SF Belle, reserved seats on board ship, hosted buffet luncheon, music entertainment, special viewing of the Blue Angels and gratuity. Contact Ken Richter, Br 146, 689-6217

**Oct 23, 2015: SIR Day at the Races.** Join fellow Sir’s for a fun day at Golden Gate Fields watching and may be betting on the ponies. The cost of \$33.00 includes valet parking, daily racing program, great buffet lunch and tax/tips. Doors open at 11:00 am. Contact Ken Richter, Br 146, 689-6217.

**Dec 7, 2015: The Holidays are blooming in the Valley.** Your first stop will be at Hilmar Cheese Factory, where your guide will step onto your motor coach for a tour through their facility, followed by a delicious hosted buffet lunch. After lunch you will have time to shop in their large country store. Next stop will be Duarte Nursery to view their amazing Holiday Poinsettias. Their greenhouses hold one of the largest selections of Poinsettias available. You will tour the facility with time to shop before departing for home. Cost \$54.00 pp including RT motor coach, hosted lunch, tours and driver gratuity. Contact Ken Richter, Br. 146, 689-6217.

**Feb 3, 2016: Jersey Boys.** This is a true story of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons who became one of the biggest American pop music sensations of all time. The musical features such Four Season hits as “Big Girls Don’t Cry,” “Sherry”, “Walk Like A Man”, and “Can’t Take My Eyes Off You. Cost is \$116.00 which includes RT motorcoach, reserved center Orchestra seats at the Orpheum Theatre and driver gratuity. Contact **Ken Richter**, Br 146, 689-6217.



**Mar 25-Apr 10, 2016: big Band Voyage Across The Atlantic Ocean.** 16 day all-inclusive cruise on the Crystal Symphony. Relish the blissful luxury of days at sea, highlighted by visits to Bermuda, the Azores, Barcelona, Bandol and Monte Carlo. Cruise cost from \$3665. Join SIR 146 on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 1:30 pm for a special cruise presentation and extra savings opportunities. Contact **Ken Richter**, Br 146, 925-689-6217.

**May 3-5, 2016: Vatican Splendors exhibit at the Reagan Presidential Library.** The Vatican exhibit only travels every other year so don't miss the opportunity to experience 2,000 years of Vatican art and history. You will also visit the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. Cost \$591.00 including RT motorcoach, 2 night stay at the Pepper Tree in Santa Barbara, baggage handling, 6 meals, guided tours of the Library, and Santa Barbara Mission, with a visit to Solvang, and drivers gratuity. Contact **Ken Richter**, Br. 146, 925-689-6217