



**SONS IN RETIREMENT ALMADEN BRANCH 94**  
**A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR RETIRED MEN**  
*Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement*

Almaden Branch 94 Meets the Second Thursday of each Month at the  
 Elk's Lodge, 444 W. Alma Avenue, San Jose, CA. 95110  
 Executive Board Meeting—10:00 A.M. Fellowship—11:00 A.M. Luncheon—11:45 A.M.

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**BIG SIR MESSAGE FOR DECEMBER**



Hi Guys. I've been on a Cruise. Everyone is asking, "Where are you!" I thought I told everyone. Oh well. Please come to the February meeting expecting fun, fun, FUN!

We're moving in the right direction. Bring in all your friends (and even your enemies) as the free lunch still is in order. Who said, "there is no free lunch?" All come now, hear?

Big SIR **Bill Hooper**

**SPECIAL NOTICE!!!!**

The 2011 Golf and Bowling schedules are now available on the Branch 94 web site at [www.sirbranch94.org](http://www.sirbranch94.org).

**CHECK IT OUT!!!!**

*Editors Note: No lines formed last month to volunteer for the editor position. REALLY, being the editor is really not a difficult task. It only takes a couple of days of your time once a month and is a great way to volunteer and help this great branch. Talk to me about how easy it really is!!!*

**Roger.**



**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Respectfully Submitted By  
**Dan Petersen**, Treasurer

ACTUAL	
Opening Balance 01/01/11	\$2667.17
<b>NO REPORT!!!</b>	
Ending Balance	???????

**DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR CALLER IS???**  
**IF YOUR SIR # FALLS IN THE "RANGE" THEN YOUR CALLER IS "NAME"**

<u>RANGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
001-010	Pat Blackford	151-160	Sam Walters
011-020	Earl Bowers	161-170	Ro Rochette
021-030	Bob Brown	171-180	Chuck Loney
031-040	Dave Catron	181-190	Doug Turner
041-050	Robert Nulk	191-200	Lee Billings
051-060	Bob Zoeller	201-210	Mike Sinnott
061-070	Bud Souza	211-220	Andy Rosetta
071-080	Frank Wilson	221-230	George Souza
081-090	Dennis Deisenroth	231-240	Julian Luci
091-100	Bill Knowlden	241-250	Dick Costella
101-110	Ron Raecker	251-260	Bob Harmon
111-120	Paul Wiesehahn	261-270	Ken Mills
121-130	Tom Siljander	271-280	Gary Cameron
131-140	Dick Clark	281-290	Ray Mesa
141-150	Ed Musgrave	291-300	Howard LeBas

**These guys love to talk to you**

Picture these guys crying!!! If they leave you a message, and you don't call them back to let them know if you are coming to the next SIR luncheon, they get tears in there eyes. Can you sleep at night knowing this???

## GOLF

The 2011 season starts on February 28th at **Coyote Creek Golf Course**. This will be a 4 man, 2 best ball, 9:00 AM shotgun start on the Valley course. This tournament is organized by our own **Sam Walters and Earl Bowers**. Get your reservations and your \$60 into Sam or Earl — ASAP.

On March 28th, we will travel to **Seascape Golf Club** for our second event of 2011. This will be an 8:00 AM shotgun start.

The 2011 golf schedule is now on the SIR Branch 94 web site. Check it out at **www.sirbranch94.org** and put your SIR golf dates for 2011 on your calendar now. Check it often for any changes to the schedules.

**Chuck McCoy** - 408-371-6988,  
chuckmccoy@comcast.net.

**Sam Walters** - Area 5 Chairman 408-268-3739,  
sowalters@att.net

## TRAVEL

The travel committee representing **Areas 5 and 20** needs your support. The Travel Newsletter will only be mailed every other month, **but** if you give me you email address then you will receive this valuable information, every month.

Your best travel info is set out for you every month on the **brochure table**. Take some brochures home to share with your family and friends and take a little time to look at these great trips in detail. **Your next vacation is in your hands.**

**Bud Souza** - Travel Chairmen. 408-340-0082

## BOWLING

Recent high scores in the Monday Sirs League at **Cambrian Bowl** are as follows:

12/27	Dave Catron	246, 616
	Eddie Fahrner	202
	Tom Higa	203
	Bill Hooper	204, 225, 600
	Bill Ikerd	212, 215, 232, 659
	Tony Medeiros	209
	George Zagelow	201
1/3/11	Bodie Beaudikofer	222
	Ron Bianco	201
	Dave Catron	201, 202, 228, 631
	Bill Hooper	217, 231, 626
	Bill Ikerd	218, 255, 604
	Tony Medeiros	211
	Dennis Pitchford	214
	George Zagelow	206
1/10	Dave Catron	223
	Ted Head	204, 212
	Bill Hooper	205, 234
	Tony Medeiros	224, 245, 664
	Dennis Pitchford	204
	George Zagelow	203
1/17	Ron Bianco	225, 267, 686
	Dave Catron	209
	Ted Head	209, 222
	Tom Higa	274, 647
	Tony Medeiros	225, 237, 638
	Dennis Pitchford	221
	George Zagelow	213, 235, 620

Contact **Dennis Pitchford (408-559-7977)** or check the web site at [www.sirbranch94.org](http://www.sirbranch94.org) for **Branch 94** bowling information.

## **BRING A FRIEND TO LUNCH, SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER**

THE STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS LEARNED THAT NEW MEMBER RECRUITING EFFORTS HAVE REDUCED MEMBERSHIP LOSSES FROM NEARLY 5% IN PREVIOUS YEARS TO ABOUT 2.5% IN 2010.

BRANCHES IN 2010 WERE CHALLENGED TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS AT THE RATE OF 10% OF BRANCH MEMBERSHIP. THE LEADERS IN 88 BRANCHES RESPONDED. THEY EXCEEDED THE CHALLENGE AND RECRUITED AT THE RATE OF 13.2%. THESE BRANCHES INDUCTED 1,587 NEW MEMBERS.

IN 2011 WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE ALL BRANCHES RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGE. LET'S KEEP THIS POSITIVE TREND GOING.

FROM YOUR 2011 SIR STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Always Remember This, You don't stop laughing because you grow old,  
You grow old because you stop laughing!!*

## ATTENDANCE — JANUARY

Members ..... **122 (69%)**  
Guests ..... **0**  
Total Active + Life Members ..... **171 (-2)**  
Total Inactive Members ..... **21 (+4)**

## ANNIVERSARIES IN FEBRUARY

(if your name should be here or the years are missing send updates to Ron Carter, Membership at ron.carter@comcast.net)

Don	Black	12	Ron	Raecker	37
Pat	Blackford	61	Pat	Smith	46
Dennis	Deisenroth	48	Don	Trehearne	
Joe	DeMaria	19			

## SIR BORN IN FEBRUARY

Gary	Auclair	Chuck	Loney
Granny	Barefoot	Sam	Marfia
Jack	Citti	Frank	Pollifrone
Wayne	Crane	Walt	Robinson
Garth	Duncan	Neil	Rowland
Bill	Graham	Shelly	Spungen
Bob	Haynie	Larry	Verjinski
Phil	Ignoffo	Bob	Zoller

## DRAWING WINNERS FOR JANUARY

Each receives **\$10.00** for the winning ticket.

051	<b>Ron Carter</b>
295	<b>George Armes</b>
179	<b>Ray Mesa</b>
282	<b>Bud Souza</b>



**\$50.00 Badge Drawing**  
(must be present to win)  
1st draw: 133 **Don Johnson**

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

The Total Active numbers include the following changes:

New member:



274 **Sid Dubin** (Judy)  
Sponsor: **Ed Ehrich** #249  
212 **Andre Ashley** (Susan)  
Sponsor: **Bob Brown** #060

Other changes:

061 **Paul Terradista** request to be Inactive  
024 **Jack Keys** request to be Inactive  
136 **Joe Cooper** request to be Inactive  
258 **Bob Harmon** request to be Inactive

011 **Eddie Grace** reinstated as Active

The following are new applicants pending membership.  
They are not included in the Total Members count:

278 **Ted A Rogers** (Bonnie)  
5210 Turner Way #326  
San Jose, CA 95136  
408-264-1304, tedbon1930@att.net  
Sponsor: **Bob Baker** #193

131 **Leo Pursley** (April)  
1063 Crosspoint Ct  
San Jose, CA 95120-1528  
408-997-6680, pursleymp@comcast.net  
Sponsor: **Gary Cameron** #016

## **MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

**Ron Carter** - 408-996-1285, ron.carter@comcast.net

## SUNSHINE

We all know of someone who could use a smile and some conversation.

Honorary Life Member **Ralph Lemon** passed away during the week of January 16th. He had been at Plumb Tree Care Center for a short time.

Contact **Howard LeBas** 408-268-4588 for Sunshine News.

## **THE JANUARY BIRTHDAY GUYS AT THE LUNCH**





**Sir Branch 94  
February 2011  
Newsletter**

Roger C. Prow  
576 West Parr Ave. Unit 5  
Los Gatos, CA 95032-1537

**Return Service Requested**

**SONS IN RETIREMENT RULES**

Sons in Retirement require that members may be dropped for failing to attend 6 meetings a year, or for missing 3 consecutive meetings without a valid excuse. Dispensation may be made for those who leave the San Jose area for an extended period each year, but who attend regularly while they are in town. Members who are unable to attend meetings for reasons should consider requesting inactive status.

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

**LUNCH THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2011**

**FEBRUARY PROGRAM**

**Pat Vitucci** is the CEO and principal of Vitucci & Associates located in Walnut Creek with 11 offices throughout the bay area. Pat is a financial analyst and is best known for dispensing investment advice on Bay Area radio and TV stations. Pat's mantra, "Don't Invest and Forget", is the title of his recent book and reflects his style of managing investments.

**The Lunch will be:**

**Pasta with Meatball and Sausage**

**Along with vegetables and Salad,**

**Rolls and Dessert**

**REMINDER**

The servers would like to thank you for leaving a buck or two on the table. They really appreciate your kindness.