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For Retired Men



NOVEMBER 2017  
Devoted to the  
promotion of independence and  
Dignity of retirement

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

**SPEAKER**

**November 1st, 2017**

**GARY WHITE**

**An Update on climate change**

Gary White is a climate activist who was trained by Al Gore and his Climate Realty Project. His role is to inform and educate people living in the bay area and Northern California about climate change – its effects and solutions – using an updated version of the slideshow used in the film AN INCOVENIENT TRUTH.

Currently retired, Mr. White spent nearly 30 years as a Human Resources Executive in Silicon Valley with Apple, Intuit and Palm. In addition to HR he took responsibility for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) at his work places over the last 15 years.

Mr. White holds a B.A. in sociology from Stony Brook University, an M.S.W. from UC Berkeley, and a Executive Education Certificate in CSR from Harvard . He lives in Belmont and swims and reads when he is not advocating solutions to climate change.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

This year our annual Christmas luncheon is scheduled for Dec 6<sup>th</sup>. Unlike previous years we will not be assigning tables. Please make arrangements for tablemates on your own.

**Send chks for \$37 each to  
SIR #51 c/o Kevin Wheaton  
152 Morandi Lane  
Menlo Park Ca. 94025**

**IMPORTANT: PAYMENT FOR THE  
LUNCHEON MUST BE MADE BEFORE  
NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>.**

You will not be able to “pay at the door”

**IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY  
SUGGESTIONS REGARDING SPEAKERS  
PLEASE CONTACT  
LITTLE SIR: Walt McCullough  
650-303-8194**

**From BIG SIR  
CRAIG CARPENTER**

An Area Training Session for 2018 SIR branch officers was held on Monday, October 23rd. at The Villages in San Jose & I attended.

I strongly encourage all members to send in your \$37/per person check for our **Holiday Luncheon on December 6th from 11:30-1:30**. A great chance for we guys to meet the real decision makers in our families. Once again, the Main Street Singers from Los Altos High School will perform and they are fantastic! Reservations will be accepted until 12/01 & you will not be able to purchase at the door. Many kudos to Kevin Wheaton for all his work!

Our November 1st meeting will be chaired by Sam Meredith as my wife & I will be traveling in Japan...unless Kim Jong-Un has other plans.

**Good Reads For Guys**

"Last Hope Island" by Lynne Olson  
"Beneath A Scarlet Sky" by Mark Sullivan  
"Camino Island" by John Grisham  
"Killing England" by Dugard-O'Reilly

**PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS &  
NEIGHBORS TO CONSIDER  
JOINING OUR SIR BRANCH 51.  
YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!**

**IN MEMORIUM**  
**ED WRIGHT**  
 Deceased Oct 6 2019

**NEW MEMBER**

PFLAUM WILLIAM D. (Bill/Helen)  
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 The Mazer Corp - Bicycling/Volunteering

**2018 OFFICERS**

Big SIR - Craig Carpenter  
 Little SIR - Steve Tremulus  
 Secretary - Gerry Shebar  
 Treasurer - Kingsley Wood  
 Assistant Treasurer - Myron Hollister  
 Membership - Tim Eastham  
 Speakers - Walt McCullough  
 Good Samaritan - Bob Guffey  
 Attendance - Gerry Shebar  
 Golf - Kai Johansen  
 Special Events - Jim Dreyer  
 Website - Marc Cohen/Gerry Shebar  
 Newsletter - Jim Cummings  
 Greeters - Al Runge/Erv Ericksen  
 Front Desk Check In - Myron Hollister/Erv Ericksen/John  
 Preston/Kai Johansen  
 New Members Orientation - Roy Deffebach  
 Nominating Committee - Rick McLain/Sam  
 Meredith/Craig Carpenter

**2018 BOARD MEMBERS:**

Craig Carpenter, Steve Tremulus, Gerry Shebar, Kingsley  
 Wood, Myron Hollister, Tim Eastham, Walt McCullough,  
 Marc Cohen, Jim Cummings, Joe Grippo, Jim Dreyer.

**ACTIVITIES**



**COMPUSIR** is a self-help Computer  
 discussion group. We meet for lunch and  
 discussion on the second Wednesday of each  
 month at the PALO ALTO ELKS LODGE 4249 EL  
 CAMINO REAL, PALO ALTO. For entry, use the  
 announce button on the pedestal to the left of the  
 Front door. **COMPUSIR** is now part of SPAUG (the  
Palo Alto - Stanford Users Group). SPAUG Meetings  
 are still held the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each  
 month at 7:00 pm. at PA Elks Lodge (address above).  
 The meeting is upstairs (elevator available past the  
 stairway). More information at [www.pa-spaug.org](http://www.pa-spaug.org) .  
 Some members meet for dinner at the club at 5:30

**COMPUSIRS** contact is Jim Dinkey  
 (650-493-9307)

More information at [www.pa-spaug.org](http://www.pa-spaug.org).

**MACINTOSH USERS**

Skip Ross 541-857-6224

[waross@closereach.com](mailto:waross@closereach.com)

Contact Skip Ross to join this e-mail group where  
 SIR members in all branches can exchange MAC-  
 related news, get answers to questions and share  
 experiences.

**INVESTMENT GROUP**

BOB GUFFEY is developing a new group to  
 meet after lunch to discuss investment ideas. Any  
 member interested in exchanging ideas is  
 welcome to join the group.



**GOLF:** The following months' schedule

<u>OCTOBER</u>		<u>NOVEMBER</u>	
03 TUE Spring Valley	10:00	08 Wed Los Lagos	10:00
11 Wed Sunnyvale	09:15	15 Wed Spring Valley	10:00
18 Wed Poplar Creek	10:15	22 Wed Shoreline	10:00
25 Wed Crystal Springs	10:30	29 Poplar Creek	10:15
31 TUE Santa Clara	10:00		

**September Leader Board**

<u>GROSS</u>		<u>NET</u>	
1-Steve Tremulis	78	1-Art Lewis	57
2-Ned Miller	80	2-Gerry Shebar	62
3-Ben Guess	83	Rick McLain	62
4-Dick Taylor	87	Marc Cohen	62
Bob Rewak	87	5-Ben Guess	64
6-Gerry Shebar	88	6-Dave Mason	67
7-Dave Mason	89	Tony Hanley	67
8-Art Lewis	90	8-Greg Schaem	68
Rick McLain	90	9-Ron Rosenfeld	69
Kingsley Wood	90	Rob Harrell	69
		Tim Eastham	69

**PLEASE BE AT THE COURSE AT LEAST  
 ONE HOUR BEFORE THE FIRST TEE  
 TIME.**

All of the golf courses we play require a player  
 count 7 to 14 days prior to play date. Please call  
 or e-mail JIM CUMMINGS (650-328-2168) if  
 your play or no-play commitment changes.

KAI JOHANSEN (853-2493)



Thursday at 9:30. SATURDAYS  
 are at 9:30 Experienced players  
 need to be there 15 minutes early to be entered  
 into the draw for teams. FREE COACHING IS  
 AVAILABLE FOR NEW PLAYERS.

Don Hughes (323-9916)



**SIRS ON BIKES:** SIR Area #16 bike Regularly start at 11:00 AM the **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.** WIVES AND GUESTS ARE WELCOME. **Bring bike, helmet and a jacket if it is windy. RAIN WILL CANCEL.** Attendance averages 10-15 riders. More are welcome. Rides are planned to be 15-20 miles on paved bicycle trails (so that almost any type of bike is usable) with some optional ride distances. The pace is moderate and riding on streets is kept to a minimum and includes a restaurant lunch break. Participants should exercise good judgment such as maintaining a safe distance between riders, obeying all signs and stoplights etc.

**November 9  
FOSTER CITY BAY TRAIL**

**Ride:** We will ride the flat Foster City Bay Trail for about 10 miles from the Oracle Headquarters to the Poplar Creek Golf Club at Coyote Point for lunch, and then return (approximately 20 miles round trip). It might be windy, so bring a jacket or windbreaker.

**Directions:** Get off Highway 101 at Marine Parkway/ Ralston. Turn right on Marine Parkway, then an immediate left onto Oracle Parkway. The meeting point is a tree-shaded parking lot with restrooms to the left of this intersection. If the parking lot there is full, backtrack over the creek to 401-501 Island Parkway and park in the Oracle lot. Ride your bike across the pedestrian bridge to the meeting point.

**COME RIDE WITH US**

**To Ride or More Info: CONTACT**  
**CHAIRMAN**                      **ALTERNATE**  
 Jim Lunt                              Gordon Tong  
 408-252-6804                      gordy6850@gmail.com  
[jamesdlunt@yahoo.com](mailto:jamesdlunt@yahoo.com)      408-242-0557



**TENNIS:** Our tennis group meets Mondays and Thursdays at Rinconada Park in Palo Alto. Please be there by 8 AM when doubles teams will be formed. Later arrivals will play as sets are completed. We play an open spin-in doubles format. Play level is about 2.5. We welcome non-SIRS so bring a friend.  
 Bill Kamin (322-4300)



**INDOOR BOWLING:** (BRANCHES 5, 35 & 51) We bowl on a handicap system, so all have an equal chance. Each season teams are revised and always have a mix of players by ability. **Tuesdays at Homestead Lanes: Homestead and Stelling in Sunnyvale.** Be there by **12.45.** New bowlers are always welcome at any level of experience. If you're new, it's easier if you call me in advance so we will be prepared.

The next SIR bowling session begins 3 October, one PM at Homestead Bowl, Cupertino There are now 10 coed teams. Spouses and girlfriends are welcome. Interested folks contact Tim Eastham

TIM EASTHAM (366-2449)

NON RESPOSIBILITY 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, 16, 35 & 51 TRAVEL NEWS**



Numerous Trips are available through SIR statewide. Check the state publication SIR HAPPENINGS  
[www.sirinc.org](http://www.sirinc.org)  
 click on travel

All changes in address and/or telephone number must be reported to the Membership Committee Chairman:  
Tim Eastham, 2110 Ward Way, Woodside, Ca 94062 (650-366-2449).

**SIR BRANCH #51 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Big Sir: Craig Carpenter 930-0510  
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Director: Jim Cummings 328-2168  
Director: Walt McCullough 328-2442  
Director: Kingsley Wood 799-8420

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Bowling, Indoor: Tim Eastham 366-2449  
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Tennis: Bill Kamin 322-4300  
Travel: Art Lloyd 384-6424  
Investing: Bob Guffey 593-3496

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Attendance: Mark Cohen 961-4882  
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Greeters: Al Runge 592-1345  
Historian:  
  
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Luncheon Programs: Walt McCullough 303-8194  
Membership: Tim Eastham 366-2449  
Assistant: Gerry Shebar 868-6124  
New Member orientation: Roy Deffebach 631-0585  
Nominating Committee: Rick McLain 408-629-8170  
Special Events: Kevin Wheaton 485-2276

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