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TIPS

Sons in Retirement, Inc.

Mission Trail Branch 35

Los Altos, California

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April 2009

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, April 15, I.F.E.S. Hall

Social Hour 11am – Lunch 12pm

Note new
address

Please, if bringing a guest OR not attending,

CALL 650-823-0702 or EMAIL [sir35notify \(atsign\) gmail.com](mailto:sir35notify(atsign)gmail.com)

by SUNDAY, April 12 (leave name and badge #).

Thanks --- we need this information!

PROGRAM

Speaker: Jim Harbaugh, Head Football Coach
Stanford University

Topic: Brief talk followed by Q & A

[NOTE: Send your Q's to Dick Wilson: [rd.wilson \(atsign\) comcast.net](mailto:rd.wilson(atsign)comcast.net)]

Jim Harbaugh first came to the Bay Area from Ohio in 1980 when his father, Jack, was named Stanford's defensive coordinator. Jim played quarterback for Palo Alto High School and then went on to play for Bo Schembechler at Michigan. When he left Ann Arbor in 1986 his passing records were among Michigan's all-time top five for attempts, completions, completion percentage, passing yards, and touchdown passes, helping to carry the Wolverines to Fiesta, Holiday, and Rose Bowl appearances. In 1985, Jim led the nation in passing efficiency and led his team to a #2 ranking in the final polls – the highest finish ever for one of Schembechler's Michigan teams. In his senior year Jim earned Big Ten Player of the Year honors, was selected for both the AP and UPI All-American teams, and finished third in Heisman Trophy balloting.

Jim was drafted by the Chicago Bears and played seven seasons for them, passing for a career-high 3,121 yards in 1991. Then he quarterbacked the Indianapolis Colts for four years, leading the team in 1995-1996 to the AFC Championship game and coming within one dropped Hail Mary pass of taking the Colts to the Super Bowl for the first time in 25 years. During that playoff run he earned the nickname "Captain Comeback" for orchestrating come-from-behind wins over the Chiefs and the Chargers and a near upset over the Steelers. That year he was selected for the Pro Bowl and was named Comeback Player of the Year and AFC Player of the Year. Jim later played for the Baltimore Ravens, San Diego Chargers, and Carolina Panthers before ending his 15-year NFL career in 2001.

Harbaugh spent a year as an assistant coach with the Oakland Raiders in 2002-2003 before being named head coach at the University of San Diego in 2004. His Toreros lost four of their first six games, but then won 27 of the subsequent 29, winning the Pioneer Football League twice. In 2006 Jim was named Head Football Coach at Stanford University, directly across the street from Palo Alto High School where it all started.

The Coach will respond to questions regarding any of the above experiences or perhaps experiences yet to come --- just ask him!

The Big Sir Says . . .

Keep those guests and new members coming

We had a good turnout in March --- thanks to all who brought guests. As promised, I will keep reminding all to look for creative ways to inform newly- and semi-retired men about what SIR Branch 35 has to offer. Spread the word that we present vibrant activities, great speakers with timely topics, means to meet old and new friends, and many ways to keep active.

E-sytem continues to grow

Electronic Trail Tips (e-TT) has proven to be a technically feasible and useful communication tool for our members. You now have the option of forgoing the paper copy of Trail Tips and getting your Branch 35 news solely from e-TT IF you so choose. See the box below for instructions. If you take no action, you will continue to receive your paper copy of Trails Tips in the mail every month.

We are planning to move forward with an on-line membership listing with accompanying photos. We will only list names, with no personal information. We will have someone taking digital photos prior to our next several meetings to get this started. We are looking for volunteers to help with the photo shoot. Please contact Ken Newton or me if you are interested.

A few reminders

- We are still collecting contributions for 2009. (Our FY starts Oct. 1) If you have not already done so please get your check to Chuck Dunker.
- Our organization always has needs for volunteers. There are many ways to help, so get involved!
- Check out "Happenings" at www.sirinc.org.
- Don't forget that SIR Day at the Giants is July 29.

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WANNA GO GREEN? Inform Peter Barba if you want to use e-TT in place of a paper copy of Trail Tips. [[Peter_Barba \(atsign\) stanfordalumni.org](mailto:Peter_Barba(atsign)stanfordalumni.org)]

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Honey Baked Ham or Baked Fish
Au Gratin Potatoes, Rice, Vegetables
Salad, Rolls, Dessert, & Coffee
Vegetarian by Reservation Only

Dick Knock: 408-257-5221; [rknock \(atsign\) aol.com](mailto:rknock(atsign)aol.com)

Active
360

ROSTER CHANGES

Inactive
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NEW MEMBERS

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Mountain View 94040 Varian Associates, Inc.

Travel, Tennis, Fishing, Hiking,
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BIRTHDAYS – APRIL

Arne Bergh	Hutch Hutchinson
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Ted Carlson	Carl Lambert
Don Davis	Adrian Maarleveld
Fred Dietrich	Joe MacIntosh
Jim Dinkey	Chris Manak
Roger Dunlap	Charlie McLure
John Eilers	John Nicholson
Claude Everson	Al Parra
Al Felli	Robert Pittman
Leo Furtwangler	Lloyd Robinson
Curt Gleason	Dan Seitz
John Grigsby	John Sessoms
Jeff Grundy	Dell Smith
Andre Hary	Howie Steege
Don Holmes	Bob Willwerth
Ed Hoover	Chris Wood

TENNIS

BILL SCHICK 650-948-8768
billschick (atsign) att.net

Every Monday and Thursday, starting at 8:00am

Riconada Park courts off Embarcadero Road at
Hopkins Avenue, Palo Alto.

New players welcome!

Where's the @? Because Trail Tips is now online,
you will see "(atsign)" in listed e-mail addresses
rather than "@". Further commentary is on the back
page of e-TT (not on the paper copy).

TRAIL BIRDS

DON BOECKLING 650-965-2659
Parodies: George Fullmer
Accompanist: Annette Boyenga

JOIN OUR SINGING –

Rehearsals 2nd Wednesdays (April 8)

10:00am Los Altos Senior Center, 97 Hillview Ave, Los Altos

Pre-Meeting Rehearsal – 11:00am, IFES Hall

TRAVEL

ED WASSON 650-948-6704
edwardwasson (atsign) yahoo.com

Sep 22 – Oct 1

10 Days

\$3299 pp dbl

Shades of Ireland

Kiss the Blarney Stone & More!

Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387

Oct 12 - 23

12 Days

\$1015 - \$1545
pp dbl

Mexican Riviera Cruise

R/T from San Francisco

Optional shore trip: Copper Canyon

Escort: Joe Ames 408-736-8387

PRICE REDUCED!

2010

Aug 28-Sep 7

11 Days

\$4795 pp dbl

**Passion Play in
Oberammergau &**

German Highlights

Escort: Talbot Tours 408-879-0101

\$200 Refundable Res'n Deposit

Phone escorts for complete information & reservations

BOOK SWAP

PAUL SCHERER 408-773-2772
pscherer (atsign) sbcglobal.net

Social Hour before monthly Luncheon – 11:00am

Bring books of all kinds (one or a few) you'd like to give to
our members, and **find some you'd like** to read.

Featured: W E B Griffin has written more than thirty epic
novels in five best-seller series involving military, police and
spy subjects. Join us at the Book Swap table for more
information on this popular author.

BOWLING

ART ENGLAND 650-948-5828
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EVERY TUESDAY - PALO ALTO BOWL, 4339 E. EL CAMINO, PA

Play starts at 1:00pm - Practice lanes available at 12:50pm

Join us for the Winter/Spring Tournament.

Highest games in March:

Hal Knowlton: 183

Tim Eastham: 181, 177

Bill Finkemeier: 182

Dick Frackes: 177

Bob Taggart: 181

Highest "3-game series" in March:

Bill Nye: 502, 491

Chuck Huff: 475

Tim Eastham: 497, 484

Tournament to date (Top 2 Branch 35 handicap scores):

High game:

High "3-game series":

Roy Robinson: 285

Bob Taggart: 683

Bob Taggart: 263

Roy Robinson: 679

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Men do not quit playing because they grow old; they grow
old because they quit playing. ~ Oliver Wendell Holmes

COMPUSIR

JIM DINKEY 650-493-9307
jimdinkey (atsign) jimdinkey.com

Second Wednesdays, 12:30pm
Los Altos American Legion Hall

April 8 – Larry Templeton: “Build Your Own Media Computer and Install It”

May 13 – John Foliot: “Stanford Online Accessibility Program”

HIKING

IAN THOMSON 650-967-0474
IanTDianeT (atsign) sbcglobal.net

4th Friday, April 24 at 9:30am

Wives and guests welcome! RAIN ON HIKE DAY CANCELS

Pacheco State Park, Santa Clara County

The hike will be about 6.5 miles (round trip) with an elevation gain of 900 ft. This is a park noted for its wildflowers. The hike will start with a climb in open grasslands and then go to the top of Spike's Peak. Our return trip will be on a trail that works its way through grassland, hills, and ravines with wildflowers.

Take Highway 101 (or 85 & 101) south toward Gilroy. Go east on Highway 152 to the Pacheco Pass. At the pass look for Dinosaur Point Road just past the truck pullout at the summit. Go right about 900 feet and then turn right into the park. Driving time will be about one hour and 15 minutes from your house.

Bring a lunch or snack and water.

Layered clothing and hiking boots are recommended.

An extra pair of shoes might be handy after the hike.

\$7 Park fee, or State Park Pass, per car. Carpooling encouraged.

BIKING

JERRY BUTLER 650-494-8078
GXB366 (atsign) aol.com

2nd Thursday — April 9, 11:00am

Wives & guests welcome! RAIN CANCELS - HELMET REQUIRED

Foster City Bay Trail

We will ride the flat Foster City Bay Trail for about 10 miles from Oracle to the Poplar Creek Golf Club at Coyote Point for lunch, and then return (approximately 20 miles round trip). Dress for wind.

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 that parking lot 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.

To ride, contact me (above) or Tom Gregory, 650-493-8894, tgreg (atsign) surfree.com.

PLAY BALL!

In the Big Inning, God created baseball. Since then, twenty baseball

terms have been broken in two. Can you put them back together?

dod	ple	pen	fast	ire	tri	pit	strike
ball	dou	cher	der	gers	mer	field	sin
ter	ees	out	inn	ball	out	bas	ble
cat	gle	cher	sli	ho	ball	ump	field
park	bat	in	es	ing	fly	yank	bull

Solution is on back page – No peeking!

GOLF

BOB GARTEN, GOLF CHAIRMAN
408-253-5860 xonon1 (atsign) comcast.net

(Golf Committee members are listed in the Membership Roster, p. 7)

SIGN-UP at the April 15 Luncheon for the following:

Ridgemark - D (RMD) (cart, prize)	Mon May 4	10:06	\$41
Wilson/Barkey 408-996-0689			
San Ramon (SRM) (cart)	Mon May 11	9:30	\$47
Griffin/Newton 408-736-5710			
San Juan Oaks (SJO) - Skins (cart)	Thu May 14	9:00	\$66
Wilson/Grace 408-996-0689			
Sunol - Cypress (SNC) (cart, prize)	Tue May 19	9:00	\$45
Cleveland/Berglund 408-720-8635			
Los Lagos (LLS) Eclectic 5 (cart, prize)	Thu May 21	9:30	\$40
Cooke/Grace 408-997-0511			
Santa Clara (SCL) - Orion	Wed May 27	9:30	\$38
Bays/Edwards/Nix 408-249-4528			

Shoreline**March 10**

FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET	FLT 3	NET	PRIZE
Scherer P	64	Squellati D	72	Hall B	75	\$18GC + \$9
Edwards G	70	Gerich J	72	Lintz D	76	\$23GC
Pittman R	73	Grace R	74	Scott D	77	\$18GC
Wilson D	74	Feild D	75	Bray D	77	\$15GC
Grundy J	4-7	Shigemoto F	12-3	Kopeck R	5-7	2GB
Wilson D	21-9	Grace R	22-1	Hall B	32-1	1GB

Low Gross: Paul Scherer 82

Santa Clara March 16

FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET	FLT 3	NET	FLT 4	NET	PRZ
Mattson D	67	Shigemoto	70	Schwalbach	69	Kinsch M	65	\$20
Kendrick B	69	Pittman R	71	Berglund D	70	Wong J	67	\$15
Garten B	71	Griffin N	73	Gerich J	71	Maness D	68	\$9
Cooper J	72	Squellati D	73	Scott D	74	Lintz D	70	\$5
Edwards G	16-8	Pittman R	15-8	Gerich J	13-4			2GB
Cleveland B	17-2	Parra A	18-1	Wehrman M	18-4			1GB

Low Gross: Don Mattson, John Cooper 86

Los Lagos March 19 Eclectic 4

FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET	FLT 3	NET	FLT 4	NET	PRZ
Edwards G	64	Barkey S	67	Firpo B	64	Nix K	67	
Cooke G	66	Grace R	67	Fair B	66	Lintz D	68	
Kendrick B	68	Pittman R	69	MacIntosh J	67	Hall B	69	
Dixon H	69	Parra A	70	Schwalbach	67	Wong J	70	
Grundy J	11-1			Killian J	16-7			2GB
				Simpson D	19-2			1GB

Low Gross: George Cooke 79

Poppy Ridge March 23 Best 2 of 4

Player 1	Player 2	Player 3	Player 4	Score	PRZ
Mattson D	Thomson I	Barnhart T	Grundy J	128	\$12
Newton K	Garten B	Schlatter J	Barkey S	131	\$9
Grace R	Wilson D	Dixon H	Jonekait J	131	\$7
McNamara B	Piazza R	Cooke G	McFerran D	132	\$5
Jonekait J	19-0	McFerran D	5-3		2GB
		McNamara B	19-9		1GB

Low Gross: Jay Jonekait 89

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Baseball terms: Dodgers, fastball, batter, catcher, ballpark, double, Yankees, single, bullpen, pitcher, infield, slider, inning, bases, umpire, homer, triple, flyball, strikeout, outfield

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WELL & COMFORT WISHERS: Death or illness of a fellow SIR should be reported to **Howard Nelson at 408-264-0798** or by email to **hgnnnn (atsign) yahoo.com**. He will express concerns of our Branch. Memorial announcements will be communicated immediately among members by e-mail for further dissemination among friends of the deceased.



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E-mail addresses in e-TT

It has been pointed out to the Editor that e-mail addresses in online documents can be accessed by internet n'er-do-wells using search engines to generate mailing lists for sending spam and malware. One deterrent (not guaranteed) to such detection is to avoid using the "@" symbol, since that is a common marker used by the "bots" to find e-mail addresses. The alternative notation, replacing the "@" with "(atsign)", is surely less elegant and may be confusing to some readers. As such, it may be a step backward in clarity of communication to Branch 35 members who use e-TT. For that reason, the paper version of Trail Tips will retain the standard format for e-mail addresses.

Wherever "(atsign)" appears in e-TT, it must be replaced with "@" to create a usable e-mail address. Chairmen of the various Branch activities whose addresses appear regularly in Trail Tips will be offered the option of having their e-mail addresses appear in the standard format in e-TT, thus assuming whatever level of risk they perceive would accompany that decision.

A consequence of this situation is that the paper and electronic versions of Trail Tips will not be strictly the same. However, both of them will be published with the same spirit!

As always, your comments are welcome.

*Jim Schlatter, Editor
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**Next Meeting
Wednesday, April 15, 2015
I.F.E.S Hall, 358 Stierlin Road
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