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Sons in Retirement, Inc.

Mission Trail Branch 35

Los Altos, California

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May 2010

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, May 19, I.F.E.S. Hall

Social Hour 11am – Lunch 12pm

Please, ***if bringing a guest OR not attending,***

CALL 650-823-0702 or E-MAIL sir35notify@gmail.com

by SUNDAY, May 16 (leave name and badge #).

Thanks --- we need this information **early!**

PROGRAM

Speaker: Charles Watson, Senior VP, i2inc

**Topic: “Connecting the Dots —
The Technology Battle for Intelligence”**

Since 9/11, with the Nigerian attempted bombing of a Detroit-destined airplane from the Netherlands, there seems to be little or no progress in integrating many extremely large databases without the delays of human intervention. But real progress is being made at all levels – local, regional, national, and international.

Software for intelligence-led operations empowers government agencies and private sector businesses to investigate, predict, prevent, and disrupt the world's most sophisticated criminal and terrorist activities. The key success factors are accessing and sharing data, streamlining policy, and empowering everyone in the analytical and investigative lifecycle to be an enabler. The resulting enhanced speed and accuracy of decisions will be illustrated with examples from the U.S. and the Middle East.

Charles Watson, a 20-year industry veteran, is a leading expert in enterprise software marketing and sales. He is responsible for global marketing for i2, the world's leading provider of investigative and analytical software solutions for defense, national security, law enforcement, and private sector businesses.

UPCOMING SPEAKER

**June 16: Tom Ravenelle, Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation -- San Francisco
“The FBI World -- Experiences in Actual Major Cases”**

July 21: Picnic – Details in next month's Trail Tips

\$19 MENU \$19

Chicken Marino and Beef al Tequila
Mexican Rice, Refried Beans, Vegetables
Salad, Rolls, Dessert, & Coffee
Vegetarian by Reservation Only

Terry Barnhart: 408-738-0891; terry.b2007@sbcglobal.net

The Big Sir Says . . .

As you all know, I have been focusing on the importance of membership growth in order to sustain the success of our branch. Well, I just received a letter from Buck Kendrick, SIR Inc. President (and a member of Branch 35), stressing exactly this point. He cited some disturbing facts. The total membership of all SIR branches has declined from its peak of about 32,000 in 1992 to about 20,000 at the end of 2009, a decline of 38%. The average rate of membership decline has been about 4% per year since 2001, independent of branch size. Thirty branches have closed since 1999. To reverse this trend, the SIR Board of Directors has passed a resolution that sets an annual goal for inducting new members in each branch to at least equal 10% of its total membership. This is an educated estimate of the number needed to stabilize membership, thereby offsetting resignations and deaths.

So how is Branch 35 doing? At the end of last year we had 346 active members, so the SIR Inc. new member induction goal for us this year is 35. In the first four months of this year we have inducted 26 new members, a rate comfortably above the 10% target. And we had 15 guests at the April luncheon who will, hopefully, join up. As of the end of April we have 361 active members, meaning that we are holding our own thus far. But, with eight months to go, we can't declare victory yet.

I want to thank the members who have brought in the increased number of guests at our luncheons thus far this year -- such efforts have been vital to the good progress we have been making in inducting new members. Please keep up the good work. And if you haven't brought a guest to one of our luncheons lately, it's time to get cracking!

One last reminder: Printed paper copies of the June Trail Tips will be sent ONLY to those members (to date, 57) who have asked to “Stay Gray” and to those (45) who do not have an e-mail address in our membership roster. As this May issue goes to press, 61 e-mail capable members have not registered their preference. If you are one of them, please e-mail Arden Anderson (ardenanderson@sbcglobal.net) with your choice of paper or electronic Trail Tips. Thanks.

Ken

ANNUAL BRANCH 35 PICNIC ON JULY 21
BBQ Food, Entertainment, Spouses & Guests
Join us – It's the place to be!

Active
361

ROSTERCHANGES

Inactive
14

NEW MEMBERS

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Jim Balanesi 500 South Winchester Blvd.
408-244-0262 San Jose 95128

BIRTHDAYS – MAY

Lyle Akey	John Irving	Bob Paine
Steve Andre	Klaus Jaeger	Bill Palmer
Jim Balanesi	Joe Killian	Alan Purchase
Dallas Denery	Mike Kinsch	Rich Rowland
Pat Fisher	Ron Lau	Rich Scholz
Bob Garten	Rich Marconi	Bob Schwehr
Don Gfroerer	Austin Marx	Larry Wright
John Goldsborough	Bill Masters	Mike Wytyshyn
Bill Hall	Art McGill	Dan Zemanek
Mike Heeger	Bob McKenzie	

ANNIVERSARIES: 10+ YEARS IN BRANCH 35

Ed Hoover	27	Alan Purchase	12
Harry Berland	21	Tom Kanetake	11
Richard James	16	Don Thomas	11
Bob Wagner	14	Al Marston	10
Steve Andre	13		

TRAIL BIRDS

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

JOIN OUR SINGING –

Rehearsals 2nd Wednesdays (May 12)

10:00am --- Choir Room, Los Altos Methodist Church
Pre-Meeting Rehearsal – 11:00am, IFES Hall

BOOK SWAP

PAUL SCHERER 408-773-2772

Social Hour before monthly Luncheon – 11:00am

Bring a few (place on right-hand end of table) and take a few – FREE!

Featured this month: J.A. Jance is the author of two bestselling series – the J.P. Beaumont Mysteries and the Joanna Brady Mysteries – as well as several mores series and novels.

BIKING

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

2nd Thursday — May 13, 11:00am

Wives & guests welcome **RAIN CANCELS - HELMET REQUIRED**

Los Gatos Creek Trail

We will ride the rolling Los Gatos Creek Trail for about 7.5 miles from Blackford School to the town of Los Gatos for lunch, then ride back for a total of about 15 miles.

Go South on I-280 (past Highway 17) to Meridian; turn right. Go to Willow Street (the second stoplight); turn right. Take Willow until it dead-ends at Blackford Elementary School. Parking is available in the school parking lot and on neighborhood streets.

To ride, contact me (above) or Karl Reseck, 650-941-8837, karl.reseck(atsign)*stanfordalumni.org.

COMPUSIR

JIM DINKEY 650-223-7118
jimdinkey(atsign)*jimdinkey.com

Second Wednesdays, 12:30pm

Los Altos American Legion Hall

May 12 - Kevin Lynn, Leader, Windows Special Interest Group
Topic: MS Office 2010 Suite (Beta) – Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook, InfoPath, One Note, and SharePoint
ALSO - Don Heinsen, Manager, CompNet Services
Topic: Experience with network-oriented features

MACINTOSH GROUP

SKIP ROSS 650-941-0423
waross@closereach.com

Contact Skip Ross to join an e-mail group where SIR members in all branches share Mac-related news, questions, and experiences.

TRAVEL

ED PAUSA 650-324-0322
clements.e.pausa(atsign)*us.pwc.com

The first mission of your new Branch 35 Travel Team is to offer members a greater variety of travel options. We have started with a trial affiliation with the Area 5 & 20 Coordinated Travel Committee in order to offer members the choice of more than a dozen trips or one-day outings for 2010. The Travel Bulletin describing the current offerings is available at the luncheon Travel Table or on our website: <http://www.closereach.com/sir/newsletters/travel1004.pdf>. Please review the Bulletin and let us know what you think of it and about your recent travel experiences. We welcome your comments!

BOWLING

ART ENGLAND 650-948-5828
anm_eng(atsign)*att.net

EVERY TUESDAY at 1:00pm - Practice lanes available at 12:50pm
HOMESTEAD LANES, HOMESTEAD & STELLING, SUNNYVALE

Join us for the Spring/Summer Tournament!

(Please phone Art in advance if you are a newcomer.)

Winter Tournament Results

	First	Second	Third
Scratch Game:	Chuck Huff	Jeff Bundy	Dick Frakes
Scratch Series:	Bill Nye	Tim Eastham	John Snyder
Handicap Game:	Bob Taggart	Bill Webster	Earl Pampeyan
Handicap Series:	Fred Schwalbach	Art England	Arnie Satterlee

Team Winners

- 1st: Chuck Huff, Earl Pampeyan, Alan Goudy
2nd: Dick Frakes, Art England
3rd: John Snyder, Bob Taggart, Bill Finkemeier
4th: Tim Eastham, Roy Robinson, Jeff Bundy

Top Handicapped Series on last tournament day

1 st : Chuck Huff	630	4 th : Bill Webster	589
2 nd : Bob Taggart	611	5 th : Arnie Satterlee	577
3 rd : Bill Nye	603		

HIKING

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

4th Friday, May 28 at 9:30am

Wives and guests welcome! **RAIN ON HIKE DAY CANCELS**

Morgan Territory Regional Preserve, Contra Costa County (part of East Bay Regional Park District)

The hike will be about 5.5 miles (round trip) with an elevation gain of 300 ft. The hike will be in open grasslands and oak-covered hillsides. We will be just south of Mount Diablo and will have a vista of the East Bay hills and the central valley. Restrooms at trailhead.

From east-bound Interstate 580 in Livermore, take the North Livermore exit and go north on North Livermore Ave. for about 4 miles. The road then turns left (west) and becomes Manning Road. Go 0.4 miles, turn right onto Morgan Territory Rd., and go 6.3 miles north to the park entrance. Caution: Much of Morgan Territory Rd. is single lane with soft shoulders. Driving time will be about 70 minutes from your house.

- Bring a lunch or snack and water.
- Layered clothing and hiking boots are recommended.
- No park fees. **Carpools are encouraged.**

TENNIS

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

Every Monday and Thursday, starting at 8:00am

Rinconada Park courts-Embarcadero Road at Hopkins Avenue, Palo Alto.

FISHING

FRED COPE III 650-493-4604

Ocean salmon are scarce, but there are striped bass and halibut in the Bay waiting for fishermen. Phone Fred to join him on a boat.

A golfer may think he is concentrating hard when he is merely worrying. ~Bobby Jones

GOLF

BOB GARTEN, GOLF CHAIRMAN
408-253-5860 xonon1@comcast.net

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

SIGN-UP at the May 19 Luncheon for the following:

Callippe Preserve (CPR) (cart)	Thu Jun 3	10:28	\$50
<i>Wilson (408-996-0689) & Barkey (408-996-3133)</i>			
Monarch Bay (MNB) (cart)	Mon Jun 7	10:00	\$43
<i>Griffin (408-735-5710) & Lintz (408-245-3332)</i>			
Presidio (cart, range)	Thu Jun 10	10:57	\$70
<i>Schlatter (650-234-1133) & Squellati (408-245-3787)</i>			
Crystal Springs (CSP) (cart)	Mon Jun 14	9:30	\$49
<i>Wylie (650-967-4104) & Hughey (408-736-0969)</i>			
Tilden (TLD) (cart)	Mon Jun 21	11:00	\$42
<i>Cooke (408-997-0511) & Lintz (408-245-3332)</i>			
Eagle Ridge (ERG) 2-Man 1-BB (cart)	Thu Jun 24	10:26	\$60
<i>Naughton (408-257-3597) & Pittman (650-961-4426)</i>			
Sunnyvale (SVL)	Mon Jun 28	9:30	\$40
<i>Berglund (408-732-1183) & Cleveland (408-720-8635)</i>			

Los Lagos		April 8		Eclectic 3	
FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET	FLT 3	NET
Fair B	63	Mason J	62	Maness D	59
Thomson I	68	Edwards G	62	Young B	67
Nelson H	69	Larson G	63	McQuiston E	68
Pittman R	71	McNamara B	68	Bays D	69
Fair B	21-9	Mason J	34-8	Kinsch M	39-2
Petersen H	26-3	Edwards G	42-1	Lintz D	56-3
Low Gross: Boyd Fair 84					

Los Lagos		3-Round Eclectic Final						
FLT	\$50GC	NET	\$35GC	NET	\$23GC	NET	\$10 GC	NET
1	Jones K	60	Garten B	60	Schlatter J	61	Taboada T	61
2	Mattson D	56	Dixon H	56	Grundy J	59	Thomson I	59
3	Squellati D	58	Edwards G	58	Nelson H	58	Shigemoto	60
4	Mason J	54	Holman J	57	Larson G	58	Simpson D	62
5	Barnhart T	58	McQuiston	60	Bays D	60	Maness D	61

Laguna Seca		April 19		Shamble	
PLAYER 1	PLAYER 2	PLAYER 3	PLAYER 4	Score	PRZ
Cooke G	Piazza R	McNamara B	Barnhart T	111	\$18GC
Bailey L-\$12GC	Grace R-\$12GC	Schlatter-\$9GC+\$3	Masters B-\$12	112	As noted
Firpo B	Wong J	Hall B	Machado P	113	\$8
Nelson H	Mason J	McQuiston E	Newton K	113	\$4
Bailey L, Grace R, Wong J: 2GB		Masters B, Barnhart T, Larson G: 1GB			

Silver Creek Valley		April 22			
FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET		PRZ
Cooke G	69	Pittman R	69		\$24
Jonekait J	69	Feild D	70		\$19
Thomson I	72	McFerran D	76		\$13
Schlatter J	73	Nakamoto R	77		\$8
Bailey L	9-7	McFerran D	28-11		2GB
Piazza R	18-1	Pittman R	34-11		1GB
Low Gross: Jim Schlatter 82					

Aptos Seascap		April 26			
FLT 1	NET	FLT 2	NET	FLT 3	NET
Cleveland B	72	Dixon H	64	Barnhart T	68
Cooke G	72	Gerich J	69	Mason J	73
Garten B	73	Pittman R	73	Young B	74
Naughton M	76	McNamara B	75	Kopeck D	75
Jonekait J	33-7	Gerich J	21-3	Kinsch M	83
Bailey L	34-8	Grace R	31-10		
Low Gross: George Cooke 88		Extras: Barkey, Scardino, Cleveland 1GB			

We cannot do everything at once, but we can do something at once. ~Calvin Coolidge

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Golf	Bob Garten	408-253-5860
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Assistant	Dave Scott	408-946-5596
Hiking	Ian Thomson	650-967-0474
Tennis	Bill Schick	650-948-8768
Travel	Ed Pausa	650-324-0322
Assistant	Walter Weber	408-371-8925
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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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