



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 Elks' Lodge,
444 West Alma Avenue, San Jose, CA 95110

Branch Executive Committee Meeting - 10:00 AM,
Fellowship - 11:00 AM, Luncheon - 11:45 AM



Big Sir Message January 2022

Happy New Year to you all !! Trying to keep things as normal as possible, we are going to have our luncheon as planned on Tuesday , January 18th at 11:30 for social time and lunch at 12:00 or so. BUT according to state sir guidelines, we now must wear a mask during social time, off when eating and drinking, but replace the masks when listening to the speaker. Even though we have all had our booster shots.

The BEC will meet at 10:00 o'clock. All this will take place at the Holder's Country Inn at 998 South De Anza Boulevard, San Jose. Luncheon will have a choice of : sea bass or chicken cordon bleu or rib eye steak or yankee pot roast. You can have any drink that the restaurant has to offer - it's included (except liquor - which you have to pay for). Looking forward to seeing you there.

Ed Shpiel (big sir)

Executive Committee

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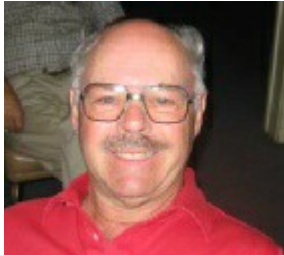
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Branch 94 Meeting

January 18/ 2022 11:30 AM
 Holder's County Inn
 998 S DeAnza Blvd
 San Jose, Ca

Speaker:	
Topic	
Menu:	Four choices: Sea Bass, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Yankee Pot Roast, Ribeye Steak



**Treasurer's Report
Submitted by
Neil Keever**

	Union Bank	COH	Total
Carry Over	\$2235.27	\$75.00	\$2310.27
November Income:			
Luncheon Receipts	\$868.00		
Christmas Luncheon	\$448.00		
Dues	\$10.00		
November Expenses:			
Luncheon	\$896.00		
November Ending Balance	\$2665.27	\$75.00	\$2740.27
December Income:			
Christmas Luncheon	\$364.00		
December Expenses:			
Christmas Luncheon	\$1092.00		
December Ending Balance	1937.27	\$75.00	\$2012.27

December Birthdays

Louie Deanda	Bob Nulk
Bob Renfer	Ted Head
Andy La Scola	Don Slama
Jim Moritz	George Langedys
Dan Patterson	Jim Zalesny

December Anniversaries

Bernie & Shirley Turner
John & Nanci Melton
Tim & Cookie Ruschin
Tom & Joanne White
Parker & Sue Willey

January Birthdays

Chuck McCoy	Paul Berg
Jim Porter	Rex Upp
Charles Camilleri	

January Anniversaries

Don & Rose Dennis
Bob & Judy Kuechler
Louie & Irene Deanda
Dan & Yvonne Thery
Mike & Lek Sinnott

Please note: The Birthday and Anniversary lists are based upon the March 2021 roster. I apologize for any errors or omissions.
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An Open Letter to SIR Branch 94 Executives from Pastor William (Bill) J. Hooper

November 5, 2021

With sorrow I write this letter of resignation. After twenty one years of service and fulfillment I feel the necessity to step down.

Serving two years as Big Sir, back in 2010 and 2011, was a happy and fulfilling time. I will miss you all very much.

Doing the invocations all these years and telling a couple of jokes each month, I know I'm going to miss this a lot. But time and people must sometimes move on.

The Covid pandemic has changed a lot of things. The Elks Club going down for remodeling also has changed SIRs a bunch. The parking (\$8.00) and the luncheon cost of \$25.00 has added to my overall assessment of the situation.

Perhaps most of all (this of course is for selfish reasons) I will miss the SIRs Bowling tournaments. So many personal friends and experiences fill the happy spot in my mind. What a sad letter I'm writing. I'm asking my caller, Darrell Jones, to include this letter in the SIRs Newsletter.

Thank you all for 21 years of happy service and acceptance.

Most Sincerely,
Bill Hooper

Holder's Country Inn map



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Return Service Requested

SIR BRANCH 94 JANUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER



Golf

The first Area 11 Golf Tournament of 2022 will be held at Spring Valley in Milpitas on February 28. The format is medal play by flight. If you wish to play in this local event, please let me know by February 11. The entry fee will be \$65.

Darrell Jones
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An invitation from Ray Gilcrest:

Gentlemen, On March 14th, 2022, I have access to Boulder Ridge CC, that's here in South San Jose. The green fee is \$70.00 which includes cart and range balls and It's a 10:00 shotgun start. If you would like to play, please email me your pairings. After I know what our count will be I will need to collect the green fee to hold the spots. If for any reason players have to cancel, they can get a refund until the end of Feb. 28th. I have to give the course a player count and payment on the 1st. of April. We will be playing alongside Branch35. We have filled approximately 60 spots out of a possible 140.

Thanks in advance,
Ray

If you wish to play in this informal event, please let me know by February 1, or you may contact Ray directly.
-Darrell

Golf Schedule For 2022 Area 11 Monthly Events

To sign up for these events, please contact Darrell Jones (408-262-6273 or dbjs04@sbcglobal.net),

Date / Time	Course / Format	Price / Host(s)
Feb 28, 2022 10:00 AM First tee time	Spring Valley (Milpitas) Medal play by flight	\$65 Darrell Jones (94)
March 28, 2022 10:00 AM First tee time	San Jose Muni	Dan Love (39)