



Make friends for life.

Our next in-person meeting together will be on **September 14th, social time at 11 AM, the meeting will begin at 11:30 AM.** Masking is still recommended.

We had 81 members attending in August! Let's keep that momentum going. Invite a guest, recruit through activities or call friends and encourage them to attend!

Our speakers for the September meeting:



Scott Frandsen, head coach of the Cal men's rowing team. Scott is a three-time Olympian and has been a coach at Cal since 2012. His teams have finished in the top 5 at NCAA national championships every year since joining Cal and the Bears won their 18th national title in 2022.



Al Alcosta, head coach of Cal's women's rowing team, who has led the women's program for seven seasons, has secured two national championships while at Cal and was named Coach of the Year in 2008.

We believe you will enjoy learning more about their Crew Teams and rowing which first became a collegiate sport in the United States in 1843.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We will induct our 2023 Officers and Directors!

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Big Sir: Steve Behnke

Little Sir: Rich Larsen

Treasurer: Ed Protiva

Assistant Treasurer: Rich Carmel

Secretary: Steve Patton

Assistant Secretary: Chris Harnett

Director: John Erickson (year 2 of 3)

Director: David Zeimer (year 3 of 3)

Director: Marty Aufhauser (year 1)

Director: Mike Merchant (year 2 of 3)

Director: Ed McBride (year 1)

Director: Brian Morris (year 1)

Director: Ralph Blumenthal (year 2)

BIRTHDAYS! The prize is a free lunch (YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!)

Ed Beatson, Ralph Blumenthal, David Byrens, Michael Chinn, Al Donner, Marv Ellenberg, Fred George, Ken Haley, Chuck Healy, George Henrich, Steve Hunt, Bob Krompholz, Monty Logan, Bill Lund, Bob Mayne, George McLain, Rick Sauve, Gary Sylvern, Kurt Teichmann, Fred Tuemmler, Sal Zammitti



Happy 90th birthday to Ralph Blumenthal! Born and raised in San Francisco. After serving in the Navy, he turned to teaching and eventually as a vice-principal and administrator.

He's served in many capacities in SIR, including Big SIR of Branch 171 in 2017 and is currently serving as director.

He also loves anything to do with politics, playing poker and bocce ball, seeing good movies and plays, reading good books, exercising, and, of course, traveling as much as possible. Ralph says "retirement life is good!

I've got to agree!

ACTIVITIES REPORT: DAVID ZEIMER**

Historical Outings: Ken Fischer/Jim Kline

August 31st visit to The Moraga Adobe

The Moraga Adobe was built in 1841 by Joaquin Moraga, whose grandfather, Jose, led the de Anza expedition and founded the City of San Jose. Originally part of a 13,000 acre land grant, it was expanded in 1846. The Moraga's left in the 1880's. Recognized as a California State Historic Landmark since 1954, the adobe is being restored to its 1846 configuration. Click here for more information or make a donation: [Adobe History – Friends of the Joaquin Moraga Adobe](#)



Left to right: Bob Meadowcroft Steve Benke, Mike Scrupp, Richard White, Ken Fisher, Steven Patton, Jim Kline, Tom Henry, Howard Harpham and George Barron.



Bocce is on through September (and maybe into October weather permitting). Join us at The Commons Tuesday and Thursday, 10 till noon.

Left to right: Steven Patton, John Riordan (BR 146), Marty Aufhouser, Allan Zackler, George Adranly, Larry Monin, Mike Merchant and Gary Irwin.

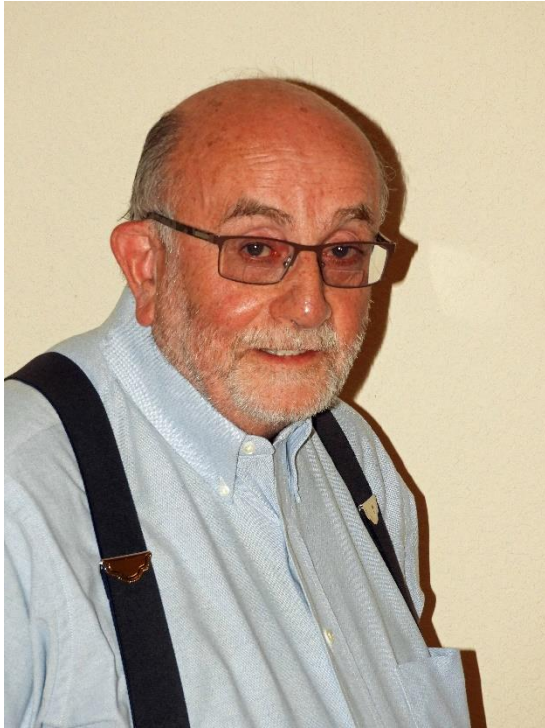
If you'd like a representative picture and description of your activity in the newsletter, please send them to steven_patton@hotmail.com.

**If anyone is interested in chairing an activity, please contact David Zeimer (dzeimer12@gmail.com).

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: ED DRAISIN

Prior Month:	237
Inductees:	0
Deductions:	2
Total, This Month	235

Our newest member: Howard Tevelson



Howard comes to us from Philadelphia via Oakland. He's worked as a buyer for government, including City of San Francisco and is now semi-retired.

Like me, he came for bocce and is staying for the fellowship. Please welcome our newest member, Hoeward Tevelson!

TREASURER'S REPORT: ED PROTIVA

Beginning:	\$7950.47
Receipts:	\$1705.00
Disbursements:	\$1715.43
Balance:	\$6937.80

WELLNESS REPORT: STEVEN PATTON***

No news is good news!

*** Please try to contact SIR's with illnesses to offer your support and encouragement and keep them in our thoughts and prayers. A friendly call is welcome. Cards and letters are always appreciated.

*** **Please contact Steven Patton, steven_patton@hotmail.com**, if you are aware of a passing, injury, or illness of a member.

Also enjoy reading SIR Happenings, our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can find the most recent edition of SIR Happenings on our SIR State website -- click on the following link, or cut and paste the link into your browser to view -
- www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/.