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Sons in Retirement, Inc.

Mission Trail Branch 35

Los Altos, California

Branch 35 web site: www.sirinc2.org/branch35/

March, 2021

— NEXT MEETING —

3rd Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Social Time 11:45am

Business 12:30pm, Speaker 12:45pm

VIA ZOOM MEETING

Zoom instructions will be sent via email before the meeting.

PROGRAM

Speaker: *Angela McConnel, Exec. Director, Montalvo Arts Center*

Topic: *Art In The Times of Chaos*



Angela McConnel will share how deeply the pandemic has impacted the arts as a sector as well as the artists, and how creativity and innovation have given way to inspiring resilience and hope. She will also give a brief history about Montalvo; how and when it was founded, the Lucas Artists Residency, its multidisciplinary programs and themes, and upcoming projects, programs, and events that they are looking forward to.

For the past 12 years, Angela has served as the Chief Executive of Montalvo Arts Center, a multidisciplinary arts center and artist residency located in Saratoga, California. She is passionate about the importance that access to and engagement in the arts and creativity has on individual wellbeing and success, as well as its critical role in communities and in society.

Prior to arriving at Montalvo, McConnel served as Executive Director of the Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) in Mountain View. In this role, McConnel spearheaded a \$12.4 million capital campaign, which led to the construction of CSMA's first permanent facility and established it as one of the 10 largest community schools of its kind in the nation.

McConnel grew up in Bedford, New York. She received a B.A. in Psychology with a minor in Music and Art History from Manhattanville College in New York, and an M.A. in Nonprofit Administration from the University of San Francisco. She lives in Los Altos with her three children.

The Big Sir Says . . .

Reopening Outdoor Activities - The SIR State Board and our Branch Executive Committee have approved reopening of outdoor activities including: golf tournaments, hiking, biking and bocce ball. This is great news after months of stay-at-home orders. Our Golf Committee quickly adapted our protocols to comply with all regulations and tournament play has resumed. The Biking group published the new protocols and scheduled a ride along the Bayshore. Bocce Ball and Hiking groups are jumping into action. Watch for announcements in Trail Tips and emails.



Breakout Rooms - From 11:45 until 12:30 prior to our regular meetings, Breakout Room conversations are growing in participation. In February, we had about 60 members joining in these conversations now that you can join them easily by logging onto the main meeting on Zoom and then selecting any of the Breakout Rooms with a couple of simple clicks. Breakout Room topics include: Gardening, Photography, Movie Reviews, Biking, Bocce Ball, Trail Birds and Wayfarers (Loral alumni). New groups can easily be formed on any topic we can imagine. Just send me an email with your suggestions and we will make it happen.

Annual Audit - Thanks to Gerry Feeney and Ron Lau for conducting our annual audit of the books for the branch including the golf financial transactions. They report that we are following all of the appropriate guidelines for tracking financial activity and that we have the funds necessary to keep our branch strong.

Recruiting New Members - It was great to see that we welcomed four new members to Branch 35 in February. This is a great time to invite guests to our Zoom Meetings so they can get a sense of what Branch 35 is all about. To invite a guest, just forward the link to the meeting when you receive it a few days prior to the March meeting. If you send me an email with the name of your guest, we will introduce him during the meeting.

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MARCH 2021 ROSTER

Active Members: 335 **Net Monthly Change: +3**

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MARCH ANNIVERSARIES: 10+ YEARS

Skip Ross	24	Carl Plescia	14
Don Lintz	21	Jim Harvey	14
Gary Larson	21	Les Fisher	14
Ben Director	21	Don Cameron	13
Bob Willwerth	20	Howard Bull	12
Robert Pittman	20	Tom Smith	11
Ian Band	19	Bob Jones	11
Jim Holman	16	David Falconer	11
Arden Anderson	16		

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Russ Ayres	Bob Hedges	Gene Opine
Terry Barnhart	Dick Heiman	Pete Peterson
Kishen Bhagavan	Dirk Hoekstra	Paul Schutz
Leonard Chan	Jim Holman	Bob Steinberg
John Daines	Rick McColloch	Ray Taylor
Don Gladstone	Joe Miller	Ian Thomson
Ron Grace	Roy Mize	Phil Vanderwerf
French Harris	Dick Morris	Milt Wehrman

February Virtual Birthday Winner
Jerry Belden

Breakout Rooms:

A new way to join Small Social Groups at our monthly Zoom lunch meetings.

Many of you have been attending our monthly Zoom lunch meetings over the last nine months. Since August we have also been holding Small Social Group meetings before the main meeting. For the February Zoom lunch, we plan to try something new for these. Instead of having to join a different Zoom meeting before the main meeting, you will just join the main meeting at 11:45am (or later) and choose the Social Group (Breakout Room) you would like to attend. If you don't want to go to a Breakout Room, you can just stay in the main meeting and chat with the people who are there. **However, there is something very important that we need you to do:**

Please update your Zoom client software to the latest version.


The reason for this is that if your client version is not **5.3.0 or higher**, you will not be able to choose the Breakout Room you wish to go to yourself, and the Zoom hosts will have to interact with you to help you get there. This will be very distracting for those who just want to stay in the main meeting.

If you don't know how to update your Zoom client, please watch this video:

<https://youtu.be/E7zERcVLUBM>

The video applies to Desktops and Laptops, but for mobile devices, you will need to go to the App Store (for Apple) or Google Play (for Android) and check for an update.

If you have the updated client software version, when you join the meeting you will see an icon for Breakout Rooms in your meeting controls (at the bottom of the screen for Desktops and Laptops or at the left for Mobile devices).

The icon looks like this:  Click (or tap) it and a list of the available Breakout Rooms will be shown.

Click **Join** next to the Breakout Room you wish to participant in, and confirm by clicking **Yes** in the popup (or for Mobile devices, tap to select the room, then tap **Join**).

Repeat this if you would like to join a different breakout room, or click **Leave Room** to return to the main meeting session. The Zoom host will close all the breakout rooms just before 12:30pm and everyone will return to the main meeting automatically.

One more request. **Please make sure that you log into your Zoom client with your email address and password before you join the Zoom meeting.** This will make it easier for us to take attendance for the meeting, because your email address will be saved along with your screen name.

If you have read this far, thank you very much! I hope you enjoy the February Zoom lunch and the new Breakout Rooms.

Richard Blackborow
(Technology Director)

Member Profile

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This monthly article highlights one of our branch members. We hope that you enjoy knowing a little more about your fellow members and the interesting life they have had. If you have someone you would like to nominate or if you would like to help author an article, please email ron.nakamoto@yahoo.com.

Terry L. Barnhart



Did you know that I am a Numismatist (*i.e.*, *Coin Collector*)? I started my hobby collecting at age nine with Lincoln pennies and Buffalo nickels. I continued into my teen years collecting Jefferson nickels, Roosevelt dimes, Washington quarters, and Franklin half dollars. In 1965 the federal government stopped minting silver coins and started removing all silver coins from circulation. I immediately started purchasing silver coins from coin bid boards to complete my collection of every US mint (San Francisco, Denver, Philadelphia) penny, nickel, dime, quarter, and half dollar from 1934 to 1964. I still have these and hundreds more.

I was born and raised in Kansa City, Kansas, the youngest of five children and the only boy. I grew up telling everyone I had five mothers. I learned early to say yes ma'am and yes sir which came in handy when I joined the U.S. Air Force later as an enlisted Airman. Both my parents were born and raised on farms. After marriage, my father worked for Phillips Petroleum, and my mother managed the kids and home. My neighborhood was filled with mostly boys, so we were always outside playing whatever sport was in season. I spent many a cold winter day indoors, going through rolls of pennies and nickels looking to complete my initial coin collection. Needless to say, I was the first person in my Boy Scout Troop to earn the Coin Collecting Merit Badge. I attended Wyandotte High School and lettered in football and track and also had time to play intramural basketball. As a member of the "Strip Teasers" hot rod club, I spent many weekends at our local drag strip cheering on our club's '34 Ford Roadster. I graduated from the University of Kansas with a Bachelor of Science Degree with a double major in Business Administration and Accounting in 1964. As the first in my family to graduate from college my entire family showed up to celebrate with me.

My professional work history started when I was hired into a three-year Business Management Training Program at Western Electric Company (a manufacturing subsidiary of the AT&T Bell System) in Lee's Summit, MO. The interview required a degree in Business Administration or Accounting, and I had both. This job offer was important to me as it was only

thirty miles from our family home. However, in 1966 I was classified 1A by the local draft board, but my Western Electric work sponsor convinced me to join the Air Force Reserve for a six-month active duty and a five-year reserve commitment. I enlisted in the Air Force and was later trained as an E-8 (master sergeant in charge), Management Analysis Technician. My job was to track and report Pilot Flight Hours, plus compute Base Civilian Payroll. It was with payroll computation where I discovered computers. I found using the base computer to calculate and print weekly payroll details took minutes vs. hours of manual computations and once the program was verified it would always be correct. I was good at it and after returning to Western Electric, I requested a transfer to Computer Programming, where I spent several years converting manual manufacturing and accounting functions to computerized programs. Another huge time and money saving program revision was the purchase and inventory system conversion to an on-line entry and update system (a pioneering program advancement at the time). In 1976 I was 1 of 7 Western Electric programmers across the US chosen as one of the first Information Technology Auditors, reporting to AT&T Corporate. The select team was chosen to verify efficient and standardized computer system operations across the United States and my territory was the midwestern states. Our team's audits and advice resulted in standardized system operations across all AT&T Information Technology Operations.

I proved very good at this new auditing field, and was promoted and transferred to Sunnyvale, CA to head the Auditing Departments in the AT&T Western Region to include the Mountain Region in Denver, CO. This promotion allowed me the required free time to start managing and coaching my son's Little League (LL) Baseball team. My very first LL baseball player drafted was Jason Davis (son of Sir Jim Davis, my golfing partner). I coached LL for 8 years, and the Davis's and other team parents have remained lifelong friends. After eight years, my AT&T job was interrupted by the US Government's breakup of AT&T Bell System into seven separate Regional Holding Companies in 1984. Consolidation of regional workloads caused the eventual closure of the Sunnyvale Western Region in 1989. I chose to take a service pension with life-time health benefits rather than relocate my family to the Denver, CO Mountain Region. With large, multi-site computer operations experience it was not long before I was hired as a Senior Information Auditor for Lockheed Corporation in Sunnyvale, CA. My specialty at Lockheed was Data Center Security which involved regular travel to over 30 LM locations in various states and Canada. With my Top-Secret clearance, I had access to many highly classified programs. This second career was pretty interesting with one of my most memorable assignments involving an audit at the Naval Strategic Weapons Facility in Bangor, WA. The NSWF facility was a nuclear submarine refitting base where I got to physically fondle a nuclear missile.

I was the first Sunnyvale Lockheed Corporation Information Technology Auditor to pass the CISA exam in August 1989. (Editor's note: *Certified Information Systems Auditor* refers to a designation issued by the Information Systems Audit and Control Association.) The designation is the global standard for professionals who have a career in information systems, in particular, auditing, control, and security. To receive a Certified Information Systems Auditor certification, candidates must pass a comprehensive exam and satisfy industry work experience requirements. I was also a founding member of the Silicon Valley (SV) ISACA Chapter established in January 2000. The SV Chapter is today one of the largest ISACA Chapters in the world.

I retired from Lockheed Martin when I was eligible to collect Social Security. Along with my other two pensions and medical benefits I was comfortably set. Four of my regular poker buddies regularly talked about the fun they enjoyed with Sirs which piqued my interest after retirement. I was soon recruited by Roger Piazzi into SIR Branch 35 and can say that I thoroughly enjoy the branch functions and its members.

I met my wife Carolyn at Western Electric in Lee's Summit, MO where I first noticed her as the cute blond in the mini dress



Terry and Carolyn celebrating his birthday in Sausalito working in the Engineering Department. Our first date was a movie (can't remember the title), but I was hooked. We dated for nine months and decided to get married and honeymooned in Hawaii. It was another great life decision as we have been married for some 51 years. We have 3 children and 8 Grandchildren. Our oldest daughter Angela has two boys, lives in Santa Cruz, CA and works for the Scotts Valley Chamber of Conference. Our son Jason has 2 boys and 2 daughters and lives in El Dorado Hills, CA. He is a Financial Manager for Blue Cross of CA. Jason also acts as my Financial Advisor ☺. Our youngest daughter Elizabeth has 1 boy and 1 girl and lives in Los Gatos, CA. She is a Neonatal Nurse at Valley Med Hospital

in Santa Clara, CA.

It was not long after I joined SIR that I was recruited to be the new Luncheon Host. The job was described as a simple task to telephone in the member attendance count for lunch. I soon discovered that my actual duties involved accurately estimating luncheon attendance from inaccurate member callings, which if just passed through could result in excess charges for the branch. Applying my computer and accounting skills, I have been able to develop and update calculations to closely predict attendance figures for each meeting month. After eleven years of service, I can proudly say that our branch has never been penalized for excess meals. As luncheon host, I typically arrive two hours early to check out all preparations to include reserving tables for VIP visitors and guests.

We had lived in our Sunnyvale home for some 34 years before deciding to move to The Villages, a retirement community in the San Jose foothills. My motivation was based on the continuous effort to keep up the general home maintenance, including the backyard swimming pool that was now seldom used. After seven years at The Villages, my wife and I can attest to how wise a decision that was for us. The gated community affords us the security we need and the many facilities (swimming pools, a great library, golf courses, tennis courts, etc.) give us the opportunity for social interactions that we enjoy. For me, the provided exterior maintenance chores frees me up to do other things with my retirement time. We belong to several social clubs at The Villages (there are 60 to choose from) and my wife and I regularly enjoy dining at the Clubhouse, tending our large vegetable garden and enjoying the scenic rolling hills outside our windows. Our favorite travel passion is cruising, where you unpack only once. We have enjoyed over a dozen so far and still counting.

The Covid-19 virus has given me extra time to start selling my coin collection of 60+ years, as none of my kids or grandkids showed an interest in collecting. I set up an on-line EPSY selling account (*PaposCoinsHobby*) and have been slowly listing my collection of several hundreds of different coins. I have several years of US proof and uncirculated coin year sets in addition to multiple US coin collections, individual coin sets, and many Canadian Commemorative Silver Dollars for sale. My favorite coin is an 1898 Barber Silver Dollar (my father's birth year) which was passed down to me by my dad and mother. My grandfather Barnhart originally purchased the Birthday Barber Dollar when my dad was born.

I will conclude by stating that I enjoy my life, friends and am lucky to have all of my family living not far from me. I can still hit the golf ball (although I'm not always sure where it will go) and can move around with purpose as I wish. Now if I can only find someone interested in buying some of my thousands of 1980's and 1990's baseball card collection!

Member Profile Call for 2021 Candidates

Fellow Branch 35 members,

Wouldn't you like to know a little more about your fellow members? Every member in our branch has lived a long and interesting life. Whether they did it in academia, within the business community, their local community/church, or indulged in a favorite sport or hobby, your fellow member would be interested in your story. It is a very simple process to do one and you can start by just sending me an email (ron.nakamoto@yahoo.com) that you would be interested and want to know more. If you have already been Profiled I would encourage you to let your fellow members know what you thought about the process and article and to encourage them to participate.

BIKING

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2nd Thursday— March 11, 2021, 11:00 AM

Wives and guests welcome Rain cancels ride; Helmet mandatory Bay Trail / Ravenswood Preserve

Ride: It is good to get "Back in the saddle again." For the first ride of the year we thought that a familiar and nearby ride was appropriate. We will ride from the parking lot at Michael's at Shoreline and end up at the restaurants across from Facebook. We will take the familiar Bay Trail to the Embarcadero Road and bypass the Duck Pond (DO NOT go to the Duck Pond). We will follow the Bay Trail on up to Bay Road, where we will have to make a decision. At that point we will decide if all will take the streets as it has been in past or to split up. The new Ravenswood Preserve (which is a new path that cuts out almost all the streets) has a sign that it does not allow E-bikes. If we stay together, all riders will take the Streets way or we will split and the non E-bikes will take the Ravenswood Preserve road and the E-bikes will go by the streets. We will come together at the intersection of University Ave and Highway 84. From there we will go to the restaurants across from Facebook.

All riders must follow the Revised SIR Branch 35 Riding Group Protocols.

If any question contact me at jamesdlunt@yahoo.com or (408-252-6804) or Gordon Tong at gordy6850@gmail.com. Let us know if you are riding so we can wait for you.



from left to right: Peter Mueller, Mark Sarjeant, John Daines, Mike McHenry, Kinzen Wong, Gordon Tong, Jim Lunt, Joe Mullen, and Ron Schoengold

BOCCE BALL

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Bocce Ball Returns as a Sir Branch Activity: We are pleased to announce that Bocce play is back at the La Cuesta Park courts, City of Mountain View, with two significant qualifications: (a) Those intending to play need to sign up in advance on the "Br35 Bocce Ball Signup" form provided by Peter Thurston. If you did not receive it by the end of February, you should contact Peter to be included in the distribution of the sign-up form. (b) All play will be in accordance with the "Rules of Play for Safe Outdoor Bocce Ball Activity" shown at the bottom of the form. Those rules are what we are used to from the earlier period when Bocce was an authorized Branch 35 Activity—nothing unusual or onerous about them.

Philip Bencivenga: One of our better and most experienced players whom we have not seen on the courts since Covid-19 came last March, Philip is "feeling great" and has had his vaccinations. He is not yet ready to play Bocce, but is hoping he can by late March. To stay in shape he regularly uses a stationary bike and walks several miles a day. Philip came to us from an East Bay Branch of Sir and was a member of our championship Bocce teams who were League Winners at the University Club of Palo Alto in the Fall of 2018 and in the Spring of 2019.

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Homestead Bowl is closed and there will be no league bowling in 2021 until further notice. We will be in contact with Homestead Bowl after we receive approval from SIR to continue bowling again.

HIKING

(LOOKING FOR A
New Leader)

TRAVEL

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Group-travel companies are scheduling tours for 2021. But they aren't betting on them to depart. Read the article at

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/travel/2021/02/19/group-travel-tour-covid/>

SEE THE MARCH TRAVEL BULLETIN ON THE WEBSITE.

GOLF

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GOLF INFO

Enos Shoots the Round of the Month

The Round of the Month celebrates the best over/under score in the tournaments covered in this issue of *Trail Tips*. The February Round of the Month belongs to **Joe Enos**, who was 1.6 strokes "under" at Metropolitan on Feb. 11. Way to go, Joe!

SIGN-UP with John Gerich by Friday March 12 for the following:

Pajaro (PAJ) (Prize)	Mon Apr 5	9:30	\$42
TC Needed/Newton			
Crazy Horse Ranch (CHR) (Cart)	Wed Apr 7	10:40	\$90
Manetta 408-332-0968 rmanetta8.4(at)gmail.com/ Hall			
Eagle Ridge (EGR) (Cart,Prize)	Mon Apr 12	10:00	\$60
Garten 408-253-5860 xonon1(at)comcast.net/ Kalsi			
Hiddenbrooke (HDB) (Cart,Range)	Thu Apr 15	10:00	\$50
Jim Schlatter Invitational Garten 408-253-5860 xonon1(at)comcast.net/ *ATC Needed*			
Boulder Ridge (BRG) (Cart,Range)	Mon Apr 19	10:00	\$75
Manetta 408-332-0968 rmanetta8.4(at)gmail.com/ *ATC Needed*			
Seascape (SCP) (Cart)	Thu Apr 22	10:00	\$50
Lau 408-730-9115 ronwjlau(at)gmail.com/ Hall			
San Jose Muni (SJM)	Mon Apr 26	TBD	TBD
UNCONFIRMED Barkey 408-996-3133 stanbarkey(at)gmail.com/ Wilson			
Shoreline (SHL)	Thu Apr 29	9:00	\$35
McGrath 408-307-8058 richard.mcgrath(at)yahoo.com/Hall			

GOLF RESULTS

Callippe Preserve						Par 71Yel 72Wh Feb. 4, 2021		
Palmer Flt. 1	Net	\$	Palmer Flt. 2	Net	\$	Nicklaus Flt.	Net	\$
Cioni Joe	69	\$18	Nakamoto R	73	\$18	Gikis Ben	70	\$22
Manetta R.	75	\$14	Schutz P	76	\$14	Kalsi Balbir	74	\$16
McGrath R	75	\$10	Wilson D	76	\$10	Enos Joe	76	\$12
						Lau Peter	77	\$7
"Within a Putter Length" Winner: None								
Low Gross: Joe Cioni 82								

Metropolitan			Par 72 Feb. 11, 2021		
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize	Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize
Low Larry	70	\$24	Enos Joe	67	\$21
Nakamoto Ron	70	\$18	Kalsi Balbir	67	\$16
Barkey Stan	72	\$12	Lun Max	71	\$10
Jonekait Jay	73	\$8	Lau Peter	76	\$5
"Within a Putter Length" Winner: None					
Low Gross: Larry Low 82					

Sunnyvale 4-club 2-man best ball		Par 70	Feb. 16, 2021	
Team	Score		Prize	
Jay Jonekait & Gerry Feeney	64		\$25 @	
Bill Hall & Ken Newton	67		\$20 @	
Milt Wehrman & Dave Ogle	67		\$17 @	
Dick Wilson & Stan Barkey	67		\$10 @	
Ron Grace & Peter Lau	70		\$7@	
"Within a Putter Length" Winner: Stan Barkey \$25				

Half Moon Bay Ocean			Par 71Gld 72Wh Feb. 18, 2021		
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize	Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize
Barkey Stan	72	\$22	Kalsi Balbir	74	\$18
Nakamoto Ron	77	\$16	Mattson Don	77	\$14
Jonekait Jay	78	\$12	Enos Joe	80	\$10
Rittweger John	79	\$7	Im Sam	80	\$5
"Within a Putter Length" Winner: Dick Heiman \$21					
Low Gross: Robert Manetta 88					

Monarch Bay			Par 71 Feb. 25, 2021		
Palmer Flight	Net	Prize	Nicklaus Flight	Net	Prize
Rittweger John	71	\$22	Wong Peter	67	\$21
Barkey Stan	74	\$16	Ericsson Doug	74	\$16
McGrath Richard	75	\$12	Lau Peter	76	\$10
Nakamoto Ron	78	\$7	Tran Man	77	\$5
"Within a Putter Length" Winner: None					
Low Gross: Richard McGrath 84					

MOVIES

The Lady and the Dale. It is 1974 and the country is in the grip of a gas shortage. Long lines at the pump and gas rationing are the order of the day. A statuesque lady named Elizabeth Carmichael launches The 20th Century Car Company promising to deliver "The Dale", a super fuel-efficient, three-wheeled car. She captures the headlines, recruits engineers, and eagerly takes large sums of cash for an investment in her company. She is the darling of the media in her day. There is one huge problem, Elizabeth is really Jerry Dean Michael, father of nine, married at least thrice and a conman on the lam. He has traveled all over the country with five of his kids and his wife who is now Aunt Vivian. Jerry is a transsexual in transition and one hell of a salesperson. As Elizabeth he hoodwinked the best, but the law eventually closed in. Even then he jumped bail and was again hiding in plain sight for years before he finally went to jail – in a man's prison. This documentary follows Elizabeth's life with historical footage and contemporary interviews with her family members and co-workers. It is quite a story told over 4 episodes on HBO MAX. It tries to make a statement about transphobia but missed the mark as Elizabeth is not sympathetic, she is just a grifter. Rated TV-14 for language and some sexual content. It is a Peggy's Pick.

Malcolm and Marie. Vituperation is raised to an artform in this deconstruction of a modern relationship. John David Washington plays Malcolm, a filmmaker. Zendaya plays Marie who is his live-in girlfriend and muse. They return home after a very successful movie premiere. Critical and financial success seem assured. Their playful verbal sparring turns into tirades of castigation and blaming. Their curses and invectives hit new highs of abuse. Just as one seems to have spewed enough invective for a lifetime, the other feeds off the invective to achieve even greater condemnation. Their relationship and love for one another appears to crumble but their mutual tongue-lashing appears to be more of a process than really hateful. The intensity and complexity of the dialogue is amazing. The effort it took to clearly deliver their lines is astounding. If you can handle the vulgar language, this is one to see. Rated R for pervasive language and sexual content. Streaming on Netflix. It is a Peggy's Pick.

Little Fish. This film was made prior to the COVID-19 pandemic so is chillingly prescient. The world is having to deal with "NIA", Neuro-Inflammatory Affliction. A virus is causing people to lose their memories. Some victims go into a slow decline while others are afflicted precipitously. Newlyweds Emma (Olivia Cooke) and Jude (Jack O'Connell) are living in this new world dominated by fear, angst, and hope. Drug companies are working on a cure. A surgical procedure holds some promise. We get to know Emma and Jude through flashbacks as they remember their courtship and lives together – but whose version is real. With strong affection, together they cope with an uncertain future. The film is a love story with a science fiction tone that is all too plausible. Great performances make this a must see. Not rated but would be R for language. Streaming on Amazon Prime Video. It is a Peggy's Pick.

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.....	Norm Pass	408-737-7639
.....	John Richardson	650-996-7787
Book Club.....	Jerry Belden	650-207-6280
.....	John Lehner	408-735-8149
Book Swap.....	Timothy Topole	650-793-0838
Bowling.....	Bob Taggart	650-321-2654
.....	Doug Anderson	415-407-4000
Bridge.....	Mark Levi	650-965-2786
Dining In.....	Alan Gaudie	650-964-6510
Golf.....	Joe Cioni	650-393-5711
Hiking.....	VACANT	
Investments.....	Jim Dunaway	408-255-9244
Tennis.....	Syd Jacobsen	408-738-3233
Trail Birds.....	David Skurnick	650-473-9263
Musical Introductions.....	Bob Simon	650-948-9054
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Pianist.....	Don Cameron	650-968-9103
Travel.....	Larry Gardner	650-941-7020
Wine Group.....	Dan Zemanek	650-810-6556

WELL & COMFORT WISHER: Death or illness of a fellow Sir should be reported to Don Lintz (408-245-3332 or donlintz(at)comcast.net). He will express concerns of our Branch and communicate memorial announcements immediately among members via e-mail.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Golf- Poppy Ridge 9:30 a.m.	5 Bocce Ball Per Sign-up	6
7	8 Golf- Wente Vineyards 10:00 a.m.	9	10	11 Golf- Shoreline 9:00 a.m. Biking 11:00 a.m. Bay Trail & more	12 Bocce Ball Per Sign-up	13
14	15 Golf- Cinnabar Hills 10:00 a.m.	16	17 ZOOM MEETING Social Time 11:45 a.m. Business 12:30 p.m. Speaker 12:45 p.m.	18 Golf- Bayonet 10:00 a.m.	19 Bocce Ball Per Sign-up	20
21	22 Golf- Poplar Creek 9:30 a.m.	23	24	25 Golf- Poppy Hills 10:00 a.m.	26 Bocce Ball Per Sign-up	27
28	29 Golf- Santa Teresa 10:00 a.m.	30	31	1-Apr Golf- Silver Creek 11:00 a.m.		