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Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

DEDICATED to the PROMOTION of INDEPENDENCE and DIGNITY in RETIREMENT

Big Sir Crows By Gary Del Nero



We are getting at the end of 2017. We are in negotiations with the Elks for 2018. The cost may go up for our lunches. I will stress the "May go up" as a caution to everyone. I don't want any surprises but simply may be higher. Minimum wage is going up and the cost of food. A quick shout out to Bob Kredit and Don Reed for all they do on our Golf on Thursday morning. Every week putting on a tournament, bringing donuts, and handling (my favorite part) the payoff each week. Up to 35 plus may be in attendance ...awesome job guys, Thanks. Congratulations to the new BIG SIR for next year Richard Provost and little sir Gary Goodman. I am confident they will do a fantastic job. As always continue to think about bringing in a new member for the Legacy of One... Bringing in one member for the one that brought you in.

Sept. Program

By Tom Evans

Our speaker for September 27 will be Nick Eddy, former Notre Dame and NFL player. Unanimous All-America pick in 1966, leading Irish rusher on 1966 national championship teams as well as in '65. Finished third in Heisman Trophy voting for '66. 1967 participant in the College All-Star game. Second-round selection by Detroit Lions in '66 NFL draft . . . played with Lions from '68 to '72.

103 Officers Elected For 2018

Elected were the following: Big Sir Richard Provost, Little Sir Gary Goodman, Secretary Don Rowe, Asst. Sec. Coe Barnard, Treas. Tim Anglim, Asst. Treas. Don Eaton, Board members: Gary DelNero, Bob Kredit, Dennis Imhoff, John Johansen, Don Reed and Bill Caldwell.

Executive Committee

By Don Rowe, Secretary

Attendance: Big Sir, Gary DelNero, Little Sir, Richard Provost, Secretary, Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard, Treasurer Tim Anglim. Directors: Bob Kredit, Don Reed, and Dennis Imhoff. Absent: Assistant Treasurer, Don Eaton, Directors: John Johansen, John Reedy and Marion Roberts. Committee Representatives present: Don Reed, (Bulletin), Bill Axtell (Membership), Gary DelNero, (Sunshine), Tom Evans, (programs), Dennis Imhoff, (merchandise). Guests: Call to Order: Big Sir, Gary DelNero called the meeting to order at 7:31 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 8 Executive Board members present for a quorum. Reports: Secretary: Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept, July minutes: motion: Rowe, 2nd Kredit PASSED Treasurer: Treasurer, Tim Anglim reported: Beginning balance: \$5,013.25. Deposit: donations \$66, lunch, \$1,424, raffle, \$69. Total receipts: \$1,559.00. Checks written: \$1,456-Lunch, UPS Store \$11.87-printing. Total Deductions: \$1,467.87. Balance: \$5,104.38. Motion to accept: Anglim, 2nd Kredit - PASSED. Membership: Bill Axtell reported that we have 182 active members and no new members. Richard Walke is being dropped. Motion to accept: Del Nero, 2nd Provost - PASSED. Dennis will draft a letter to those who have missed several meetings and Bill Axtel will send them out. Luncheon: The food report was very good. Lunch was served on time. Good staff response to our requests. Correspondence: Program: The Modesto Police Department speakers discussing gangs did a great job. Sept. we have Nick Eddy, former pro football player. In Oct, our speaker will be John Hodson, private investigator. Our own John Johansen will do a presentation on computer and internet security. Dec. will be our Ladies day luncheon with a barbershop quartet. Sunshine: As reported at the luncheon. Newsletter/Thursday golf: Don Reed reported that the new Directory is up to date. The Newsletter is going fine with about only 20 or so needed to be printed for some members instead of emailed. He reported that there are averaging about 35 players

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GOLF

Travel

By John Reedy



Mon., Sept. 11 – Creekside, 8:00 a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 144.

Mon., Sept. 18 – Dryden, 8:00 a.m. SG, \$27 (cart optl.) Host 164.

Mon., Sept. 25 – Manteca, 8:00 a.m. SG, YEAR END, PRICE VARIES, check Golf Chairman for your fee. (cart optl.) Host ALL.

Mon., Oct. 2 – Micke Grove, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$33 (cart incl.) Host 103.

Mon., Oct. 9 – Creekside, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 143.

Mon., Oct. 16 – Swenson, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$26 (cart optl.) Host 144.

Mon., Oct. 23 – Manteca, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$30 (cart optl.) Host 164.

Mon., Oct. 30 – Dryden, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$27 (cart optl.) Host 103.

Mon., Nov. 6 – Diablo Grande, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$43 (cart incl.) Host 143.

The website for our golf club is: <http://www.sirinc2.org/area22golf/>

Last Tuesday of Every Month – Mt. Springs, 9:30 a.m. SG, \$33 (cart incl.) Host 136. Pay at course. Jeff Phillips at 209 588-2977 or jeffphillipsq@yahoo.com

Golf chairman for Branch 103 is John Reedy. Mail your checks (made out to SIR Golf) to John at 4637 Webster Rd., Oakdale, CA 95361-9327, 209 869-6888, e-mail: jrbaldeagle@sbcglobal.net John's co-chairmen: Kerry Newman, 579-7747 and Jerry Hott, 602-2910.

All Golfers Welcome to Play -- Modesto Muni 9-holes of golf Thursdays at 8 a.m., every week, except holidays and if it rains to hard. NCGA membership not required to just golf and take part in closest to the hole contest. Sign-ups start at 7 a.m. on a first come first served basis. We have coffee and \$1 donuts for those wishing to purchase on a first come first served basis. Call Don Reed at 524-5374 or Bob Kredit at 275-9530.

By Bill Stires

SACRAMENTO UNDERGROUND TOUR (Second Trip) November 2, 2017

Travel to Sacramento and learn about how and why they built a city upon another city in the underground tunnels. Enjoy a great lunch at the Pilothouse Restaurant on the Delta King on the Sacramento River. After lunch we take a tour of the Leland Stanford Mansion built in 1856.

Minimum needed for trip 30 passengers by September 30, 2017 or it will be cancelled.

Maximum of 46 passengers. Sign up early to reserve your space. Price \$140.00 Per Person

APPLE HILL, RENO Oct. 5-6, 2017

Our annual overnight trip up the hill to see the Fall colors and on to Reno for a stay at the Eldorado Hotel. Enjoy a leisurely lunch at the Carson Valley Inn and some free time for gambling. On to Reno and a buffet dinner before seeing a fantastic show "Adam Trent" the Illusionist. He brings his Broadway show of magic, comedy and music that is perfect for the entire family. Have a breakfast buffet before heading to John Ascuaga's Nugget for free time and lunch. After lunch head to Apple Hill and High Hill Ranch for an apple pie or apple fritter before heading home. Minimum of 2 passengers needed by August 22, 2017. \$274 Double \$300 Single.

RENO OVERNIGHT HOLIDAY SHOW Thurs.-Fri., Dec. 7-8, 2017

Deluxe Storer Morotcoach transportation

Coffee and doughnuts provided morning of departure.

Accommodations at the Eldorado Hotel and Casino.

Private group cocktail party + Dinner buffet.

Eldorado Showroom presents The "Unbelievable" Christmas Extravaganza.

Free time for gambling at the Nugget Casino.

\$10 total in Casino Bonus Package. Driver gratuity.

\$275 p/p dble. \$299 sgle.

All the reservation forms are available on the SIR Area 22 website for printing:

<http://sirinc2.org/branch144/travel>

Note that friends, neighbors, family, etc. can go on these trips, they do not need to be SIR members to enjoy the trips.

Contact Bill Stires for detailed Flyers and Applications for all SIR travel at 544-2684. Mail to Bill at 241B Leveland Lane, Modesto, CA 95350.

bstires46@gmail.com

Travelers are urged to carry with them an up to date list of their medications.

State SIR Happenings

State Sons In Retirement publishes a newsletter every quarter. The State President usually keeps branches posted on new information plus news from other branches.

The latest edition of SIR Happenings has been posted on the SIR website: <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

Branch 103 Couples Dine-Out

The next dine out will be SEPT. 23, 2017 5 P.M. MARIE CALLENDAR'S Coffee and Sylvan, Modesto, CA, Hosted by Richard and Betty To confirm please e-mail: richardprovost@yahoo.com or call 209 577-8219

Dine Out events are for the benefit of Sir Members and their spouse, lady friend or significant other. Smaller groups lend themselves to interesting conversations with fellow Sirs and their spouses, as well as allowing restaurants to show off their service and best cuisine. Each member picks up their own tab. A different Sir member chooses the restaurant each month.



The computer classes before the luncheon will have John teaching Microsoft Word and Excel 2013.

Any member wanting help with their computer problems are encouraged to contact John Johansen at 545-8992 or e-mail thejohansens@comcast.net



From L-R: Modesto Police Officer Brent Ward, Program Chair Tom Evans and MPD Officer Martin Lemus. The officers are part of the Modesto Police Gang program. They presented a slide and narrated program, telling of the different gangs in Modesto and Stanislaus County. Martin went into the whys and reasons for the gangs and how they recruit and intimidate their recruits. They explained why young people become involved to begin with.

Birthdays of the Month

By Bill Axtell

Gene Eager	9/24/1947	#29
James K. Cook	9/11/1931	#45
Tito David	9/3/1947	#125
Joe F. Savage	9/7/1942	#136
Torrey Newton	9/3/1947	#154
Edwin V. Davis	9/1/1924	#204
William F. Wirth	9/29/1923	#241



League Bowls Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
McHenry Bowl, 3700 McHenry Ave., Modesto

The league play started on Tuesday August 15. High Scratch Game Larry Sallee 229, High Scratch Series Don Reed 555, Handicap Game -Series Tony Ferro 242-666. Week #2:SG-SS-HS Larry Sallee, HG Marion Roberts. Week #3: SG Jay Faughn 235, SS Manny Simas 625, HG-HS Tom Mickelsen 261-733. Week 34: STATE BOWLING – State SIR Bowling tournaments are held many times during the year:



Make an effort to participate in some of these tournaments. – Scheduled are: Sun., Sept. 10, Cloverleaf Bowl, Fremont. Fri.-Sat., Sept. 15-16, Tahoe Bowl, Lake Tahoe. Tues.-Wed., Oct. 3-4, Fireside Lanes, Citrus Heights. Tues., Oct. 17, Harvest Park, Brentwood. Thurs.-Fri., Nov. 2-3, McHenry Bowl, Modesto.

Check the State SIR Bowling at sirinc.com or contact bowling chairman Jim Pastorelli at 406-8156 for applications. Lots of fun bowling. For entry forms or for joining a team, call bowling chairman Jim Pastorelli 406-8156. It is never to late to start bowling. We have bowlers well into their 80's and even their 90's. Meet bowlers from the four Branches of Sons In Retirement (Area 18). The league is always looking for experienced or new bowlers. Come join in!

Membership

By Bill Axtell

NEW MEMBER:

Tony Massa Badge #3
1809 Cozy Ct.
Modesto, CA 95356-8759 209 324-4281
north00001@hotmail.com –
Biking, Computers, Crab Feeds, Dine Out,
Golf, Tennis and Poker

MOVED TO ACTIVE:

Manuel V. Simas Badge #187

DROPPED:

Richard Walke Badge #32

SIR Members are required to attend at least one-half of the luncheons in a 12 month period. (Not counting Ladies Day) If you wish to continue to participate you need to make sure you are eligible.

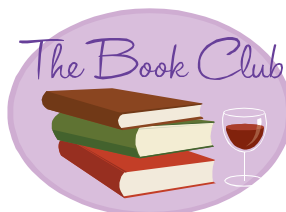
Branch 103 Website

The Branch 103 Website can be found at
www.sirinc2.org/branch103

CODE FOR GALLO CENTER FOR ARTS

The code: SIR 1718 will work for a 15% discount for any Gallo Center presented show. Will not work for Modesto Symphony or Townsend Opera. Be sure and ask for your discount.

The latest edition of SIR Happenings has been posted on the SIR website: <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>



Earl Glenn will open and close the book cabinet each luncheon. You can take and bring books. There are usually some good and entertaining books available.

STATE OFFICERS

State Pres. Jerry Strain 209 551-8220
 Reg. 8 Director B. Allen Baxter ...559 434-1037
 Gov. Area 18 Richard Kindle209 668-0658

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 Marion Roberts 538-0197
 Dennis Imhoff846-9529
 John Johansen545-8992
 Don Reed524-5374

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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 Raffle Don Eaton551-8372
 Table Setup, Don Rowe634-0100
 Table Setup, Bill Caldwell529-4125
 Lead Singer, Ed Davis522-4080
 Backup Singer, Gary Goodman578-0848

Audit Committee: Russ Jackson and Joe Stackhouse
 Nominating Committee: Dennis Imhoff, John Johansen
 and Bob Kredit
 Honorary Life Members: Bill Caldwell, Lon Loudermilk
 and Don Reed

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday following each Regular
Branch Meeting at 7:30 a.m.

MARIE CALLENDER'S
3500 Coffee Rd., Modesto

If you are unable to attend the
Monthly Luncheon, please call
Bill Axtell at 863-2915
billbus10@att.net

NEXT MEETING
Wed., Sept. 27
Elks' Lodge

645 Charity Way
Modesto
Phone 544-3157

FELLOWSHIP: 10:30 AM
LUNCHEON: 11:20 AM

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for the Thursday rounds.

Golf: Big Sir Gary reminded us about signing up for tournaments in a timely manner.

Bowling: na

Merchandising: Dennis Imhoff sold 3 hats. License plates have been ordered and will sell for \$2.00.

Special Events: na

Travel: na

Computers: na

Photo Club: Bob Kredit had chats with a few members.

Dining Club: In August, Don Rowe will host at the DustBowl Brewery in Turlock. Sept. will be at Marie Callender's hosted by Richard Provost on Sept. 23rd.

Old Business: The election results were: Big Sir, Richard Provost, Little Sir, Gary Goodman, Secretary, Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard, Treasurer Tim Anglim, Assistant Treasurer, Don Eaton.

Directors: Bob Kredit, Don Reed, John Johansen, Dennis Imhoff, Bill Caldwell, and Past Big Sir Gary DelNero.

New Business: Ladies Day Tickets will be sold at Oct. and Nov. Luncheons. Buy one ticket per member and bring your wife or significant other for free.

Dennis will make a new rod for our banner.

Other: Don Rowe and Richard Provost attended Our Area Governor's meeting on June 2 and will report to the board at the next Executive Board Meeting.

Adjournment: 8:23 A.M.

SIR DISCLAIMER and ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

All trips and other activities arranged by and for SONS IN RETIREMENT, Inc., and its branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons In Retirement, Inc. and its branches do not assume responsibility for the well-being or safety of the passengers, or their property, in any matter pertaining to said tours or other activities. Regular members missing three (3) consecutive meetings shall be notified by Form Letter 4 of their pending membership termination. Certification of attendance at another Branch meeting will be considered as a credit to the attendance



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