

# The Town Crower

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October 2017



## Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

DEDICATED to the PROMOTION of INDEPENDENCE and DIGNITY in RETIREMENT

### Big Sir Crows By Gary Del Nero

Important date changes for November and December lunches will be: November 15th and December 13th (Both Wednesdays). These dates are a week earlier than usual. Obviously for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will have our Lady's day Luncheon in December. This is you pay for one luncheon and you can bring your significant other for no charge. Tickets will be on sale at this October meeting. Entertainment will be the Christmas Quartet (Common Ground is their name) back by popular demand. Just as a note when we put in our \$20 donation each year this is a major part where our money goes. Bowling is underway and the bowlers expressed they are in need of more bowlers.

Golfers will note that starting time as of Monday 10-2-17 is 9 a.m.

Guest speakers are always in demand so if you have a thought, a person, etc. let us know, contact Tom Evans or myself we would appreciate it.

Think of Legacy of One. Your sponsor brought you in SIR, now bring in someone yourself.



### Oct. Program

By Tom Evans

Our speaker for October 25 will be John Hodson, who commenced his career with 3 years as an EMT, followed by 30 years in Law Enforcement. Fourteen years of which was as a Police officer in his own country of England. The remaining 16 years as a Police officer in Modesto, CA. Since retiring from Law Enforcement in March 2011, it seemed only natural that he would not allow his vast knowledge and experience to go to waste. So he formed his own Private Investigation Company, which he runs with the invaluable assistance of his partner Ali. Since forming the company, they have assisted various attorneys in the Central valley area in a variety of investigations including; Homicides/ Attempt Homicides, Violent assaults, Terrorist Threats, Burglaries, Sexual crimes, Surveillance, Corporate/Civil Investigations, Background checks etc.

### 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, John Johansen, and Dennis Imhoff.

Absent: Assistant Treasurer, Don Eaton, Directors: John Reedy and Marion Roberts.

Committee Representatives present: Don Reed, (Bulletin), Bill Axtell (Membership), Gary DelNero, (Sunshine), Tom Evans, (programs), Dennis Imhoff, (merchandise).

Guests: Doug Imberi

Call to Order: Big Sir, Gary DelNero called the meeting to order at 7:30 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 9 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

#### Reports:

**Secretary:** Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept, Aug. minutes: motion: Rowe, 2nd Imhoff PASSED

**Treasurer:** Treasurer, Tim Anglim reported: Beginning balance: \$5,104.38. Deposit: donations \$1, lunch, \$1,744, raffle, \$85. Total receipts: \$1,830.00. Checks written: \$1,760-Lunch, UPS Store \$14.46-printing, Don Reed for supplies-\$45.19, Richard Provost, License plates- \$24. Total Deductions: \$1,843.65. Balance: \$5,090.73. Motion to accept: Anglim, 2nd Reed- PASSED.

**Membership:** Bill Axtell reported that we have 181 active members and 5 new members. . Motion to accept: Del Nero, 2nd Provost- PASSED. New members approved- Reed, 2nd Kredit PASSED

**Luncheon:** The food report was very good. Lunch was served on time. Discussed contract for 2018

#### Correspondence:

**Program:** Nick Eddy, did a nice job. 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:** Keith Thurston had a military funeral at Santa Nella National Cemetery. Don Reed attended. Don Easton is ill.

**Newsletter/Thursday golf:** Don Reed reported that the Newsletter is going fine with about only 20 or so needed to be printed for some members instead of emailed.

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# GOLF

By John Reedy



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.  
Mon., Nov. 13 – Creekside, 9:00  
a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 144.  
Mon, Nov. 20 – Manteca, 9:00  
a.m. SG, \$30 (cart optl.) Host 164.  
Mon., Nov. 27 – Dryden, 9:00  
a.m. SG, \$27 (cart optl.) Host 103.  
Mon., Dec. 4 – Creekside, 9:00  
a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 143.

The website for our golf club is:  
[http://www.sirinc2.org/  
area22golf/](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](mailto: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](mailto:jrbaldeagle@sbcglobal.net)  
John's co-chairmen: Kerry New-  
man, 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 re-  
quired 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.

# Travel

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 under-  
ground tunnels. Enjoy a great lunch  
at the Pilothouse Restaurant on the  
Delta King on the Sacramento Riv-  
er. After lunch we take a tour of  
the Leland Stanford Mansion built in  
1856.

Minimum needed for trip 30 passen-  
gers 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

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

Deluxe Storer Morotcoach transpor-  
tation

Coffee and doughnuts provided  
morning of departure.

Accommodations at the Eldorado  
Hotel and Casino.

Private group cocktail party + Din-  
ner buffet.

Eldorado Showroom presents The  
"Unbelievable" Christmas Extrava-  
ganza.

Free time for gambling at the Nug-  
get Casino.

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

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

## EASTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE January 6-14, 2018

### Aboard The Regal Princess

Includes a pre-night stay in Ft.  
Lauderdale. Will visit ports on Prin-  
cess Cay with beach party on the  
Island of Eleuthera in the Bahamas ;  
Charlotte Amalie in the US Virgin  
Islands with duty free shopping;  
Phillipsburg on St. Maarten; plus 3  
days cruising and all the activities  
on board.

Prices from \$2500 p/p dble. To  
\$3095 p/p dble. Single prices  
available on request.

Must have valid passport up to June  
30, 2018.

All the reservation forms are availa-  
ble on the SIR Area 22 website for  
printing:

[http://sirinc2.org/branch144/  
travel](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 en-  
joy the trips.

Contact Bill Stires for detailed Fly-  
ers and Applications for all SIR trav-  
el at 544-2684. Mail to Bill at 241B

Leveland Lane, Modesto, CA  
95350.

[bstires46@gmail.com](mailto:bstires46@gmail.com)

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

## Ladies' Day Tickets

Tickets for the Ladies' Day  
Luncheon on Wednesday, De-  
cember 13 are available from  
Bill Caldwell at the October  
and November luncheons.  
The prices is \$16 for a Sir and  
are FREE for their "Fair Lady".



Doug Imberi presented Nick  
Eddy with a certificate of ap-  
preciation for his speaking at  
our September luncheon

## Branch 103 Couples Dine-Out

The next dine out will be  
OCT. 28, 2017 5 P.M.  
Tasty Thai

Floyd & Roselle, Modesto, CA,  
Hosted by Jim and Sue Cloward  
To confirm please e-mail:  
[jncloward@gmail.com](mailto:jncloward@gmail.com)  
or call 209 551-5681

Dine Out events are for the benefit of Sir  
Members and their spouse, lady friend or sig-  
nificant other. Smaller groups lend themselves  
to interesting conversations with fellow Sirs  
and their spouses, as well as allowing restau-  
rants to show off their service and best cus-  
ine. 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 teach-  
ing Microsoft Word and Excel  
2013.

Any member wanting help with  
their computer problems are en-  
couraged to contact John Johan-  
sen at 545-8992 or e-mail  
[thejohansens@comcast.net](mailto:thejohansens@comcast.net)

# New Members



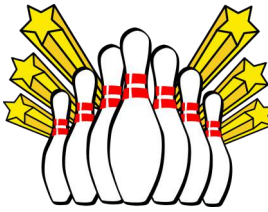
From L-R: Big Sir Gary DelNero, Orientation Dennis Imhoff, new member Tony Massa and his sponsor Bill Gard. Tony is a resident of Modesto. He is retired application developer with Lawrence Livermore Labs. He is a computer science degree holder, likes fishing, football, biking, golf, poker, tennis, woodworking, RPG board games, electric helis & drones.

# Membership

By Bill Axtell

## NEW MEMBERS:

- |   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| <b>Tony Lopez</b><br>4121 Quiet Brook Ct.<br>Modesto, CA 95356-8797<br>quietbrookct@hotmail.com —<br>Bowl                                       | <b>Badge #6</b><br>209 4805678   |
| <b>Carl D. Sparks (Joanne)</b><br>1025 Copper Falls Ct<br>Modesto, CA 95355-8957<br>sparkyjo67@yahoo.com —                                      | <b>Badge #14</b><br>209 704-9352 |
| <b>Raymond R. "Ray: Tillery"</b><br>1100 E. Orangeburg Ave., Apt. #2<br>Modesto, CA 95355-4676<br>raymond_tillery@yahoo.com<br>Bowl, Golf, Vets | <b>Badge #23</b><br>209 499-0955 |
| <b>Ed J. Wallick (Debie)</b><br>318 Severin Ave.<br>Modesto, CA 95354-1646<br>eewallick@gmail.com —<br>Bike, Bowl, Fish, Golf                   | <b>Badge #17</b><br>209402-7613  |
| <b>Gary M. Wasmund (Maribeth)</b><br>3829 Wild Palms Dr.<br>Modesto, CA 95355-5605<br>gwwasmund@sbcglobal.net —<br>Golf                         | <b>Badge #4</b><br>209 595-5273  |



Simas 236, HG Steve Holly 261, SS-HS John Schamante 685-760.  
Week 38:  
**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: **Tues., Oct. 17, Harvest Park, Brentwood. Thurs.-Fri., Nov. 2-3, McHenry Bowl, Modesto. Tues.-Wed., Nov. 14-15, Clayton Bowl, Concord.** Check the State SIR Bowling at [sirinc.com](http://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 too 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!

## RESIGNED:

- Stan Ross**  
**DECEASED:**  
**Keith A. Thurston**  
**James K. Cook**

**Badge #219**

**Badge #103**  
**Badge #45**

## TRANS. TO 144:

**Manual V. Simas, Jr. Badge # 187**

# Birthdays

By Bill Axtell

|                   |            |      |
|-------------------|------------|------|
| Alvin Olsen       | 10/30/1923 | #26  |
| Hervi Rualo       | 10/1/1949  | #30  |
| Joe Luis          | 10/12/1948 | #39  |
| Lynn M. Quilici   | 10/1/1944  | #43  |
| Tom A. Evans      | 10/2/1942  | #55  |
| George E. Wallace | 10/15/1925 | #78  |
| Joe Bradley       | 10/11/1942 | #120 |
| Robert E. Weaver  | 10/24/1942 | #130 |
| Ed Pinon          | 10/13/1938 | #132 |
| Donald E. Cox     | 10/16/1939 | #143 |
| Wesley E. Rash    | 10/1/1928  | #153 |
| Roland Loeffler   | 10/1/1919  | #168 |
| Robert Manning    | 10/20/1952 | #170 |
| Gene Cummings     | 10/14/1933 | #245 |

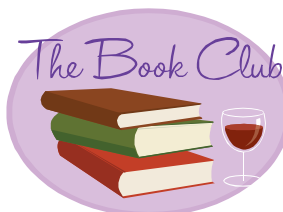


League Bowls Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

McHenry Bowl, 3700 McHenry Ave., Modesto

Week #4: Scratch Game Joe Bradley, Scratch Series Larry Sallee. Handicap Game-Series Ron Halliday 263-685. Week #5: SG-SS Jay Faughn 223-609, HG Ernie Lewis 253, HS Jack Brey 673. Week #6: SG Terry McChesney 235, SS Joe Miceli 595, HG-HS Dominic Genova and Terry McChesney 279-721. Week #7: SG Manny

*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.*



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 Kindle .....209 668-0658

**BRANCH 103 OFFICERS**

Big Sir Gary Del Nero .....681-1100  
 Little Sir Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Secretary Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Asst. Secretary Coe Barnard ..... 572-1937  
 Treasurer Tim Anglim .....578-4593  
 Asst. Treasurer Don Eaton .....551-8372  
 John Reedy, Jr. ....869-6888  
 Bob Kredit.....275-9530  
 Marion Roberts ..... 538-0197  
 Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 John Johansen .....545-8992  
 Don Reed .....524-5374

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Membership Bill Axtell .....863-2915  
 Assistant Richard Provost.....577-8219  
 Program Chair Tom Evans .....551-1836  
 Program Chair Asst. Doug Imberl .....545-3053  
 Member Orientation, Bob Kredit .....275-9530  
 Public Relations Bob Kredit .....275-9530

Bowling Jim Pastorelli .....406-8156  
 Bowling Dominic Genova .....523-1663  
 Golf Chair, John Reedy. ....869-6888  
 Golf Co-Chair, Kerry Newman ..... 579-7747  
 Golf Co-Chair, Gerald Hott .....602-2910  
 Golf Co-Chair, Chuck Bommarito ..... 529-3271  
 Golf Handicap Barry Meiselman .....574-9301  
 Book Exchange, Earl Glenn .....537-7254  
 Travel Area 18 Bill Stires .....544-2684  
 Merchandise Sales, Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Sales Asst., Kerry Newman .....579-7747  
 Lunch Menu, Gary Del Nero .....681-1100  
 Data Processing Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Computer Club John Johansen .....545-8992  
 Special Events Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Photography Club Bob Kredit .....275-9530  
 Dine Out Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Sunshine Chair: Gary Del Nero .....681-1100  
 Chaplain Joe Stackhouse.....543-0972  
 Asst. Chaplain, Gary Goodman .....578-0848  
 Meal Tickets Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Raffle Don Eaton .....551-8372  
 Table Setup, Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Table Setup, Bill Caldwell .....529-4125  
 Lead Singer, Ed Davis .....522-4080  
 Backup Singer, Gary Goodman .....578-0848

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**

Don Reed ..... sir103\_57@yahoo.com ..... 524-5374

**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**

**Executive Committee, continued from page 1**

He reported that they are averaging about 35 players for the Thursday rounds.  
**Golf: NA.**  
**Bowling: Motion:** Approve the 2018 bowling schedule and annual tournament in Nov.  
 Anglim, 2nd Kredit **PASSED**  
**Merchandising:** Dennis Imhoff sold a pin. License plates have been ordered and will  
 sell for \$2.00.  
**Special Events:** na  
**Travel:** na  
**Computers:** John suggested that use of the video projector should be added to the  
 proposed contract. The Board agreed.  
**Photo Club:** Bob Kredit was absent  
**Dining Club:** In Sept., Richard Provost hosted at Marie Callender's. Jim Cloward will  
 host at Tasty Thai on Oct.28.  
**Old Business:**  
**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.  
 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:** 8:20 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

**NEXT MEETING  
 Wed., Oct. 25  
 Elks' Lodge**

**645 Charity Way  
 Modesto  
 Phone 544-3157**

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



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