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Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

DEDICATED to the PROMOTION of INDEPENDENCE and DIGNITY in RETIREMENT

Big Sir Crows By Richard Provost

Gentlemen, to remind all tickets for Christmas dinner for you and your significant other will go on sale at the Oct. lunch meeting. Please see Bill Caldwell. The luncheon for Christmas will be Dec. 19. You will be able to purchase tickets at the Oct and Nov. meeting and up until Dec 7. This is the cutoff date as we must give the Elks an actual count for the Christmas lunch. No tickets will be sold after Dec. 7.

Barbara Webb will be running the lady's luncheon and it will be (women only) on the 3rd Thursday of each month. For the month of Oct. it will be on the 18th at UNO's corner of Briggsmore & Oakdale Rd. Lunch time is at 11:30. Please call Barbara to confirm that you will be attending lunch. This is a new program and Barbara is working hard to get it up and running. So, guys please tell your wives about it. It was brought up at the last dine out that many men are not informing their wives of the luncheon or the dine out. The club was established to have fun and meet new people.

Remember Halloween falls in the middle of the week Oct 31st drive careful as a lot of little ones will be out.

Looking at the \$20.00 donations by our members I wish to thank all that have donated this year, it keeps Branch 103 running smoothly.



October Program

By Tom Evans

Maria Profeta from HICAP will be our speaker, a person who provides case management services and assists an individual in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational, and/or other services.

Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) California's State Health Insurance Assistance Program The HICAP network provides free, confidential counseling and community education for California Medicare beneficiaries, their representatives, and people who will soon be eligible for Medicare.

CODE FOR GALLO CENTER

You can use promo code SIRS 1819 when ordering tickets online. There is a section when you check out to enter promo code. You are asked that the code is only for SIR members and not shared.

Executive Committee

By Secretary Don Rowe (First Draft)

Minutes of September 28, 2018: Attendance: Big Sir, Richard Provost, Little Sir, Gary Goodman, Secretary, Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard, Treasurer Tim Anglim.

Directors: Don Reed, Gary DelNero, Bill Caldwell, Bob Kredit, and John Johansen.

Absent Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse, Dennis Imhoff.

Committee Representatives present: Don Reed, (Bulletin), Bill Axtell (Membership),

Gary DelNero, (Sunshine), Tom Evans, (programs),

Guests: Doug Imberi (Little Sir elect)

Call to Order: Big Sir, Richard Provost, called the meeting to order at 7:30 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 10 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

REPORTS: Secretary: Sept. 29 Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept Sept. minutes as modified (March to June: Rowe, 2nd Kredit, PASSED

Treasurer: Treasurer Tim Anglim reported: Beginning balance: \$4842.83 Deposit: donations \$40, plus contribution from lunch, \$0.23, lunch, \$1,695.77 raffle, \$83. Total receipts: \$1819.00. Checks written: \$1,711.77-Lunch, \$99.99 to John Johansen for Office 365 home software and storage, \$62.58 to UPS store for 2 months of newsletters and ballots. Total Deductions: \$1874.34. Balance: \$4,787.49. Motion to accept: Anglim, 2nd, Johansen- PASSED.

Membership: Bill Axtell reported that we have 157 active members. Motion to accept: Rowe, 2nd Anglim- PASSED. We have no new members. Motion to drop the following members: Ed Wallick and Pinky Martin- Rowe, 2nd Kredit- PASSED The Board discussed the process of attendance and contacting members with frequent absences.

Luncheon: The lunch was very good! Some discussion about servers offering of the entrees. The new setup worked well.

Correspondence: Discussion was had concerning the State Big Sir report. Some Board members submitted comments to Big Sir Richard. The overall sentiment of Branch 103 Board was that we want to keep retirement as a qualification for membership.

Program: Joyce Gandelman gave a great presentation about the Senior Law Project. In Oct., Maria Profeta from HICAP, will speak. Our Nov. speaker will be Richard Cato, from the McHenry Museum. Dec. is our Ladies Day with the "Strummers". Jan. of course, Big Sir Gary Goodman, will speak. For Feb., we have Candi Woertz on a mentoring program for High Schoolers.

Sunshine: Gary reported that it was good to see Jerry Zoeller and Joe Luis at the Manteca end of the golf year tournament and lunch. Terry McChesney was in the hospital. Larry Lay is recovering from a car accident.

Newsletter/Thursday golf: Don Reed reported the newsletter

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GOLF

Travel

By John Reedy



Mon., Oct. 8 – Manteca, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 164.

Mon., Oct. 15 – Pheasant Run, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$43 (cart incl.) Host 144.

Mon., Oct. 22 – Creekside, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 143.

Mon., Oct. 29 – Dry Creek, 8:30 a.m. SG, \$43 (cart incl.) Host 103.

Mon., Nov. 5 – Creekside, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$29 (cart optl.) Host 144.

Mon., Nov. 12 – Micke Grove, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$34 (cart incl.) Host 143.

Mon., Nov. 19 – Diablo Grande, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 103.

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 672-0326.

Branch 103 Website

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

By Bill Stires

PANAMA CANAL CRUISE January 30-February 15, 2019 \$3525 to \$4550 P/P dble.

Ports of call: Day 1 Pre-Cruise Night in Fort Lauderdale Day 2-3-4 Board the Coral Princess and 2 days at sea Day 5 Cartagena, Columbia Day 6 Cruise the Panal Canal Day 7 Fuerte Amador Day 8 At Sea Day 9 Puntarenas, Costa Rica Day 10 San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua Day 11-13 At Sea Day 14 Cabo San Lucas, Mexico Day 15-16 At Sea Day 17 Arrive in San Francisco for the trip home Fly to Fort Lauderdale and sail back to San Francisco.

LAND TOUR OF DENALI CRUISE OF ALASKA AUG.23-SEPT. 3, 2019

Cruise on the Crystal Symphony (848 passengers). All inclusive, all transportation, hotels, all beverages, free Wi-Fi, pre-paid gratuities, enrichment classes and more. Shore excursions are not included. 4 day land tour of Denali and 8 day cruise of Alaska (Anchorage to Vancouver) Cruising the Inside Passage and Tracy Arms. Prices \$5350 to \$6525 per person. \$300 per person discount at time of presentation, \$125 discount if paid by check, save 2.5% of cruise fare if paid by February 15, 2019.

FUTURE TRIP

Switzerland, Austria and Germany. Stay in Oberammergan, Germany for the Passion Play (only performed once every 10 years). August 29-Sept. 9. 2020.

The play is a staging of Jesus' passion, covering the short final period of his life from his visit to Jerusalem and leading to his execution by crucifixion.

Price: Approximately \$5700 per person. Air Fare to be determined in Oct. 2019.

Price includes all transportation, hotels, gratuities for tour manager, and more. \$500.00 deposit per person holds spot. Final payment not due until March 1, 2020

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.

SIR 103 Couples Dine-Out

The next dine out will be
OCT. 27 2018 5:00 P.M.

Marie Callender's

3500 Coffee Rd., Modesto

Your hosts will be Doug and Carol Imberi

Corkage fee: \$5.00

Please confirm your reservations by

Oct. 22, 2018.

Either an e-mail to

dimberi@att.net

or by phone 209- 545-3053

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.

LADIES' DINE-OUT

**Oct. 18 - Third Thursdays
at 11:30 a.m.**

Uno's

**Oakdale Rd.
Modesto, CA**

**Call Barbara Webb
209 526-6511**

Reply by Oct. 12

Guys, please tell you Wives!



Computer help before each luncheon will be given by John

Johansen.

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

New Members



New members who went through orientation at the September 26, 2018 Luncheon. From left, Little Sir Gary Goodman, Robert Morris, David Noble, Michael Lenz and Orientation Chairman Bob Kredit. Robert is married to Lecia and retired from UPS as a delivery driver. They live in the City of Modesto. He likes baseball, bowling and pool-billiards. David is a property mgr. with Noble Properties. He and his wife Sheila reside in Modesto. His interests include golf and wine. Michael and his spouse Peggy reside in Modesto. He retired as MID water plant supervisor. His interests are many and varied, including bowling, computers, football and golf.

Membership

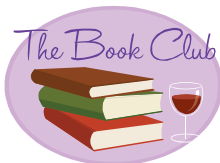
By Bill Axtell

DROPPED MEMBERS:

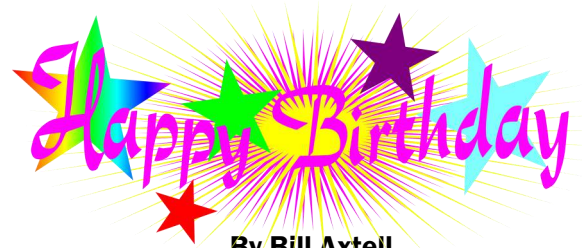
Ed J. Wallick
Pinky H. Martin

Badge #4
Badge #19

REMINDER: 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 in golf or bowling, 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.



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
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



League Bowls Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

McHenry Bowl, 3700 McHenry Ave., Modesto

WEEK #3. SG-SS-HG: Jay Faughn 231-622-242, HG: Chuck Shoup. HS: Robert Morris.
WEEK #4: SG-HG-HS: Ron Quintanal, SS: David Brown. 615. **WEEK #5:** SG-HG: John Schamante 266-279, SS-HS: Joe Bradley 615-684.
WEEK #6: SG Ron Quintanal 237, SS Joe Miceli 654, HG Tom Mickelsen 284, HS Ream Lochry 709. **WEEK #7:** SG-SS-HS: John Sherrard 241-675-711, HG: Murle Webb 261.



STATE BOWLING – State SIR Bowling tournaments are held many times during the year: Tues.-Wed., October 9-10, Fire-side Lanes, Citrus Heights. Tues., Oct. 16, Harvest Park, Brentwood. Thurs.-Fri., Nov. 1-2 McHenry Bowl (**OUR OWN TOURNAMENT**). Tues.-Wed., Nov. 13-14, Clayton Valley Bowl, Concord.

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

**Remember your \$20
Branch 103 Membership
dues for 2018
Write check to SIR 103**

STATE OFFICERS

State Pres. Derek Southern 925 253-1646
 Reg. 2 Director Jerry Morrow 209 586-2979
 Gov. Area 18 Richard Kindle 209 668-0658

BRANCH 103 OFFICERS

Big Sir Richard Provost 577-8219
 Little Sir Gary Goodman 578-0848
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 Bob Kredit 672-0326
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 John Johansen 545-8992
 Don Reed 524-5374

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Membership Bill Axtell 863-2915
 Assistant Richard Provost 577-8219
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 Program Chair Asst. Doug Imberl 545-3053
 Member Orientation, Bob Kredit 672-0326
 Public Relations Bob Kredit 275-9530

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 Golf Co-Chair, Gerald Hott 602-2910
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 Data Processing Richard Provost 577-8219
 Computer Club John Johansen 545-8992
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 Dine Out Dennis Imhoff 846-9529
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 Chaplain Joe Stackhouse 543-0972
 Asst. Chaplain, Gary Goodman 578-0848
 Meal Tickets Don Rowe 634-0100
 Raffle Roy Bruk, Jim Bickner, Mike Filan
 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 Jerry Zoller

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**

**NEXT MEETING
 Wed., Oct. 24
 Elks' Lodge**
**645 Charity Way
 Modesto
 Phone 524-4421**
**FELLOWSHIP: 10:30 AM
 LUNCHEON: 11:20 AM**

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is going well. He has added the Ladies Dine out to the newsletter. It will be Oct. 18 at Uno's. Don reported that Thursday golf is going fine. There have been 28 to 39 players.
 Golf: NA.
 Bowling: NA
 Merchandising: NA
 Special Events: NA
 Travel: NA.
 Computer: John said that the video equipment for presentations is in the small 2 drawer cabinet.
 Old Business: NA
 New Business: Bill Caldwell will begin selling Ladies Day tickets next month and Nov. Dominic Genova will sell tickets at the bowling alley.
 Other: John Johansen is moving back to Denmark; therefore, he is resigning. His resignation was accepted with regrets.
 Motion: Appoint Bill Caldwell to the Board to fill John's newly elected position for year 2019-Del Nero, 2nd Reed-PASSED
 Adjournment: 8:47 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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