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Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

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Big Sir Crows By Gary Goodman

Well my first meeting as Big Sir is over. I really had a good time and hope all those present had a good time as well. I like having fewer tables. It was nice to see all the tables full. Hate to see one guy all by himself. That being said, we will try to have enough tables so guys can be seated comfortably. I wish to thank all the guys who paid their dues this early in the year. We had over 80 members pay so far. It's a good start, hope everyone will follow suit. It's nice to have such great support, thanks again.

Also, I mentioned that we need a computer club chairman to replace John Johansen who has moved back to his mother country. Well, we have a new member, Jeff Chin who has stepped up to the plate and has volunteered his services. Jeff has experience in teaching with the Modesto City School system and specialized in computer education. I wish to express my deepest appreciation for his willingness to take this position. Also, at the meeting, Don Reed expressed the wish for someone to take over the newsletter, so if there is someone who is just dying to be an editor of a great newsletter, please let Don know. Have a good month and we will see you next month. Remember to let Charles Palmer know if you are unable to attend.



Feb. Program

By Tom Evans

Our speaker for February will be Kandy Woertz on a mentoring program for High Schoolers. She has been with the Stanislaus County Office of Education since 2002. Her primary focus is on College and Career Readiness for all students while providing the additional support needed for underrepresented students. Has spent 25+ years in corporate America, the last ten with the Vons Grocery Company Corporate offices in Southern California and held various positions with the most recent being in Operations. She has a passion to help young people with tools that will guide them in developing a plan and pathway to accomplish their dreams

Executive Committee

By Secretary Don Rowe (First Draft)

Attendance: Big Sir, Gary Goodman, Secretary, Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard, Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse Directors: Richard Provost, Don Reed, Gary DelNero, Bill Caldwell, Dennis Imhoff, Bob Kredit.

Absent: Little Sir, Doug Imber, Treasurer Tim Anglim.
Committee Representatives present: Don Reed, (Bulletin), Charles Palmer, (Membership), Gary DelNero, (Sunshine), Tom Evans, (programs),

Guests:

Call to Order: Big Sir, Gary Goodman, called the meeting to order at 7:31 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 10 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

REPORTS: Secretary: Dec. 21 Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept Dec. minutes Rowe, 2nd Caldwell. PASSED

Treasurer: Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse reported: Beginning balance: \$2667.51. Deposits: lunch, \$1791.76, (Less contribution, \$0.24) Donations, \$1,647, raffle, \$96, Directory sales, \$10. Total receipts: \$3,545.00. Checks written: \$1791.76-Lunch, \$240- SIR Inc. assessment, UPS Store, \$14.03. Total Deductions: \$2,45.79. Balance: \$4,166.72. Motion to accept: Stackhouse 2nd, Rowe- PASSED.

Membership: Richard Provost reported that we have 170 active members. We have 7 new members, Jerry North, John Murray, Robert Allendorf, Gary Wasmund, Donny Counce, James Felt, and Jeffery Chin, for a total of 170 members. Motion to accept the membership report- Rowe 2nd Kredit- PASSED. Motion: to accept the new members -Kredit, 2nd, Stackhouse-PASSED

Luncheon: The lunch was very good! There was a discussion about the table set up. Correspondence:

Program: Tom Evans reported Feb. we have Kandy Woertz on a mentoring program for High Schoolers. For March, we have our newly elected Sheriff, Jeff Dirkse. In April, we will have Judy Kindle from Sierra Vista.

Sunshine: Gary Del Nero reported that he sent a card to Bill Gard wishing him well. Gary will also send a card to the cook at the Elks who has lost family members.

Newsletter/Thursday golf: Don Reed reported the newsletter is going well. The Directory was emailed to members to check for any errors. He also brought some to the luncheon.

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GOLF Travel

By John Reedy



NCGA DUES: \$48 and \$58 for new members.

Mon., Feb. 11 – Pheasant Run, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$43 (cart incl.) Host 143.

Tues., Feb. 19 – Elk Horn, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 144.

Mon., Feb. 25 – Manteca, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 164.

Mon., March 4 – Swenson, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$27 (cart optl.) Host 103.

Mon., March 11 – Creekside (MP), 9:00 a.m. SG, \$31 (cart optl.) Host 144.

Mon., March 18 – Reserve, 9:00 a.m. SG, \$53 (cart incl.) Host 143.

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

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 136 (Sonora) plays Mt. Springs. To check time and dates contact Paul Padavana at paulp_57@yahoo.com

Branch 103 Website

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

By Bill Stires

KENTUCKY DERBY RACE DAY AT GOLDEN GATE FIELD May 4, 2019 – Saturday

The SIR Area 18 and Friends will be traveling to beautiful Golden Gate Fields Race Track for the day. Today is an extra special racing day, along with live racing, there will be a live stream of the Kentucky Derby. The times of the Kentucky Derby live stream will be advised. It is usually after the last race. Here we will try our luck to Win, Place or Show at the horse races. Upon arrival, we will receive a racing program and seating in the Turf Club. You will enjoy a delicious buffet lunch and a fun afternoon of horse racing. Afterwards, board the coach for our return ride home to Central Valley. HAPPY TRAVELS!

Come & join the fun with SIR Area 18 & Friends as they enjoy the live stream of "Kentucky Derby Race Day" along with live racing, from a **spectacular view in Golden Gate Field's Turf Club.**

\$142.00 Per Person

Minimum of 46 passengers needed by April 1, 2019 or the trip will be cancelled. Maximum of 50 passengers, sign up early to guarantee your seat!!

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
**THERE WAS NO RESTAURANT
PICKED AT PRINT TIME!
FOR SAT., MARCH 2**

**Remember your \$20
Branch 103 Membership
dues for 2019
Write check to SIR 103**

LADIES' DINE-OUT

**The ladies luncheon will be
Thursday, Feb. 21, 2019
at Javi's Mexican Restaurant
1225 Standiford, Modesto.
Please call Barbara Webb
If you will be attending
at 209-526-6511**

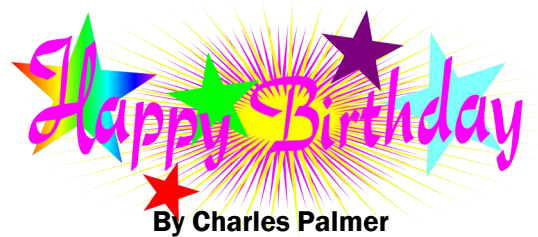
Guys you need to start telling your wives about this SIR Ladies' monthly luncheon.



Golf chairman John Reedy, left; presented Joe Bradley with his State Championship jacket at the January 23 luncheon. Joe won the 5th flight at the Bayonet Course in Monterey back in November, 2018.



New member, Donny Coonce, left, was presented his membership by Big Sir Gary Goodman. Donny is married to Rhonda and they reside in the city of Modesto. Donny is a retired farmer with the 7 C's Cattle Company. He is a fisherman, golfer, hunter and enjoys traveling.



By Charles Palmer

Doug Imberi	2/22/1950	#7
Steve Holly	2/19/1949	#21
Gilbert Moss	2/20/1943	#31
Mike Alves	2/9/1943	#50
Earl Glenn	2/21/1942	#126
Larry Owens	2/4/1943	#129
Faustino Saldivar	2/15/1952	#148
Roger Smith	2/23/1952	#180
Don N. Rowe	2/19/1949	#216



League Bowls Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

McHenry Bowl, 3700 McHenry Ave., Modesto

WEEK #21: SS-SG Dave Brown 234-630, HG Terry McChesney 262, HS Ron Halliday 715. **WEEK #22:** SS-SG Dave Brown 232-667, HG Jack Faria 655, HS Don Sullivan 691. **WEEK #23:** SS-HG-HS Steve Hughes 596-268-695, SG John Sherrard 251. **WEEK #24:** SG-SS Dave Brown 256-648, HG-HS Verne Masse 266-697.



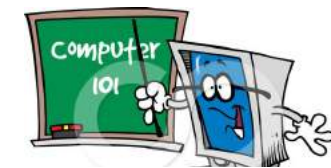
STATE BOWLING – State SIR Bowling tournaments are held many times during the year: Tues.-Wed., Feb. 12-13, Granada Bowl, Livermore. Tues.-Wed., Mar, 19-20, Diablo Lanes, Concord. Mon.-Thurs., April 8-11, Gold Dust West, Carson City, NV.

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!



New member Jeffery Chin is the new Computer Chairman. Jeff has experience in teaching with the Modesto City School system and specialized in computer education. He will be available to help members or their wives with their computers.



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.

Membership

By Charles Palmer

TRANSFER MEMBER FROM 164:

Robert J. Allendorf (Karen) Badge #36
1460 Monterey Ct.
Tracy, CA 95376-8934 510 290-4953
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NEW MEMBERS:

Jeffery G. Chin (Deborah) Badge #42
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Modesto, CA 95358-1034 209 602-3912
jefferygaryc@msn.com – Bowling, Golf

James H. Felt (Cindy) Badge #40
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Modesto, CA 95355-8622 209 402-0516
jimfelt101511@gmail.com – Golf

John Murray (Terri) Badge #18
150 Mulholand Dr.
Ripon, CA 95366-2125 209 262-5470
jfmurray52@yahoo.com – Golf

Jerry North (Linda) Badge #2
P.O. Box 579659
Modesto, CA 95357-9659 209 524-1921
jlnorth31@comcast.net – Golf

Gary M. Wasmund (Maribeth) Badge #38
3413 Sharon Ave,
Modesto, CA 95355-9793 209 505-7850
gwasmund@sbcglobal.net – Golf

MEMBER RESIGNED:

Robert S. Morris Badge #4

PHONE CHANGE:

Oscar Cherry
209 614-3085

Badge #109



STATE OFFICERS

State Pres. Ed Benson..... 925 943-7011
Reg. 2 Director Richard Kindle209 652-8608
Gov. Area 18 Patrick Reed209 289-3314

BRANCH 103 OFFICERS

Big Sir Gary Goodman578-0848
Little Sir Doug Imberi596-1298
Secretary Don Rowe634-0100
Asst. Secretary Coe Barnard 572-1937
Treasurer Tim Anglim 578-4593
Asst. Treasurer Joe Stackhouse.....543-0972
Richard Provost577-8219
Gary Del Nero681-1100
Bob Kredit.....672-0326
William "Bill" Caldwell 529-4125
Dennis Imhoff846-9529
Don Reed524-5374

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Membership Charles Palmer836-4164
Assistant Richard Provost.....577-8219
Program Chair Tom Evans551-1836
Program Chair Asst. Doug Imberi545-3053
Member Orientation, Bob Kredit672-0326
Public Relations Bob Kredit672-0326

Bowling Jim Pastorelli406-8156
Bowling Dominic Genova523-1663
Golf Chair, John Reedy869-6888
Golf Co-Chair, Kerry Newman579-7747
Golf Co-Chair, Gerald Hott602-2910
Golf Handicap Barry Meiselman574-9301
Book Exchange, Earl Glenn537-7254
Travel Area 18 Bill Stires544-2684
Merchandise Sales, Dennis Imhoff846-9529
Sales Asst., Kerry Newman579-7747
Lunch Menu, Gary Goodman578-0848
Data Processing Richard Provost577-8219
Computer Club Jeffery Chin602-3912
Special Events Richard Provost577-8219
Dine Out Dennis Imhoff846-9529
Sunshine Chair: Gary Del Nero681-1100
Chaplain Joe Stackhouse.....543-0972
Asst. Chaplain, Gary Goodman578-0848
Meal Tickets Don Rowe634-0100
RaffleRoy Bruk, Jim Bickner, Mike Filan
Table Setup, Don Rowe634-0100
Table Setup, Bill Caldwell529-4125
Table Setup, Jim Bickner522-4345
Lead Singer, Ed Davis522-4080
Backup Singer, Gary Goodman578-0848
Audit Committee: Kerry Newman, Kerry Elms
Nominating Committee: Richard Provost,

Dennis Imhoff, 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 Charles "Bob" Palmer at 209 836-4164 pepabob@hotmail.com

Executive Committee, continued from page 1

Golf: Richard Provost said that Jerry Strain is developing a new State SIR Golf website.
Bowling: NA
Merchandising: Dennis Imhoff sold some license Plates. He will order more hats for the Birthday give away.
Special Events: NA
Travel: NA.
Computer: LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER(S) TO TAKE OVER THE COMPUTER CLUB
Dine Out: Tom Evans will host on Jan. 26 at La Parilla.
Old Business: There was some discussion on changing the attendance report.
New Business:
Motion: that we have November's luncheon as an Appreciation to Veterans. Rowe, 2nd Del Nero- PASSED.
Should we have a Ladies in May for Mother's Day? Discussion was tabled to Feb.
Audit report will be discussed in Feb.
Motion: Accept the schedule for Muni Golf to be held on each Thursday this year. Reed, 2nd Provost- PASSED.
Motion: Accept the schedule for Dine out monthly. Kredit, 2nd Stackhouse.
Other:
Adjournment: 8:24 A.M.

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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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