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## Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

DEDICATED to the PROMOTION of INDEPENDENCE and DIGNITY in RETIREMENT



### Big Sir Crows By Gary Goodman

I would like to thank all of you who attended the meeting, we have such a great club and I really enjoy seeing you all and getting to know each of you. The food service has been very good the lunches are very delicious.

It was very sad to hear of the passing of three of our members, it is always hard to say goodbye to those who we spent time with and enjoyed their company and feel close to. We also need to express our regrets to Bob Palmer, with the loss of Sadie, his support dog, who we all looked forward to seeing at our golf outings and meetings.

I also want to thank all those faithful members who have served our club unselfishly over the years. We always welcome anyone who would like to volunteer for positions in our club. We are still looking for a treasurer so if you like playing with money, let me know, or Bob Kredit our nominations committee chairman. Being an assistant would help in transition, if needed.

Thanks again and see you in June, have a great month.



## June Program

By Tom Evans

Our program for June will be David Leamon, the Director of Public Works for Stanislaus County, as well as the County's Commissioner of Roads. He will speak to us about the current condition of the roads and the future. David's career with Stanislaus County began in 2007 as a Senior Civil Engineer. In 2014, he was promoted to Deputy Director. In October 2018, he was promoted to his current role. During his career with the county, his extensive experience has included oversight of design, programming, construction, roads, development services, and traffic. David enjoys spending time with his family, golfing, and camping.

## Executive Committee

By Secretary Don Rowe (First Draft)

**Attendance:** Big Sir, Gary Goodman, Little Sir, Doug Imberi, Secretary, Don Rowe, Secretary, Treasurer Tim Anglim Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse. Directors: Don Reed, Richard Provost, Dennis Imhoff, Gary DelNero, Bill Caldwell, Bob Kredit.

**Absent,** Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard  
**Committee Representatives present:** Don Reed, (Bulletin, Gary DelNero, (Sunshine), Tom Evans, (programs), Charles Palmer, (Membership). Jeff Chin (newsletter, Computer Club)

**Call to Order:** Big Sir, Gary Goodman, called the meeting to order at 7:27 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 11 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

**Reports:**

**Secretary:** Apr. 26 Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept April minutes- Rowe, 2nd Stackhouse PASSED

**Treasurer:** Treasurer, Tim Anglim reported: Beginning balance: \$4,949.23. Deposits: lunch, \$1597.59, (plus contribution, \$4.41) Donations, \$124.00, raffle, \$77.00 Contributions from lunch, \$4.41. Total receipts: \$2338.00. Checks written: \$1,705.29-Lunch, -UPS Store 1506-\$14.03. Deductions Total: \$1719.32. Balance: \$5,032.91. Motion to accept: Anglim 2nd, Kredit - PASSED.

**Membership:** 3 members have passed away, and, with regrets, are proposed to be dropped: Roland Loeffler, William Gard, and Alvin Olsen. We have 1 new member, Larry Walters. Motion to accept: Provost, 2nd Rowe-PASSED

A discussion was had about analyzing our membership applications in order to see potential candidates for Officers in our branch. This also would be able to sort "interests" to see if more clubs for our branch could be formed.

**Luncheon:** The lunch was great! The new chef is doing very well!

**Correspondence:** na

**Program:** A speaker from the Modesto Nuts gave a very brief presentation. David Leamon, from the Public Works Dept. will speak about future highways in our area. In July, we have Tony Rocha, who will do a presentation about the Castle Air Museum. In Aug. a truck driving teacher from Patterson High will speak. A future presenter may be a Rabbi speaking about terrorism.

**Sunshine:** Gary Del Nero will contact the families of our deceased members. It was good to see Jerry Zoeller at the Lunch-

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# GOLF

# Travel

By John Reedy



**Mon., June 10**  
— Creekside,  
8:00 a.m. SG,  
\$31 (cart optl.)  
Host 144.  
**Mon., June 17**  
— Manteca,  
8:00 a.m. SG,  
\$44 (cart incl.)  
Host 164.

**Mon., June 24 — Dryden (TS),**  
8:00 a.m. SG. \$30 (cart optl.) Host 103.

**Mon., July 1 — Atwater,** 8:00 a.m.  
SG, \$43 (cart incl.) Host 143.

**Mon., July 8 — Dryden,** 8:00 a.m.  
SG. \$30 (cart optl.) Host 144.

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](mailto: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, take part in 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

**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.**

**Branch 103 Website**  
[www.sirinc2.org/branch103](http://www.sirinc2.org/branch103)

By Bill Stires

## 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.

Mark your calendars for these future trips:

Apple Hill and overnight in Reno — October 9-10, 2019 — Minden—Reno — Sparks — High Hill Ranch. \$286 p/p dbl.

Holiday Show and overnight in Reno — December 4-5, 2019  
Prices to come soon!

## 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 trav-

el at 544-2684 or cell ph. 209 988-5445. 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.



Little Sir Doug Imberi presented Modesto Nuts Baseball Human Relations director, Deanna Gill, with a SIR certification of appreciation. She represented the local California League team and told of the team's programs and a little about some of the top Seattle Mariner's prospects for future Major League play.

## 103 Dine-Out

The next Couple's Dine Out will be at **BEIJING RESTAURANT** **TUESDAY, JUNE 25**

3848 McHenry Ave., Modesto  
Meet 4:30 pm Dinner 5:00 pm

\$10 corking fee for wine

Your hosts will be Gary and Molly Del Nero

Please confirm your reservations by

E-mail or ph. 681-1100 email

[garydelnero@gmail.com](mailto:garydelnero@gmail.com) for reservations

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

## LADIES' DINE-OUT

The ladies luncheon  
Every Third Thursday  
At 11:30 A.M.

Thursday, June 16  
At Shangri-La

1300 McHenry, 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.

# New Members



L-R: New members Don Bak and Randy Cherry with Orientation Chairman Bob Kredit. Don lives in Turlock learned about SIR in The Modesto Bee. Retired and likes bowling, cooking, digital photos. Gardening, veterans and yoga. Randy is married to Rosalb and they live in Modesto. Retired from Frito-Lay as a maintenance tech. Interested in biking, computer training, fishing, golf, horseshoes, woodworking.

## Membership

By Charles "Bob" Palmer

### NEW MEMBERS:

**Larry A. Walters (Dedra)** Badge #26  
2104 Lunar Dr., Ceres, CA 95307  
209-484-2074

LARRYWALTERS1981@yahoo.com

Baseball, Football, Golf, Army Veteran

**Howard Woolley (Susan)** Badge #52  
1505 Maplewood, Modesto, CA 95350  
209-521-6772

BSWoolley@gmail.com

Bowling, Fishing, Football, Wine Tasting,  
Woodworking, Retired Firefighter

### DECEASED MEMBERS:

**Alvin Olsen** Badge #26  
**William "Bill" Gard** Badge #82  
**Roland Loeffler** Badge #168



By Charles "Bob" Palmer

John Murray	6/05/1952	#18
Pete A. Maxin	6/19/1943	#19
Vic M. Whaley	6/29/1953	#20
Don Stevenson	6/02/1950	#41
David Martin	6/03/1929	#62
Jerry Zoller	6/25/1943	#69
George Dunham	6/03/1950	#71
Bill Axtell	6/26/1947	#90
Darwin Skiles	6/06/1937	#100
Joe Perez	6/01/1937	#162
Carl Nowicki	6/22/1947	#182
Richard Nelson	6/23/1947	#197

## Bowling

League Bowls Tuesdays at 1 p.m. (In Recess)  
McHenry Bowl, 3700 McHenry Ave., Modesto

**STATE BOWLING** — State SIR Bowling tournaments are held many times during the year: Tues., June 18, Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl. Dublin. Mon.-Tues., July 8-9, Nu Generation, Yuba City. Fri.-Mon., July 19-22, Knotty Pines Lanes, Pollock Pines. Mon.-Thurs.,

Aug. 12-15, Gold Dust West, Carson City, NV. Fri.-Sat., Sept. 13-14, Carson Lanes, Carson City, NV. Tues.-Wed., Oct. 1-2, Fireside Lanes, Citrus Heights.

Check the State SIR Bowling at [sirinc.org](http://sirinc.org) or contact bowling chairman Jim Pastorelli at 406-8156 for applications.

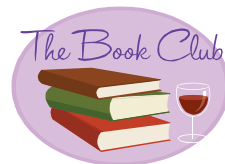
Lots of fun bowling. For entry forms or for joining a team, call bowling chairman Jim Pastorelli 406-8156.

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!

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.



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



Jeffery Chin is the new Computer Chairman. He will be available to help members or their wives with their computers and smart phones. His telephone number is 209-602-3912, and his email address is [jefferygaryc@msn.com](mailto:jefferygaryc@msn.com).

**STATE OFFICERS**

State Pres. Ed Benson..... 925 943-7011  
 Reg. 2 Director Richard Kindle .....209 652-8608  
 Gov. Area 18 Patrick Reed .....209 289-3314

**BRANCH 103 OFFICERS**

Big Sir Gary Goodman .....578-0848  
 Little Sir Doug Imberi .....596-1298  
 Secretary Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Asst. Secretary Coe Barnard ..... 572-1937  
 Treasurer Tim Anglim .....578-4593  
 Asst. Treasurer Joe Stackhouse.....543-0972  
 Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Gary Del Nero .....681-1100  
 Bob Kredit.....672-0326  
 William "Bill" Caldwell .....529-4125  
 Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Don Reed .....524-5374

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

Membership Charles Palmer .....836-4164  
 Assistant Richard Provost.....577-8219  
 Program Chair Tom Evans .....551-1836  
 Program Chair Asst. Doug Imberi .....545-3053  
 Member Orientation, Bob Kredit .....672-0326  
 Public Relations Bob Kredit .....672-0326

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 Handicap Barry Meiselman .....574-9301  
 Book Exchange, Earl Glenn .....537-7254  
 Travel Area 18 Bill Stires 988-5445, 544-2684  
 Merchandise Sales, Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Sales Asst., Kerry Newman .....579-7747  
 Lunch Menu, Gary Goodman .....578-0848  
 Data Processing Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Computer Club Jeffery Chin .....602-3912  
 Special Events Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 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 .....Roy Bruk, Jim Bickner, Mike Filan  
 Table Setup, Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Table Setup, Bill Caldwell .....529-4125  
 Table Setup, Jim Bickner .....522-4345  
 Lead Singer, Ed Davis .....522-4080  
 Backup Singer, Gary Goodman .....578-0848  
 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

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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

**NOTICE!!**

**If you are unable to attend the  
 Monthly Luncheon, please call  
 Charles "Bob" Palmer at  
 209 836-4164  
 pepabob@hotmail.com**

**NEXT MEETING  
 Wed., June 26  
 Elks' Lodge**

**645 Charity Way  
 Modesto  
 Phone 524-4421**

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

**Executive Committee, continued from page 1**

eon. Also, Richard Provost is recovering from shoulder surgery. Coe Barnard had a knee replacement.  
**Newsletter/Thursday golf:** Don Reed reported the newsletter is going well. He and Jeff Chin are producing this month's newsletter. Don will do it in June and July. Then Jeff will take over in Aug. or Sept. Don also reported that the Thursday golf has dropped a bit the last few weeks with only 22 and 27 golfers.  
**Bowling:** NA  
**Merchandising:** Dennis Imhoff reported that State Sir is looking for a vendor to supply all branches with merchandise.  
**Special Events:** NA  
**Travel:** NA  
**Computer:** Jeff Chin is new computer person.  
**Dine Out:** Gary Del Nero will host on Tuesday, June 25, at a location to be determined.  
**Old Business:** Bob Kredit reported that the Nominating Committee has found members interested in Little Sir, and Directors. Our Treasurer, Tim Anglim and our Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse, would like to be replaced.  
 If interested in any of these positions, contact Bob Kredit, Dennis Imhoff, or Richard Provost.  
**New Business:** NA  
**Other:** Motion: Richard Provost will provide Jeff Chin the membership data base monthly- Provost, 2nd Caldwell-PASSED  
 A State SIR Director said that a recruitment video is available for branches to use.  
 Adjournment: 8:29 A.M.

**SIR DISCLAIMER and ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS**

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