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## Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

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### Big Sir Crows By Gary Goodman

Well, another month has passed and we are over half the year. It has been a very fun year for me and I hope for you. I have enjoyed playing golf on Mondays with the SIR golf group and I hope you all have found a connection with other members of our club.

We have a great bunch of guys to have fun with. That being said, our Little Sir Doug Imberi has come up with a great idea. We will be having several fun events before the meeting each month. Some of those include corn hole, horseshoes, cribbage and chess. So far these are the suggestions we are working on. So come early but not before 9 and see what we have.

Also, next month we will be voting on our new slate of officers for 2020, so if you are interested, or know of someone who is interested in one of our many positions, please let me know ASAP.

See you next month, until then be safe and enjoy.



### August Program

By Tom Evans

Our speaker for August will be David Dein, a truck driving teacher from Patterson High School.

With the growing demand for qualified and well trained drivers, Patterson High School has developed a comprehensive program to train and educate students. This year long class comprised of 180 hours and consists of classroom instruction, demonstrations, hands-on exercises, and simulator experience. Upon completion of the course students will be prepared to take the CDL written exam and begin their behind-the-wheel training

### Branch 103 Website

[www.sirinc2.org/branch103](http://www.sirinc2.org/branch103)

### Executive Committee

By Secretary Don Rowe (First Draft)

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

**Absent:** Assistant Secretary, Coe Barnard, Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse. Committee Representatives present: Don Reed, (Newsletter), 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 7:25 A.M. at Marie Callender's, Modesto. There were 10 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

#### Reports:

**Secretary:** June 28 Minutes were offered for modification: Motion to accept June minutes- Rowe, 2nd Kredit-PASSED

**Treasurer:** Treasurer Tim Anglim reported: Beginning balance: \$5,007.24. Deposits: lunch, \$1561.68, (plus contribution, \$4.32) Deposit error \$15.00 less \$5.00 Donations, \$40.00, raffle, \$60.00 Contributions from lunch, \$4.32. Total receipts: \$1671.00.

Checks written: \$1704.61-Lunch, -SIR 3rd quarter assessment-\$292.00. Deductions Total: \$1,997.29. Balance: \$4,750.95. Motion to accept: Anglim, 2nd, Rowe - PASSED.

**Membership:** We have 1 new member applicant, James Wirówek. \*Motion to accept: Reed, 2nd Kredit-PASSED

\*A discussion was had about excessive absences by some of members. These members have been and, will again, be contacted. Action by the Board will take place next month.

\*Motion: In a caregiver situation, the member may bring his/her spouse with prior Board approval-Kredit, 2nd Reed- PASSED

\*Discussion about donations vs dues. Motion: Dues will be collected starting January, 2020-Kredit, 2nd Reed-PASSED

Motion: accept the membership report-Reed, 2nd Kredit-PASSED

Luncheon: The lunch very good! The cook is interested in varying the main selections. We agree.

#### Correspondence: NA

**Program:** Tony Rocha did a very good presentation about the Castle Air Museum. In Aug. a truck driving teacher, David Dein, from Patterson High will speak. In Sept. Steve Bella will talk about wine. Rabbi Bochner will be speaking about Jewish culture. November, we have Steve Bella from the Modesto PD.

Sunshine: Gary Del Nero sent a letter to the Zoeller family ex-

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# GOLF

# Travel

By John Reedy



**Mon., Aug. 5 – Atwater,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 144.  
**Mon., Aug. 12 – Manteca,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 164.

**Mon., Aug. 19 – Creekside,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$31 (cart optl.) Host 103.

**Mon., Aug. 26 – Pheasant Run,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 143,

**Tues., Sept. 3 – Elk Horn,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$44 (cart incl.) Host 144.

**Mon., Sept. 9 – Micke Grove,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$38 (cart incl.) Host 164.

**Mon., Sept. 16 – Creekside,** 8:00 a.m. SG, \$31 (cart optl.) Host 103.

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 6:30 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

**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.**

By Bill Stires

## THE BEACH BLANKET BABYLON TRIP IS FULL – WAIT LIST

Minden - Reno - Apple Hill  
 Overnight stay at Eldorado  
 October 9-10, 2019

Prices: \$286.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy, \$319.00 Single.

### \* TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- \* Deluxe Storer Coachways Motor-coach Transportation
- \* Free time gambling at the Carson Valley Inn Casino
- \* Accommodations in Reno at the Eldorado Hotel & Casino
- \* Dinner & The Illusionists Experience Show at the Eldorado Show-room
- \* Eldorado Hotel Breakfast Buffet coupon
- \* Free time for gambling at a Casino
- \* High Hill Ranch Apple Fritter with free time for browsing
- \* \$17.00 total in Casino Bonus Packages (subject to change without notice)

## HOLLAND TULIP FESTIVAL TOUR FEATURING MACKINAC ISLAND'S GRAND HOTEL May 7- 14, 2020

Price: \$3,365 Dble. \$4,415 Sgle.  
 Tour Includes: Airfare into Chicago, returning from Detroit  
 Airport transfers, 2 nights in Holland Michigan, visit Tulip Gardens and a working Windmill, attend the Festival along with the Music Parade.  
 2 nights at the Grand Hotel, the crown jewel on Mackinac Island with horse-drawn carriage tour  
 A tour of the Ford factory and watch a F150 pickup truck being built  
 Plus optional tours and much, much more, and \$40 in Mayflower Money.  
 Final payment due on January 15, 2020.

## 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

Mark your calendars  
 for future trip:

Holiday Show and overnight in Reno December 4-5, 2019

All the reservation forms are available on the SIR Area 18 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 or cell ph. 209 988-5445. 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.

## Nominated Branch 103 Officers For 2020

Nominated are the following: Big Sir Doug Imberi, Little Sir Mike Lenz, Secretary Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary Coe Barnard, Treasurer Tim Anglim, Assistant Treasurer Joe Stackhouse, Board Directors:, Gary DelNero, Vince Rucobo, Dennis Imhoff, Don Reed and Jeffery Chin. Past Big Sir Gary Goodman will also be a director.

## Couples Branch 103 Dine-Out

The next Couple's Dine Out will be at  
**COOL HAND LUKE'S  
 TUESDAY, AUGUST 27**

2505 Patterson Rd., Riverbank  
 Open 4 pm 4:30 pm Dinner 5:00 pm

\$3-\$5 corking fee for wine

Your hosts will be Jack and Joni Faria

Please confirm your reservations by

E-mail or ph. 681-8732 or 869-9200, email gma3gpa@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 member chooses the restaurant each month.

## LADIES' DINE-OUT

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

**Thursday, August 15  
 At**

**Fuddruckers**

**3848 McHenry Ave., 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



New members from left to right: Howard Woolley and Larry Walters with Orientation Chairman Bob Kredit. Howard is a retired Modesto City Fireman. He is married to Susan and they reside in Modesto. His interests include bowling, fishing, football, wine and woodworking. Larry and his wife Dedra are citizens of the City of Ceres. He is retired from the US Army and also the Hughson United School District. His activities include baseball, football, golf and Veterans.

## Membership

By Charles "Bob" Palmer

### NEW MEMBERS:

**James A. Wirowek (Diane) Badge #65**  
 2517 Van Gogh Dr., Modesto, CA  
 95356-0369 209-596=5952  
 Bocce, bowling and golf

### DECEASED MEMBER:

**Jerry Zoller Badge #69**

## CODE FOR GALLO CENTER

You can use promo code SIRS 1920 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.

**Note: Remember your \$20 Branch 103 Membership dues for 2019, if not paid! Write check to SIR 103**



By Charles "Bob" Palmer

Daniel Reeves	8/31/1949	#34
Thomas Clarke	8/2-/1947	#48
Gary Del Nero	8/30/1953	#68
Michael Brady	8/25/1941	#75
Kerry Newman	8/30/1938	#91
Joseph Stackhouse	8/31/1943	#98
Steve Hughes	8/8/1951	#115
David Brown	8/10/1947	#146
Barry Batrica	8/11/1953	#169
John Sherrard	8/7/1960	#161
Jim Bickner	8/14/1939	#165
Donald L. Carney	8/3/1946	#179
John McGrath	8/7/1950	#186
Michael Filan	8/4/1944	#196
Jim Tanquary	8/19/1943	#200
Mark Lim	8/26/1947	#231
Salvador Rodriguez	8/4/1945	#237

## Bowling

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



**THE LEAGUE 2019-2020 MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 AT 12 NOON, McHenry Bowl**

**STATE BOWLING** — State SIR Bowling tournaments are held many times during the year: 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. **Area 18 will hold the 2020 State SIR Tournament at McHenry Lanes on May 13-14, 2020. Local bowlers take note and plan on taking part!**

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

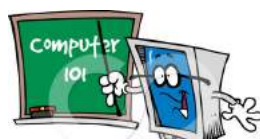
Lots of fun bowling. For entry forms or for joining a team, call bowling chairman Jim Pastorelli 406-8156.

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.



Jeffery Chin is the Computer Chairman. He is 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

## NEWSLETTER EDITORS

Don Reed ..... sir103\_57@yahoo.com ..... 524-5374  
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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**  
**Aug. 28**  
**Elks' Lodge**

**645 Charity Way**  
**Modesto**

**Phone 524-4421**

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

## Executive Committee, continued from page 1

pressing how much he had contributed to Branch 103.

Art Long is doing better. Jim Standart is having vision problems.

**Newsletter/Thursday golf:** Don Reed reported the newsletter is going well. Don will do it in July and August. Then Jeff will take over in Sept. Don also reported that the Thursday golf is doing well.

**Bowling:** There will be a meeting Aug. 6 at noon at McHenry Bowl. League action begins Aug. 13.

**Merchandising:** NA

**Data Processing:** Richard Provost revised the application form.

**Travel:** Bill Stires reviewed his travel schedule.

**Computer:** Jeff said people are coming up to him asking questions. He wants anyone who has a question about computers to see him.

**Dine Out:** Jack and Joni Faria are hosting at Cool Hand Luke's in Riverbank on Tues. Aug. 27th.

**Old Business:** Big Sir Gary will call for nominations from the floor next meeting. Voting by ballot will be held next luncheon.

**New Business:** Discussion was had about getting more members involved in other activities.

Board games and cornhole could be available before the luncheon begins. Motion: Purchase

horseshoes-Imberi, 2nd Provost-PASSED

**Other:** Motion: approve Pat Reed for Area Governor-Kredit, 2nd Provost PASSED.

**Adjournment:** 8:38 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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