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## Stanislaus SIR Branch 103

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### Big Sir Crows By Doug Imberi

WOW. What a year. It is hard to believe that things could get any worse, but here we are with thousands of people dying daily, hospitals maxed out and our capital under siege. I keep thinking we are in a science fiction movie, and hoping it ends soon. At least there is light at the end of the end of the tunnel. We should be getting our vaccine soon, and we should be turning the corner on this bad, bad dream.



**Big Sir Doug Imberi**

### January Program

By Tom Evans

Big Sir Doug Imberi will give his State of Branch 103 Address. Doug will speak about his vision for this next year for Branch 103 and his view of moving forward, including steps to increase membership and improving what the Branch does for its members.

#### ZOOM MEETING

Branch 103 Gen. Member./BEC Meeting  
January 27, 2021 10:00 am—12:30 pm  
Meeting ID 863 7659 5838 PW 163214

Enough with the pessimism. We have a new state SIR president, Stu Williams, and his number one priority is to get golf going. And if we can get golf going, perhaps the other popular activity, bowling, may not be far behind, but since that is indoors, it is a whole different can of worms. The same is true for our meetings in person. It all comes down to what the county directives are. However, Stu is going to ask the State SIR organization to allow SIR golf events with certain protocols. So perhaps, by Spring, we may be playing SIR golf once again. I don't think it will be the same as before. I don't think anything will be the same as before. It has been a tough year, but, we have made it this far and this too shall pass.

### Executive Committee

By Secretary Don Rowe (First Draft)

**Attendance:** Big SIR Doug Imberi, Little SIR Jeff Chin, Secretary, Don Rowe, Assistant Secretary Coe Barnard, Directors: Gary Goodman, Don Reed, and Kerry Newman.

**Absent:** Treasurer, Tim Anglim, Assistant Treasurer, Joe Stackhouse. Directors, Mike Filan, Gary Del Nero, Dennis Imhoff and Dennis Imhoff (Merchandise). Bob Kredit (Membership and data processing) John Reedy (Golf) Bill Stires (Travel)

**Committee Representatives** present: Tom Evans, (programs), Jeff Chin (newsletter and Computer Club), Don Reed (Thurs. Golf)

**Guests:** Area Governor, Richard Provost

**Call to Order:** Big SIR Doug Imberi, called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M. via Zoom. There were 8 Executive Board members present for a quorum.

Reports:

**Secretary:** Oct. 30 Minutes were offered for modification: MOTION to accept Sept. 25 Minutes: - Rowe, Reed-PASSED

**Treasurer:** No changes occurred.

**Big SIR:** 1. Doug suggested that next month, the BEC will meet after the General Meeting. The Board agreed.

2. When we open for luncheons, we will need to have members report if they are coming to the luncheon or not. Motion: Little Sir Jeff will send an email where members

# GOLF

By John Reedy



Remember, your NCGA dues are due now, if you haven't paid yet. Because they are late, the late fee is \$11.00, so the total due is \$59.00. The State SIR is working to reopen state golf. They have gotten directives from State Legislators that the guidelines regarding golf and outside activities are determined by the county, and golf is permitted in Tier 1, with no gatherings allowed. The State Board will take action soon on the reopening.

Ken Haub	1/01/1945	#205	Robert Allendorf	1/04/1948	#36
Julian Andona	1/07/1939	#67	Claude McMillen	1/09/1943	#76
Don Reed	1/13/1935	#57	Jim Waterman	1/14/1947	#217
John Faria	1/20/1947	#15	Emiliano Perez	1/21/1936	#220
Stephen Bruce	1/26/1949	#28	Michael McClellan	1/27/1950	#32
Robert Fachner	1/27/1954	#11	Larry Sallee	1/29/1952	#221
David Noble	1/30/1951	#9			

# Travel

By Bill Stires

**Laguna Arts Festival Pageant of the Masters in Southern California July 25-28, 2021**

**Price: \$1,995.00 Double \$2,490 Single Deposit of \$500 to hold spot.**

**Trip Includes:**

- Round trip airfare • Deluxe Motorcoach transportation
- 3 night stay at Best Western Plus in Long Beach • Tour of Ronald Reagan Library
- Gondola Cruise, Dinner at Naples Rib Company • Roundtrip transportation aboard the Catalina Express
- Avalon Scenic tour of Catalina Island • Tour of Mission San Juan Capistrano
- Admission into the Sawdust Festival • Dinner at Terra Laguna Beach
- Reserved Main Tier Center seats for Pageant of the Masters "Made in America theme"
- Guided tour of Los Angeles • Admission to the Space Shuttle Endeavour exhibit
- 5 meals: 3 breakfasts and 2 dinners
- All taxes for features, all gratuities for bus driver and guides

**EARLY RESERVATION IS URGED TO INSURE MAIN TIER CENTER SEATING**

# Travel

**New trip to Louisville to Nashville September 16-24, 2021**

**Featuring a tour of Churchill Downs and the UNESCO World Heritage site of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park**

**Including 2 nights in Louisville, Ashville, and Nashville**

**Tour Features Included:**

**Roundtrip airport transfers, Airfare into Louisville,  
returning from Nashville**

**8 day Guided tour with Tour Manager**

**Guided Tour of Churchill Downs, home of the Kentucky Derby**

**9 nights first class accommodations**

**12 meals**

**Gratuities on all included features, bus driver and tour guide**

**Price: \$3,895 per person double occupancy**

**\$4,893 single occupancy**

**\$550.00 per person deposit required to hold space**

**\$850.00 per person deposit required after May 20, 2021**

**Space is limited and sold on first come basis only**

**If interested in any trips call Bill at home phone 209-544-2684,  
cell phone 209-988-5445 or email [bstires46@gmail.com](mailto:bstires46@gmail.com) to receive  
a reservation form.**

**Friends, neighbors and relatives can go on any of the SIR trips**

**Top of Switzerland, Austria, Germany with Oberammergau and the**

**Passion Play is postponed until August 27 – September 7, 2022.**

**Holland Tulip Festival in May 2022.**

## STATE OFFICERS

State Pres. Stu Williams..... 510 865-5000  
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## BRANCH 103 OFFICERS

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 Secretary Don Rowe .....634-0100  
 Asst. Secretary Coe Barnard ..... 572-1937  
 Treasurer Tim Anglim .....578-4593  
 Asst. Treasurer Joe Stackhouse.....543-0972  
 Gary Goodman .....578-0848  
 Gary Del Nero .....681-1100  
 Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Don Reed .....524-5374  
 Kerry Newman .....579-7747

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Membership Bob Kredit.....672-20326  
 Assistant Richard Provost.....577-8219  
 Program Chair Tom Evans .....551-1836  
 Program Chair Asst. Michael Lenz ....480-8556  
 Member Orientation, Bob Kredit .....672-0326  
 Public Relations Bob Kredit .....672-0326  
 Bowling Vern Masse .....  
 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  
 Lunch Menu, Doug Imberi .....596-1298  
 Data Processing Richard Provost .....577-8219  
 Computer Club Jeffery Chin .....602-3912  
 Dine Out Dennis Imhoff .....846-9529  
 Sunshine Chair: Gary Del Nero .....681-1100

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 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: Gary Goodman, Dennis Imhoff

Honorary Life Members: Bill Caldwell, Lon Loudermill  
 and Don Reed

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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## Executive Committee, continued from page 1

shall respond whether they are coming to the luncheon or not. For the 12 that don't have email, Jeff will call them. Rowe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Good-man-PASSED.

Little SIR: No report

Membership:

Luncheon: NA

Correspondence:

Program: Our speakers for Dec., Kelly and Larry at Creekside did a great job. In Jan., Our Big SIR Doug will give that State of Branch 103 address. For Feb. Paul Schwartzbart, a Holocaust survivor, will tell about his experiences

Sunshine. Gary Del Nero reported on Wednesday that Jim Pastorelli has passed away.

Health and Safety: Kerry reported that the CDC will approve a vaccine shortly. Polls show 25% say they will not take the vaccine. He also reported that there is an app through Google where you can download it and it will alert you if you have come into contact with someone with the Covid19 virus. The FDA has approved a home testing kit that is fairly reliable.

Golf: NA

Newsletter: NA

Thursday golf: Don Reed said that it is going well.

Bowling: NA.

Merchandising: NA.

Data Processing: NA

Travel: NA

Computer NA

Dine Out: NA

Old Business: Don Reed will check with Jeff to make sure of the accuracy in our Directory.

New Business: none

Adjournment: 10:49 P.M.

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