



Make friends for life.

Our next in-person meeting together will be on **Wednesday, August 10th, social time at 11 AM, the meeting will begin at 11:30 AM.** Masking is still recommended.

We had 71 members and 1 guest attending in July and need to get those numbers up! Invite a guest, recruit through activities. We need more consistency to engage vendors to restart hot lunches.

Check your Email! Steve Behnke will send you an invitation and sign-up for our August meeting from the new email address, SIR Lamorinda Branch 171. If you do not see it in your Inbox, please check your spam (junk) email folder.



Our speaker for the August meeting: Pamela

Turner. Pamela Turner is a well-known writer of science books for young readers. In **“Crow Smarts”** which she will discuss with us, she worked with Dr. Gavin Hunt and his team in New Caledonia as they studied how New Caledonian crows learn to make and use tools. Pam has extensive experience in wildlife rehabilitation at the Lindsay Wildlife Hospital in Walnut Creek where she specializes in raising orphaned crows and ravens before releasing

them back into their natural habitat. We think you’ll be fascinated learning about these incredible birds.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Attend the Luncheon to vote for 2023 Officers and Directors!

2023 Proposed Slate Officers and Directors

Big Sir: Steve Behnke

Little Sir: Open

Treasurer: Ed Protiva

Assistant Treasurer: Rich Carmel

Secretary: Steve Patton

Assistant Secretary: Chris Harnett

Director: John Erickson (year 2 of 3)
Director: David Zeimer (year 3 of 3)
Director: Marty Aufhauser (year 1)
Director: Mike Merchant (year 2 of 3)
Director: Ed McBride (year 1)
Director: Brian Morris (year 1)

BIRTHDAYS! The prize is a free lunch (YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!)

Horst Apenroth, Tom Beals, Peter Berryhill, Rich Carmel, Bill Cooper, Bob Damaschino, Bob DeJohn, Gray Eliot, Bob Frane. Al Gertmenian, Ken Jew, Rich Kehoe, Mark Mahoney, Dave Munson, Ken Nakashima, Fred Patton, Jack Sechler, Rich Tietz, Clark Wallace, Carter Wells and Don Wolfe.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: DAVID ZEIMER

Historical Outings – Historical Outings: Ken Fischer/Jim Kline

A tour of the Joaquin Moraga adobe is scheduled for Wednesday, AUGUST 31st at 4:00. The late time is due to ongoing construction there. It will last about an hour and quarter and will be limited to ten individuals. Signups will be available at the August 10th lunch. Additional tours may be added as needed.

The final State golf event of the year will be held at the Blue Rock Springs Golf Courses in Vallejo. The event will be held on September 14th and 15th. This is a 2-day event; if a golfer wants, they can play either of the days or both. I'd ask that you take a look at the flyer on the State golf website at www.sirgolf.org for additional information. Also, there will be flyers at the August 10 branch meeting. This event is open to all SIR members, their wives or significant other, and invited guests.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: ED DRASIN

Prior Month:	240
Inductees:	1
Deductions:	4
Total, This Month	237

TREASURER'S REPORT: ED PROTIVA

Beginning:	\$8484.24
Receipts:	\$1390.00
Disbursements:	\$1923.77
Balance:	\$7950.47

WELLNESS REPORT: ERIC CHO

Bill Cooper, passed away at age 97 on June 4th, 2022.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Bill Cooper on Saturday August 20, 2022 at 2PM at the Orinda Community Church in the Fellowship Hall ([10 Irwin Way, Orinda, CA](#)). We hope to see all those who remember Mr. Cooper to come join us to share their stories and celebrate his life.***

*** Please try to contact SIR's with illnesses to offer your support and encouragement and keep them in our thoughts and prayers. A friendly call is welcome. Cards and letters are always appreciated.

*** **Please contact Steven Patton, steven_patton@hotmail.com**, if you are aware of a passing, injury, or illness of a member.

Also enjoy reading SIR Happenings, our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can find the most recent edition of SIR Happenings on our SIR State website -- click on the following link, or cut and paste the link into your browser to view – www.sirinc.org/newsletters/.