



SIERRA HILLS

Branch 79 Bulletin

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS: PBS Don Dill, PBS Ken Hansen, PBS James Musci, & PBS Kenneth Newman

BIG SIR'S REPORT

We have hopefully recovered from all the smoke filled days and humid nights. Our last 2 months have been somewhat unbearable for participating in all our SIR activities. Many of the outside sporting events have been played in smoke filled areas and our Placer County has suffered severe losses in the forest community. Our hats are off to the firefighters both near and far that brought the blaze under control.

Our thanks also go out to all members that attended our "voting luncheon" and selected the officers for the upcoming 2014 calendar year. Next years Big Sir John Rosasco has a great team working for the future of our Branch 79. Best of luck to all newly elected officers.

Finally, the big news is that tickets for our Ladies Day luncheon scheduled for December 19, 2013 go on sale at this month's luncheon. All pricing/ticket sales/seating information will be passed out by the December luncheon committee in this month's newsletter. They've done a fine job. I expect a large member turnout for this final luncheon of the year. Sales will be fast and furious.

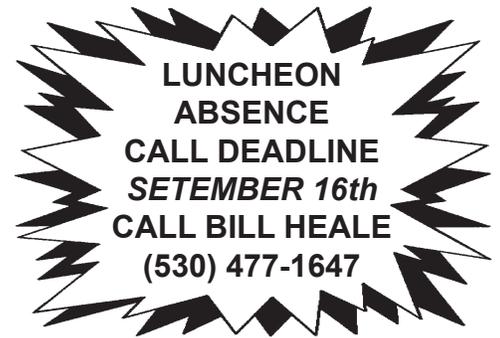
Meet our new officers for 1014: (Left to right) John Rosasco, Big SIR; James Mallery, Little SIR; Kent MacDonald, Secretary; Tom Stone, Assistant Secretary; and Terry Doan, Treasurer. Not pictured is Dwayne Starling, Assistant Treasurer.



Craig Saunders

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Chuck Stucker, Alcatraz: From early infancy through age thirteen Chuck Stucker's home, school, and playground was Alcatraz Island. During those years the prison island housed around 300 of The US Government's most hardened criminals. The prison's correctional staff, prison workers and their families nearly equaled the inmate population. Chuck's life story was the inspiration for a movie and a TV series.



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NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, September 19, 2013

Fellowship - 11:00 a.m.

Call To Order - 12:00 p.m.

Program:

Chuck Stucker, Alcatraz

Menu:

Sauerbraten and Sausage

Executive Committee Meeting:

1st Thursday of the Month

Time - 8:00 a.m.

at Denny's on Highway 49

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Sunshine:	Ken Newman	(530) 885-5576
Wine Steward:	David Blitstein	(530) 685-9576

SIR HAPPENINGS

Read the latest issue of **SIR Happenings** to keep up with the latest SIR events, local outings and trips.

It's published every February, May, August and November.

Download the latest or past issues at <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

Don't have a computer?

Contact Tony Oliveira at (530) 878-7109 and get a printed version.

LITTLE SIR REPORT

The first signs of Fall are showing up and for the SIRS that means renewing interest in our activities after a summer of family and vacations. I hope that all of you were able to enjoy the very fine summer we had here and look forward to a year of activities. The activities we participate in as SIRS are many and varied and hopefully there is something of interest for each of you. If not, let us know what you would be interested in and we may find people of like mind to join you and form a group. There are all sorts of possibilities which our group does not have organized such as various card playing groups, travel groups, hiking, pool, biking....the list goes on. It's important that we all stay active doing things that we want to do....not just what we think we should do!

The Christmas Luncheon is not too far down the road and the tickets will be on sale at the September luncheon. Price is \$18 per person. If you want to reserve a table in advance, you must buy tickets for the whole table at the same time. Otherwise tables will not be reserved. We have a good menu planned and hope that you and your guest will enjoy it.

As you will note in Big Sir Craig's article we have two new members this month. We look forward to having potential members attend each luncheon and hope that we will have new members joining each month. There are more and more seniors moving into our area and many of them are looking for activities and to meet new friends. We are here and ready for them! Bring them to meetings and see if SIRs is something they would be interested in joining. No dues, no work, just good times with like-minded folks.

John Rosasco

GOLF REPORT

Hello SIR Golfers, we had a very good tourn at Diamond Oaks and the format was enjoyed by all especially the 1st place team of Stone, Bolander,Reno, Larson. Hopefully the same format next year but not as wet and humid. Our next event is at Alta Sierra, tues Sept 24, 8:30 shotgun. Format is Shamble, 4man-2BB. Use the best drive then ea one plays his own ball. Everyone will play from the forward t's. Cost is \$43.00 includes cart and range balls. We need at least 2 players to fill out a team and any other 4 somes would be welcome. Please signup soon so that we can establish the counts and the printing of the cards. I have enjoyed the position of Golf Chair but it is time to move on. The position is open to anyone so please let me or Ken Hansen know so that we can start training or if you have done it before then we don't have to train. The Sirgeo pts have been posted and with 4 tourn left it is still a tight race. Possibly 10 players in the hunt.

Pictured are Jim Peters & Tom Stone, SIR Area 33 Low Net Club Champions

Phil Bolander & Tom Stone



DECLARATIONS

- 1. SIR Branch Standing Rules, Rule 438, Non-Responsibility Clause:** All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities.
- 2. CHECKS FOR TRIPS** (3 nights or less) must be made payable to the Branch conducting the Trip.
- 3. CHECKS FOR TOURS** (in excess of 3 nights) must be made payable to the Travel Agency involved.
SIR Branch Standing Rules, Article 8, Required Attendance, Rule 100: A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying his Attendance Committee Chairman giving a valid reason, or who attends less than six (6) meetings within the last twelve (12) months, shall be notified by the prescribed form of the pending termination of his membership.

FISHING GROUP

This summer is almost over, and many of our members had some great fishing trips. In July, the group went to Englebright Lake, and being a hot summer day, the fishing was tough, but Mark Lund did catch a nice string of fish, as seen by the picture.

Chuck Mierkey caught a nice 20 pound salmon on the Sacramento River, and David DeRosa had a good fishing trip in Eureka, as shown by the pictures of the salmon and halibut.

We are now planning our holiday luncheon, and Ivan Ichtors has offered his home again for this feast. Thank you again, Ivan.

Our group meets at 8:00AM on the second Thursday of each month at Denney's Restaurant on Highway 49. Come join us and listen to some fun fishing stories.

Co Lead Hooks David DeRosa & Tom Beale



BOWLING

Results for August 26:

Bowlers	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
Bob Towers	174	268	140	582
Michele McEntee	196	153	139	488
Roy Guy	157	136	144	437



The Sir's Monthly Round Robin bowling is also open to all SIR's wives, girl friends or significant others. Hope to see more Branch 79 SIR brothers and guests at the September event, (9/23/2013) at Tall Pines Bowl in Paradise California.

At the 11th Annual SIR National Bowling Stadium Tournament, August 2013, Branch 79 doubles team of Don Launius and Harvey Easley took second place in Division 1. Additionally, Don Launius placed fourth in the Division 2 all events category.

All seniors are welcome to join the SIRS at Foothill bowl on Fridays. Be there at 12 PM for an afternoon of informal and friendly competition.

Tom McEntee

FRIDAY GOLF REPORT

AUGUST 2, == FORMAT, any shot, must be from off putting surface. == #4, Bob Berszanski 7' 8". == #7, Dennis Beverage 1' 10". == #8, Terry Doan 8' 10". each cashed \$9.00
 AUGUST 9, ==#2, Reg Murray 4'2". == #4, Joe Dydynski 5' 3". #4, second closesest, Joel Dickerson 5' 10". each cashed \$8.00
 AUGUST 16. HEY, SOMETHING DIFFERENT, we had a 3 club shoot-out !! any 3 clubs of your choice, but 3 clubs ONLY, those that played it were allowed to tee the ball up as often as they liked, BUT NOT ON THE GREEN ! Any-way I think a GOOD time was had by all. We had a good turn-out,with a 7 places of pay-out. CTP # 4, Ben Rodriguez, 6' 9". == Most putts, Joe Argo 24. Fewest putts, Me, hooray, 12. == High score, Phil Knight. == Low score, Bob Jensen. == Most bogies, Bob Jensen. == Most Birdies, Me agin, wow. GREAT DAY FELLOWS. each cashed \$5.00
 AUGUST 23, == CTP, #2 Tony Oliveira, 4' 6". == #4 Mac McDevitt, 3' 11". == #8 Norm Bennett, "0" WOW he chipped in, good shot Norm. each cashed \$10.00
 AUGUST 30, == CTP #1 Steve Jolley, 14' 6". == CTP #3 Jim Peters, Here we go agin, WOW another chip-in GOOD SHOT JIM. == CTP #4 Mel Hagmann, 7' 5". == == CTP #8 Joe Argo, HOLY COW another chip-in, each cashed \$6.00, you guys are getting way to good. MORE NEW NAMES UP on the payout. GREAT. If anyone needs a w-2 form we can get them. Keep the cards and letters comming. I'll need a helper for 9/13, and maybe 9/20, any one interested, call or e-mail Bill Heale. Thanks everyone for a good turn out for the month.

Bill Heale

September Birthdays

Tom Beale	Bob Hyman
Steve Biggi	Ken Koch
Kirby Brock	Mac McDevitt
Steve Coffman	Tony Oliveira
Bob Devin	Ernie Perry
Joe Dydynski	Jeff Romines
Ian Grant	Rodger Tognazzini
Steve Haverberg	Bill Watson
Bill Huggins	Lyle Westoby

2013 Lunch Menu

January	Chicken Fried Steak
February	Salisbury Steak
March	Corned Beef & Cabbage
April	Pork Chops
May	Mexican/Cinco de Mayo
June	Slow Cooked Brisket
July	BBQ Ribs & Chicken
August	Roast Pork Loin
September	Fried Chicken
October	Sauerbraten & Sausage
November	Turkey & Trimmings
December	Roast Beef & Salmon

RV Activity & Travel

RV: All SIR are welcome to participate in any of our activities. Branch 79 welcomes all SIR to join with them on their RV outings. At present they have members from branches 29, 40, 49, 98, 112 and 143. For more information about the "Roamin' Wheels" contact Dick Ciccarella of Branch 98 at winnie36g@netzero.net. **TRAVEL:** West Coast Swing train tour and cruise September, 2011. Alaska cruise, May 16-23, 2011.

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ACTIVITIES

Dining Out: The Ground Cow in Penryn Wed. Sept. 25. They are under new management and will offer 3 entrees to choose from: Prime Rib, Steak & Chicken Breast. The meal costs \$20. each including tax, tip and non-alcoholic drink. Happy Hour is 3 to 6 pm. We should start arriving at 5:30, dinner is at 6. They will donate one meal coupon for our raffle. They have a reserved separate room for us. Should be fun. - Michel Self (916) 742-8215

Bocce Ball: Our Sir's Branch 79 Team is being fired up by the ITALIAN FESTA BOCCE TOURNAMENT in Penn Valley CA. this September 14th & 15th 2013. Weekly play at the Flower Farm on Auburn Folsom Rd. is available for any of you, (including wives, or Lady friends) to play also. We start at 10: AM and can play beyond the lunch hour. Come and get acquainted with a new sport and new way of enjoying yourselves. Pete Thompson (530) 823-7383 & Don Sherman (916) 663-2958

Bicycling: Ken Hansen (916) 663-4716

Bowling: Fridays, 12:00 pm at Foothill Bowl. Tom McEntee (530) 889-0605

Clothing: Jay Stanley ((901) 889-9876

Computers: Thomas Rios, see at luncheon or call (530) 615-6848

Fishing: Dave DeRosa or Tom Beale

Walking Group: Tomas Rios (530) 615-6848

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The importance of recruiting new members is crucial to a strong branch. Our turnover/departure of a number of members by moving out of the area or by family loss shows we must continue to be vigilant in our recruiting efforts. I challenge each member to bring in your guest(s) to our luncheon and then make sure you follow-up with a member application. Your positive actions in doing this make next years branch a strong branch and one that has fun in all its SIR activities. Thank you for your continued support. It demonstrates the idea that strong activities create a strong branch. Keep up the fine recruiting!

Craig Saunders

ATTENDANCE REPORT

August, 2013 - Total Members 180, Excused Absence 35, Members In Attendance 117, Guests 2, Speaker 1, Inactive 4, Unexcused Members, 28: Fred Allred, Lou Alvarez, Daniel Baldwin (3 Misses), Michael Bane (2) Bert Baumbach, Randy Beneke, J. Brown, John Cadiente, Kendall Christanson, Ken Davis (3 Misses), Fitz Fitzinger, Ian Grant (3 Misses), Lynn Hartford, Steve Haverberg, Bill Huggins, Bob Jensen, Bob Kendrick, David Landry, Bill Laplante, Mark Lund (3 Misses), Will Michaud (3 Misses), Chuck Mierkey, Ken Parsons (3 Misses), Terry Preston, Larry Seeman, Percy Stoddard, Bob Tutton, and Lyle Westoby.

Boy, all you fellow SIR sure missed out. We had a very well informed, knowledgeable, and interesting speaker, thank you Kerry Thomas, plus a great lunch. Seems like they get better every month, keep it up!

Bill Heale

SUNSHINE REPORT

I've been on vacation for the past week and a half and things are looking good while I've been gone. Ken Newman is recovering from his knee operation on August 26th. He is currently vacationing at Auburn Siena Care Center in Room 105A. If you have time, stop by to cheer him up and save him from all the nurses at his bedside. In the August SIR Bulletin Padre Ken indicated I was much older than him. This is another fable as we both have had our 68th birthday but he reached it 3 months before me! Stay well and give me a call if you know of any of our brothers who are under the weather so I can make call or visit, and send a card. I'll see you at our September 19th luncheon.

**For the Padre, Steve Coffman
(Pope or Poop, your choice)**

Treasurer Report

August began with a balance of \$2,259.00 and ended with \$2304.79. SIR guidelines suggest a cash balance of \$3,000 for our branch we are short of that by \$ 695.21. The money you put in the tube on your table at the luncheon helps cover out expenses.

Terry Doan



Bulletin Editor, Ralph Sutton, is honored for his service to Branch 79



Frank Bendrick is giving certificate of appreciation for his service as SIR 79 Photographer



Bocce Chair, Paul Petruzzelli is honored for his service to SIR 79