

BIG SIR MESSAGE - Sir Pascual Perez 671-4460

Our Nominating Committee is starting to recruit members for our Officers and the Board of Directors for next year. These positions are what keeps our branch operating and over the years many have stepped up and served. If you are a new member, please say yes to the Nominating Committee and join us in making this branch one of the best branches in the area.

I haven't talked to the nominating committee yet, but I hope some of you new members are willing to step up and take a position of leadership in our branch. It takes everyone being involved to make a well-functioning and fun organization. If you're interested in a BEC position please approach any board member or officer, we welcome your help as a volunteer in any capacity.

As Big SIR I would be remised not to remind to the membership that, in order to maintain a good club we need to grow and we have members that leave the club every year for various reasons. I would like to encourage everyone to bring a guest. Our membership goal this year is to end the year with a total membership of +1 over December of last year. I personally would like to see that number larger but let's shoot for that as a minimum. We are off to a great start, the first quarter I was very pleased to report to the State that we added five new members. Thank you.

LITTLE SIR Message - Sir Harry Barajas 639-2431

If you find yourself looking for something to do besides pulling weeds and sprucing up your yard think about joining one of our groups. Pascual talked me into playing Bocce Ball. I thought it would be a breeze tossing those little balls back and forth but it was a workout I wasn't expecting. Our Branch needs more players. Also it might be the only sport that is free! See the schedule in the Bocce Ball report. SIR Branch 109's upcoming luncheon will be Tuesday May 15, 2018 at The Plaza Room-Hillcrest Landing at noon. To celebrate Mother's Day the members are inviting their ladies for lunch. The speaker will be Kathy Harwood Graves from Graves Tax Services. She will cover the new tax law changes for 2018.

<u>GOLF REPORT - BRANCH 45/109</u> Sir John Boyer - Golf Chairman - 751-2691 GOLF REPORT , MAY, 2018

SIGN-UP AT MAY LUNCHEON

MAY 22 – TABLE MTN – 0800- 4M(SPEC) COST = \$38 JUNE 5 – COYOTE RUN – 0800 -2MBB(CAN PICK PARTNER COST = \$35 JUNE 26 – PLUMAS – 0800 -4M (1&3) BEST BALL





Reminder: May 13 is Mother's Day, and the ladies are invited to our luncheon on May 15.

SLOWTROLLERS - Sir Don Allen 743-2160

The suggestion of a Slow Trollers event on local rivers for strippers or salmon was discussed. Gary Skaggs volunteered to take the lead and to propose a time when the fish are running. A fun day is schedule at Camp Far West on April 19th. Page 9 We meet the first Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Moose Lodge, 205 S. Walton Avenue, just south of Franklin Road. Please come and Join us.





POKER CLUB Sir Ken Scott 743-0864

There will be poker games held at my house. If you are interested, please call me for date and time.

CORRECTIONS TO DIRECTORY - Correct:

TRAVEL - Sir Roy Newman Br 45 / 109 755-3713 roy.newman@comcast.net

There is no smoking or drinking of alcoholic beverages on buses. Until further notice, you may select seats on the bus in the order in which you pay for the trip. On longer trips, we change seats daily. Page 6 A reasonable tip for the bus driver is included in the total cost of the package. No collections for tips will be conducted on the buses

Yellowstone National Park Experience – Aug. 6-12th. Enjoy a "Wildlife Safari", breathtaking views, with visits to Idaho, Wyoming & Utah. Price pp/do: \$2,830 - includes home pickup, R/T air Sac. / Salt Lake City & Lots of Fun!!

Alaska Princess Cruise – Sept. 3-13, 2018. Prices from \$2,265 pp/do, includes 10-nights aboard the Grand Princess, Inland Passage ports-of-call, a stop at Victoria, BC & Scenic Cruising! Home pickup and transfers to/from San Francisco Pier.

A Tucson New Years! Dec. 30, 2018 - Jan. 3, 2019 (5-days, 4-nights). Price: \$1,950 pp/do / \$2,330 Single Occ. Price includes: Home pickup, R/T airfare, 4-nights lodging at Westward Look Grand Resort, Daily excursions, Cocktail Reception, New Year's Eve Dinner, and an evening of music and dancing, several meals, gratuities, and home transfer on Jan. 3rd.

San Antonio Spring Fiesta April 24-28, 2019 (5-days, 4-nights). Price: \$2,385 pp/do / \$3,040 Single Occ. Price includes: Home pickup, R/T airfare, 4-nights lodging at Drury Plaza Hotel (on the "Riverwalk"), Daily excursions, Reserved seats for the Annual Fiesta Flambeau Parade, several meals, gratuities, and home transfer on Apr. 28th.

Alpine Swiss Villages Tour** July 25 - Aug. 3, 2019 (10-days, 8-nights). Price: \$5,375 pp/do / \$5,995 Single Occ. Price includes: Home pickup, R/T airfare, 7-nights lodging at Hotel Silverhorn, Wengen, Switzerland and 1night lodging at Dorint Hotel, Zurich, Switzerland, several excursions, (optional excursions available for extra fees), a free day to help the Swiss celebrate "Swiss Confederation Day" (the Country's 728th Birthday!!), several meals, most gratuities, and home transfer on Aug. 3rd. **Note, this trip involves high altitudes - make sure your doctor is okay with your taking this great trip.

NOTE: The following three offerings are subject to approval by Branch 45 Board Members on May 7, 2018.

Homes of the Presidents – Oct. 10-16, 2018. Prices from \$2,850 pp/do, Follow the trail of 10 U.S. Presidents through Washington, DC, Virginia, Maryland & Pennsylvania. Prices include Home pickup and Airport Transfers, R/ T Airfare, numerous meals and excursions, lodging, Deluxe Motor coach, Most Gratuities and Baggage Handling.

Alaska Princess Land & Sea Journey – May 21-Jun 1, 2019. Prices from \$2,835 pp/do, include 5-days (4nights) visiting Fairbanks, Denali National Park, Talkeetna & Whittier and 8-days (7- nights) aboard the Golden Princess, cruising by huge glaciers and Inland Passage ports-of-call (Skagway, Juneau & Ketchikan). Prices also include Home Pickup, roundtrip airport transfers Page 7 plus roundtrip airfare to Fairbanks and return from Vancouver, plus more – see brochure from details.

Niagara Falls & Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island – Oct. 11-18, 2019. Prices include Home pickup and Airport Transfers, R/T Airfare, numerous meals and tours (including 2-nights at the Grand Hotel), Seven Nights lodging, Deluxe Motor coach, Most Gratuities and Baggage Handling. **ADDITIONAL TRAVEL NOTICES**: *Princess Cruise Lines offers on-board credit to former military service men and women, who served honorably for a minimum of two years (90-days if service was in a combat zone). Amount on credit depends on length of cruise.



Happy Birthday to: Dave Crawford, Don Elliott, Frank Geta, Del Hanlin, Ken Kauk, Fernando Mejia, and Daniel Moreno

DINING OUT - Sir Roland D'Arcy 743-8742 rolanddrc@yahoo.com

Dining out will be May 24 at 6 pm at The Refuge in Yuba City. This will be our second visit to the Refuge and we had very good service last time and anticipate the same. There is a wide variety of items on the menu, so it should meet everyone's dining needs. Let me know if you plan on attending.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Sir Roland D'Arcy 743-

Currently we have \$1130.88 in the checking account.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB - Sir Bob Engen, 845-8360 bobenme@att.net

We meet at the Waffle Barn, 590 Colusa Ave. at 8:30 the second Tuesday of each month. Come join us with your questions about photography or your equipment. We will do what we can to help you.

Here is a note from Bob Engen: This letter is being sent to SIR club members who have indicated an interest in continuing our Photo Club activities. Since 2015 we have met monthly to share our photos and to learn how to improve our abilities. Our last last meeting, which is being held on the second Tuesday of each month, was at the Waffle Barn for breakfast (8:30 a.m.). There were 10 members who helped us plan for future activities in which we hope you will be interested.

Currently we have the following trips being planned. Day trip to Table Mountain, overnight trip to Fort Bragg Botanical Gardens, and interest in Yosemite, Hwy 395 Fall color and many others. Currently we are also each bringing one of our best single photos (no larger than 8 1/2" format) for comparison and to be voted on by those attending at our next meeting. Come and join us and bring your 8 1/2" photo.

Come and join us at our next meeting on May 8th at 8:30 am. If you have questions or comments, don't hesitate call me.

Funny Jokes for Mother's Day After putting her children to bed, Jacqui changes into her old jeans and a worn out blouse and proceeds to wash her hair. As she hears the children getting more and more noisy in their bedroom, her tolerance grows thin. At last Jacqui wraps a towel around her wet head and storms into their room, putting them back to bed and giving them severe warnings. While leaving the room, she overhears her three-year-old say in a shaky voice, 'Who was "that"?'

SIR OFFICE HOLDERS

STATE: President - Derek Southern; **Vice President -** Ed Benson; **Secretary -** Ronald Flagel: **Treasurer -** Karl Ryden : **Region 1 Director -** Mark Stuart; **Area 2 Governor -** Don Dill

BRANCH 109 OFFICERS: Big Sir - Pascual Perez Little Sir– Harry Barajas; Secretary –Eric Vodden; Treasurer - Roland D'Arcy; **DIRECTORS** Larry Jones; Nelson Mowry; Gerry Dorsey; Blaine Hernrikson; Don Cochran, Dave Sparks. **Tickets -** Dennis Bissell & Nelson Mowery; **Membership** - Gerry Dorsey; **Attendance** - Bernie Zaboski.

<u>MEMBERSHIP - Sir Gerry Dorsey</u> 742-1449 As membership, attendance, and Database Chairman I need your help. I have to know what's going on. If you have an address, phone or email change. Please let me know. If you are ill and cannot come to the meetings, or if you know of some one who is, let me know. Dennis sends out cards to members who are ill or have suffered a loss.

BOWLING - BRANCH 45/109 Sir Ray Buttacavoli, 671-5599.

The results (all 38 pages) from the Carson City tournament are in and we had 13 bowlers from our area who participated. There were 258 bowlers that entered this tournament. The team of Jim Nash, Mandy Nash, Carla Burke and Larry Rathbun finished in 6TH Place earning the team \$95. Don Launius bowled with a team from Auburn (Branch 79) and they finished in 4TH Place earning the team \$115. The team of Betty Beutler, Cal Beutler, Bill Milbourne and Jeff Brockman finished in 24TH Place out of 32 teams in Division 1. The team of Chug Ullom, Ted Brandos (Branch #55), Mary Murphy and Wayne Beutler finished in 23RD Place out of 32 teams in Division 2. Page 8 In the Doubles Event, the team of Carla Burke and Larry Rathbun finished in 11TH Place in Division 1 which earned the team \$52. The team of Bill Milbourne and Jeff Brockman finished in 35TH Place out of the 68 teams in Division 1. The Doubles Team of Chug Ullom and Ted Brandos finished in 11TH Place in Division 2 earning their team \$49. There were 61 teams in Division 2, while Mary Murphy and Wayne Beutler finished in 47TH Place, Jim & Mandy Nash finished in 50TH Place, Barbara Wilson and Cal Beutler finished in 52ND Place and Don Launius and his brother Ken finished in 54TH Place. The only bowlers to "cash" in the Singles Event included Wayne Beutler (Div. 2) in 24TH Place and Mary Murphy and Carla Burke (Div. 3) in 4TH and 9TH Places respectively. For All Events (the combined total of scores from Singles, Doubles and Team events), the only bowlers to "cash" included Larry Rathbun (Div. 1) in 22ND Place, Ted Brandos (Div. 2) in 14TH Place, and Carla Burke and Mary Murphy (Div. 3) in 3RD and 15TH Places respectively. Finally, there was a Scratch (no handicap) All Events division and Larry Rathbun placed in the money in 9TH. If anyone is interested in seeing the entire set of results for this tournament, visit the State SIR website (www.sirinc.org/bowling/).

We currently have two teams of four bowlers each preparing to bowl in the State SIR tournament in Citrus Heights in mid-May. This tournament is limited to SIR members only and will consist of a Doubles Event along with the Team Event. There is still time to form a team and get the entry submitted. SIR bowlers can contact me for more details.

Our two leagues continue to bowl every Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 PM at NU Generation

BOCCE BALL - Sir Buck Foster, 743-6210

The group continues to meet Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the bocce courts, Kingwood Park on Gray Avenue, just north of Butte House Road. Please Join us.

Phone Home? Lionel phones his mother living in Springfield, MA USA.

'Mum, how are you?' he asks. 'Not too good,' answers Lionel's mother, 'I've been very weak.'

Lionel, concerned asks, 'Why are you so weak, mother?' She says, 'Because I haven't eaten in 23 days'

Lionel stammers, 'That's terrible. Why haven't you eaten in 23 days?' His mother replies, 'Because I didn't want my mouth to be filled with food if you should phone.'

Turning The Knife While assembling furniture, Liz asked her friend's six-year-old son, Ricky, to bring her a screwdriver.

'Do you want a 'Daddy' screwdriver or a 'Mummy' screwdriver?' Ricky politely inquired.

Confused by the question, Liz responded with, 'Bring me a 'Mummy' screwdriver.' Ricky returned and handed her a butter knife.