

SONS IN RETIREMENT

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TWIN RIVERS BRANCH #109

FOOD

Marysville, California Incorporated June 18, 1984 **FELLOWSHIP**

Social hour....11:00 am Luncheon.....12:00 pm

We meet the third Tuesday of every month
NEXT LUNCHEON - February 19, 2019
Plaza Room, Hilcrest Plaza, 210 Julie Drive, Yuba City

Meal ----- \$15

w/o meal ---- \$2



BIG SIR MESSAGE - Sir Harry Barajas 639-2431 or 408-605-0806

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Well, we are well on our way into 2019. For those of you who missed our January meeting, Branch 109 is proud to announce that Pascual Perez was elected Area II Governor. We all knew he was bound for bigger and better!! He and I may have news to share from our Area Town Hall meeting in Walnut Creek. The State is busy working on goals and an action plan for guid-

ance. They are encouraging more inter-branch contact to be able to share best practices. I do know that state wide many SIR branches are loosing more members than they are gaining so we will be discussing ways to attract new members. We should be pleased that our branch has increased membership by 3 this year. Keep up the good work inviting friends and new acquaintances to join.

LITTLE SIR Message - Sir Dave Sparks (916)645-3034 davidsparks@att.net

Welcome to February. All the presidential holidays and a day of love to boot. I'm happy for Tom Brady and the Patriots, but that was one of the most boring games I've ever seen. This months guest speaker will be Jackie Sillman, public relations mgr for Recology.

Thought I would tax your minds with a little a question. A history professor once called me a person with a wealth of useless knowledge. What was

the name of the second ship the Pilgrims were supposed to sail on to the new world. It sank after two attempted starts.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Sir Roland D'Arcy 743-8742 rolanddrc@yahoo.com

Treasurer Report: As of this time we have \$1,354.37 in the checking account. In January we received \$100.00 from the lunch fees and \$35.00 from the opportunity drawing. There are no outstanding bills to be paid.

Happy Birthday to:

Johnny Johnson &
Julian Rolufs



SIR OFFICE HOLDERS

STATE: President - Ed Benson; Vice President - Jim Johnson; Secretary - Ronald Flagel: Treasurer - Roy Hodgkinson: Region 1 Director - Mark Stuart; Area 2 Governor - Pascual Perez

BRANCH 109 OFFICERS: Big Sir - Harry Barajas, Little Sir– Dave Sparks; Secretary – Eric Vodden; Treasurer - Roland D'Arcy; **DIRECTORS** Gerry Dorsey; Ken Francis; Frank Vega; Pascual Perez **Tickets** - Dennis Bissell & Nelson Mowery; **Membership** - Gerry Dorsey; **Attendance** - Gerry Dorsey; **Data Base** - Gerry Dorsey

----- ACTIVITIES -----

GOLF - BRANCH 45/109

Sir John Boyer - Golf Chairman - 751-2691
GOLF REPORT - BRANCH 109 - FEBRUARY , 2019



SIGN UP AT FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

MARCH 11 - PEACHTREE, 0900 SHOTGUN, 4M2BB MARCH 26 - COLUSA, 0800 SHOTGUN, 2MBB

NOTES: -Pay at tournaments with cash only. No Checks

- -Participants not showing up at tournament and not calling in advance will need to pay \$10 and pay in advance for any following tournaments.
- -Anyone planning on playing at Coyote Run this year need to speak with me at the luncheon. Exceptions if you already have a pass into Beale (Retired military or Friends of Beale Pass).

TO CHECK ON RESULTS OF GOLF TOURNAMENTS: http://branch45.SIRinc2.org

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

Branch 109's Dining out will be at Silver Dollar Saloon on Thursday, February 28th. We will be inside this time with fewer flies and good food. The Saloon has new owners and their prices have increased slightly but the food is still the same Dinner is set for 6 pm and should be a good outing for our group. Please let me know if you plan to attend.

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.

SLOWTROLLERS - Sir Don Allen 743-2160



Last Month we had a Fun Fishing day on the 17th at Lake Oroville and a second Fun Day on the 31st at Bullards. Fishing was slow at both Lakes, only about 15 Bass and a couple of Kings were caught at Oroville. At Bullards we only had 3 boats show up, catching a total of 27 Bass. This Month we have a Fun Day at Bullards again. Water in local lakes has cooled to 47 degrees making for slow fishing.

We meet the 1st Monday of the month at the Moose Lodge in Yuba City, 8:30 - 9am Coffee and Donuts meeting to follow a 9am.

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



While we can no longer rotate between Paradise and Yuba City for our Round Robin, our bowlers have decided to continue the event each month at NU Generation Lanes in Yuba City. However, we have changed the date to the last Monday of the month and we bowl at Noon. Notifications have been sent to as many of the Paradise, Auburn and Grass Valley bowlers as we had email addresses for. With the last Monday in January rapidly approaching, I will let you know how we fared in next month's article. The first tournament of the year was in

Stockton and we had two bowlers participate. Ken Sisney finished 5TH in Singles, just 14 pins out of the money and Tony Rainey finished in 20TH. In Doubles, Ken and Tony finished in 6TH place. For All Events, Ken placed 20TH and Tony placed 39TH. The second tournament of the year was in Napa and we did not have anyone participate in that tournament.

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



BOCCE BALL - Al Moody, 301-8390, Carey Saunders, 671-5155

Bocce Ball is an easy game to learn but it can be a very hard game to master. The game is like a combination of bowling and billiards.

The game is played between two teams. It starts when the white ball (also called jack or pallino) is put into play. The team who starts rolls a ball to get it as close as they can to the jack. The opposing team then rolls up to their 4 balls to try to

get one closer to the jack. Once they do, the first team rolls up to their last 3 balls.

The game goes by fairly quickly, but there is a lot of finesse involved.

We play this game every Tuesday at Kingwood Park on Gray Avenue at 10:00

Come on out and try this game with us. It is a very easy game without a lot of physical fort involved so

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POOL Richard Sacchetti, 671-4449, Gilbert Corchado, 434-6525

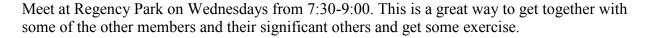
Mondays at 12:00. Play at Gold Rush Billiards next to Papa Murphy's Pizza on Gray Ave. Even if you never played pool, come on out and learn. You'll enjoy it.

BICYCLING - Bil Craig, 763-5476 - Gilbert Corchado, 434-6525



The Bicycle Club meets at the Gazebo in Regency Park in north Yuba City every Friday morning at 8:30. This is an activity that can be enjoyed by those of us who have not been on a bike in a while as well as people who have kept up with their riding skills.

WALKING - Art Worledge, 673-7382





HORSESHOES - Frank Bockus, 916-396-5349



The Horseshoe group will meet at the Veteran's Memorial Community Building located at 1425 Veterans Memorial Circle on Thursdays at 10:00. Because of the inclement weather, we will not be meeting until March. We will update the next meeting date in a future bulletin.

TRAVEL - Martin Schmidt (625)628-7843 Schmidt-martin@sbcglobal.net

There is no smoking or drinking of alcoholic beverages on buses. Until further notice, you may select seats on the bus iMn the order in which you pay for the trip. On longer trips, we change seats daily. 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.



-"5th Street Bridge Construction Tour" (from Marysville Side) - Guided tour (free). Meet (9:00 am) at Riverfront Park, near boat launch - "suit-up" and head under the bridge for a little over an hour. Tours are limited to twelve people per tour (guests are invited). The November tour was great – very interesting and informative. Much of the walk was in the dirt – suggest work shoes and warm coat. Next open tours are February, March, & April. If interested, suggest you email roy.newman@comcast.net asap. FYI: Yuba City Public Works Department has a website with photos and updates of the construction project. Go to www.5thstbridge.net - next, scroll down to the link: "5th Street Bridge-City of Yuba City"



"Sir Travel Show" - Free for Sir members, family and friends. April 10th (Wed.) - 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. At Y.C. Moose Lodge. Give-a-ways and refreshments. Sign-up at next luncheon, or call Roy at 755-3713.

Mare Island Tour - April 16, 2019 (Tues.) / Board Mini-Van and Depart YC at 8:15 am, arrive Mare Island Historic Park about 9:45 am. Tour begins at 10:00 am, and includes: St. Peter's Chapel (view Tiffany stained glass windows); former admiral's mansion (10,000 sq. ft.), which is on Officers Row, a group of stately Colonial Revival-era mansions; the dry docks and shipyard area (dates back to 1852), where ships were built, serviced, refueled, and overhauled for the Navy. Lunch at Noon: Chinese buffet (catered by local Chinese restaurant) - sweet & sour pork, pork-fried rice, chicken chow mein, wonton, lemon chicken, and fortune cookies, and includes a salad, rolls, beverages, cookies or brownies. Tour continues about 1:00 pm: Mare Island Museum (luncheon location). Tour ends about 2:00 pm, 2:15 pm board bus, and arrive back in YC by 4:00 pm. Cost per person: \$70.00 (includes guided tour, lunch and bus ride) - needing a minimum of 28 paid passengers. (bus holds a maximum of 31).

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 1-night 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.

Alaska Princess Land & Sea Journey – May 21-Jun 1, 2019. Prices from \$2,835 pp/do, include 5-days (4-nights) 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.



I took the 5th street bridge tour on January 29th, with Roland and others from both local branches. If was a very interesting hour and a half. The tour was lead by Bridge Engineer, Paul Chang. He had a lot of great information and answered every question.

The weather was perfect. I highly recommend this tour.

P.S. We didn't get to keep the Hard Hat or the Vest.

Gerry Dorsey

Dennis Bissell sent this to me. I cannot pronounce the first word but the rest is funny and thought provoking.

Paraprosdokian sentences:

A paraprosdokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. It is frequently used for humorous or dramatic effect.

- Ø Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- Ø If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
- Ø We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.
- Ø War does not determine who is right -- only who is left.
- Ø Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- Ø The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- Ø Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening,' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- Ø To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
- Ø A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. My desk is a work station.
- Ø How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?
- Ø Some people are like Slinkies ... not really good for anything, but you can't help smiling when you see one tumble down the stairs.
- Ø Dolphins are so smart that within a few weeks of captivity, they can train people to stand on the very edge of the pool and throw them fish.
- Ø I thought I wanted a career; turns out I just wanted paychecks.
- Ø A bank is a place that will lend you money if you can prove that you don't need it.
- Ø Whenever I fill out an application, in the part that says "If an emergency, notify:" I put "DOCTOR."
- Ø I didn't say it was your fault; I said I was blaming you.
- Ø Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
- Ø Why do Americans choose from just two people to run for president and 50 for Miss America?
- Ø Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
- Ø A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- Ø You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
- Ø The voices in my head may not be real, but they have some good ideas!
- Ø Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back.
- Ø A diplomat is someone who can tell you to go to hell in such a way that you will look forward to the trip.
- Ø Hospitality: making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were.
- Ø Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
- Ø I discovered I scream the same way whether I'm about to be devoured by a great white shark or if a piece of seaweed touches my foot.