



SONS IN RETIREMENT

TWIN RIVERS BRANCH #109

Marysville, California
Incorporated June 18, 1984



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

We meet the third Tuesday of every month
NEXT LUNCHEON - August 20, 2019

Meal ----- \$16

Plaza Room, Hilcrest Plaza, 210 Julie Drive, Yuba City

w/o meal ----- \$2



BIG SIR MESSAGE - Sir Harry Barajas 639-2431 or 408-605-0806 barajas.harry@gmail.com

Well, Shirley and I had a couple of great trips this summer and are happy to be home. I missed the June meeting and will miss this month, too. Gerry will be my Big Sir substitute.

Dave and I will be attending the state meeting at Thunder Valley the same day as our meeting. The state board works very hard to keep our organization up to date. We will return from the meeting with updated rules and lots of procedural suggestions. Listening to the share-outs from other branches is always interesting. Hopefully next year the meeting will not coincide with our meeting and Dave will be able to invite a few members to attend. See you all in September.

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



Greetings Fellow SIRs. Hope you're all enjoying the Hot August Nights. Sad to say that summer is drawing to an end. The children are back in school and leaves are starting to fall from the trees. Be careful driving around schools, the kids move around like darts. I'm required to attend the state SIR meeting on Tuesday so I will not be at the branch luncheon. (boo hoo) Hope all goes well and a fine meal is enjoyed. I'm not sure who the guest speaker is for this month. There has been some confusion and I hope somebody shows up.

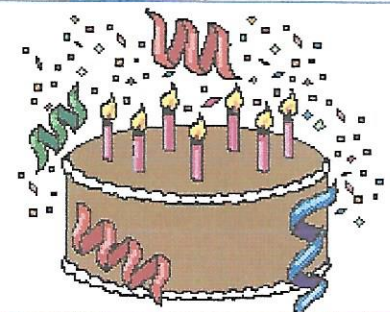
This months useless knowledge question is; When and who was the first person to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel?

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

Currently there is \$1152.42 in the checking account. All bills have been paid and we are maintaining above our \$1000.00 amount to not have a checking accounting charge.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

**Don Cochran, Roland D'Arcy, T.J. Feters,
Jim Morris, Corey Parks, Silas Stanridge,
Al Vannett, and Tom Williams**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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

At the Peachtree tournament we had 5 no-shows and at Table Mtn we had 6 no-shows. This is unfair to the team, director and the golf Course. If you sign up for a tournament plan on showing up and if you can't let the director or myself know before the day of the tournament. If you are not sure if you can make it do not sign up and call when you are sure you can play.

SIGN UP AT THE AUGUST LUNCHEON

9/10 - DAVIS - TEE TIMES ASSIGNED - 2MBB (CAN NAME PARTNER)

9-16 - RIVER OAKS - LOW NET - 0800 (MONDAY)

9-24 - PLUMAS - 4M2BB - 0800

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>

NOTE: PAYOUTS FOR TOURNAMENTS WILL ONLY BE GIVEN AT THE LUNCHEONS.

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

Branch 109's next Dining Out will be August 29th at The Refuge in Yuba City. This date is the 5th Thursday since the 4th Thursday is the same week as our SIR Meeting. The Refuge has typical American food as well as pastas. As usual our reservations are for 6 pm. The Refuge was suggested at our last Dining Out and if you have a suggestion for September's event please let me know. To make your reservations please call or email me.

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 we had a "Fun Day" at Lake Berryessa on July 18th. Bass fishing was good. This month we have a "Team Tournament" scheduled for August 15 at Collins Lake. Fishermen can weigh in Bass and Trout.

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



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

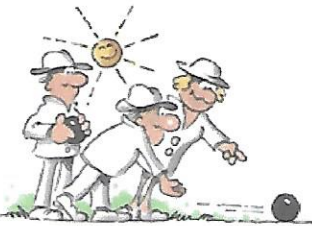


We had a successful 24TH Annual Tournament at the beginning of July. Following this article is a summary of all of the winners of the various events and divisions. We ended up with 76 total bowlers over the two days of the tournament and we paid out \$1,825 to 36 of the 76 bowlers. Using some new software to run the tournament this year, we were able to certify the results and to mail out the winners' checks within one week of the event. Of all the winners, two of our own, Dave Hrivnak and Bob Jones, deserve some special mention. Dave just started bowling with us this year and for the 6 games of the tournament, he averaged 185 a whopping 26 pins over his average. He earned a nice payday for it. Bob earned an even nicer payday by averaging 220 for the 6 games of the tournament, which was 24 pins over his average.

Our tournament was followed shortly by another tournament in Pollock Pines to which we sent 9 bowlers. We had some notable performances: Stan Gryczko placing 2ND in Singles; yours truly placing 3RD in Singles, 2 ND in All Events and 5TH in Scratch All Events; Chuck Phillips placing 15TH in Singles; the team of Tony Rainey & Ken Sisney placing 8TH in Doubles and Tony placing 14TH in All Events. I would say a pretty good performance for our group of bowlers. If you are interested, you can view the complete set of results for both of these tournaments by going to the Bowling Section of the SIR Website .

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 effort involved so everyone can enjoy it.

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

Meet at Regency Park on Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00. This is a great way to get together with some of the other members and their significant others and get some exercise.



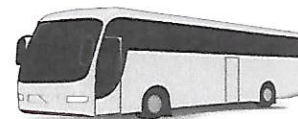
HORSESHOES - Frank Bockus, 916-396-5349



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 April. We will update the next meeting date in a future bulletin.

TRAVEL - Roy Newman, 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. 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.



I'm taking signups for the following Daytime Events - please contact me asap (see contact info. below):

DAY TRIPS

- "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" **JUNE TOUR CANCELED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST**

1st SIR Poker Tournament August 20th, Thunder Valley

As part of this year's Annual State meeting they are holding the 1st SIR Poker tournament to crown the "Best Poker Player" in our organization. The tournament will be held in the Thunder Valley Poker Room on Tuesday August 20th after the State Annual Meeting starting at 3:30pm. This is an invitation to all members to play in the tournament. They will be playing 7 Card Stud HI/LO and the tournament buy-in is \$30. This will be a timed tournament ending after 2 hours of play. No need to have attended the state meeting to play in the tournament so those of you poker players, leave our Branch 109 meeting and head to Thunder Valley.

MULTIPLE DAY TRIPS

Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup - September 25-30, 2019. Price: \$2,195 pp/do, includes airfare and home pickup. This one of a kind program includes the Roundup, Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Rapid City, Historic Deadwood, and much more - see brochure.

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta - October 10-14, 2019. Price: \$2,395 pp/do, includes airfare and home pickup. As you visit "The Land of Enchantment" you'll experience diverse cultures, rich history and beautiful landscapes during the world's largest balloon Festival! - see brochure

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.

New Year's in New Orleans - December 30, 2019 - January 3, 2020. Price: \$2,495 pp/do / \$3,065 single occupancy - includes airfare, home pickup and Airport Transfers and more. Highlights: Four Nights at the fabulous Astor Crown Plaza at the french quarter, exciting excursions, and Gala New Year's Eve Party. See brochure for details.

For new sign-ups by the end of August, get a \$50 savings per person. See Roy for details.

Hawaii 2-Island Tour - February 24 - March 1, 2020. Price: \$3,570 pp/do / \$4,495 single occupancy - includes R/T airfare Sacramento/Hawaii, home pickup and Airport Transfers and more. Highlights: 3-Nights at the Ohana Waikiki Beachcomber in Honolulu and 3-nights at the Royal Kona resort in Kona, USS Arizona memorial Tour, Honolulu City Highlights Tour, Iolani Palace Tour, Welcome Dinner at Duke's, Grand Island Circle Volcano Tour on the Big Island, and Authentic Hawaiian Luau. See Brochure.

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.

For a Stateroom Map of any Princess Cruise Ship, contact Roy Newman.

CORRECTIONS TO THE MEMBER DIRECTORY:

New Members:

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THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE has selected the following slate of officers for 2020:

**Big Sir Dave Sparks
Secretary..... Eric Vodden
Membership..... Gerry Dorsey**

**Little Sir..... Bill Sluder
Treasurer..... Roland D'Arcy**

DIRECTORS:

**Gerry Dorsey
Del Hanlin**

**Ken Francis
Pascual Perez**

Frank Vega

The members will vote to approve or amend the selection at the August Meeting.

"Will I Live To 80?"

I recently picked a new primary care physician. After two visits and exhaustive lab tests, he said I was doing "fairly well" for my age.

A little concerned about that comment, I couldn't resist asking him, "Do you think I'll live to be 80?"

He asked, "Do you smoke tobacco or drink beer or wine?" "Oh no," I replied. "I'm not doing drugs, either."

Then he asked, "Do you eat rib-eye steaks and barbecued ribs?" I said, "No, my other Doctor said that all red meat is very unhealthy."

"Do you spend a lot of time in the sun, like playing golf, sailing, hiking, or bicycling?" "No, I don't," I said.

He asked, "Do you gamble, drive fast cars, or have a lot of sex?" "No," I said. "I don't do any of those things."

He looked at me and said, "Then why do you want to live to 80."

Chocolate covered Peanuts

A tour bus driver is driving with a bus load of seniors down a highway when he is tapped on his shoulder by a little old lady. She offers him a handful of peanuts, which he gratefully munches up.

After about 15 minutes, she taps him on his shoulder again and she hands him another handful of peanuts.

She repeats this gesture about five more times. When she is about to hand him another batch again he asks the little old lady, 'Why don't you eat the peanuts yourself?' 'We can't chew them because we've no teeth', she replied.

The puzzled driver asks, 'Why do you buy them then?'

The old lady replied, 'We just love the chocolate around them.'

I hope you get better

A retired man who volunteers to entertain patients in nursing homes and hospitals went to one local hospital in Brooklyn and took his portable keyboard along. He told some jokes and sang some funny songs at patients' bedsides. When he finished he said, in farewell, "I hope you get better." One elderly gentleman replied, "I hope you get better, too."