



# SONS IN RETIREMENT

## TWIN RIVERS BRANCH #109

Marysville, California  
Incorporated June 18, 1984

# 35th Anniversary

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

We meet the third Tuesday of every month  
**NEXT LUNCHEON - November 19, 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

And what have you all been doing? I've been busy doing what I enjoy the most; chopping, splitting and stacking oak firewood for the winter. A strong competitor is all the football games, though. My golf game hasn't improved much but I sure have a good time at the SIR tournaments. If you haven't joined our fellow SIRs and guests for the dining out night, mark your calendar for the evening of the last Thursday of the month. Everyone has a great time. You can tell by the rattling windows. The event resumes in January 2020. Don't forget that next month our partners are invited to attend the Christmas luncheon. And one last thing. Last month those members attending the luncheon unanimously agreed to a yearly dues of \$20. All members will receive a letter regarding this issue from incoming Little Sir, Bill Sluder. Everyone please reply with your written choice so we are sure that all members have been reached.



**LITTLE SIR Message** - Sir Dave Sparks (916)645-3034 davidsparks@att.net  
Greetings Fellow SIRs;

It's November and the start of the holiday season. A time for good friends, family gatherings and good food. A time for sharing, caring and giving. And don't forget veterans. All the freedoms we have in this country today were secured and protected by veterans. This month's guest speaker will be David Reed. He is the Executive Director of the Yuba-Sutter Arts Council. I believe He's going to broaden our minds to the world of art. Hope to see everyone on the 19th. This month's useless knowledge question is;

*Who were the six presidents that served in the military during the Civil War?*

Regards; Little SIR Dave Sparks

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

Treasurer's Report: Currently Branch 109 has \$935.96 in the checking account. Annual dues to SIR INC will increase starting next year from \$6.00 per year per member to \$7.00. The fees are paid quarterly (\$1.75 per quarter per member). Also an expected increase in our luncheon costs to the caterer, currently she charges \$14 per meal. There will be further discussions of ways to meet the additional costs.  
Roland D'Arcy, Br. 109 Treasurer

**Happy Birthday to:**

**Dennis Bissell, Ray Caballero,  
Greg Colunio, John Hickman,  
Gary Lopez, Leo Speth**



**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; Bill Sluder. Tickets - Dennis Bissell & Nelson Mowery; Membership - Gerry Dorsey; Attendance - Gerry Dorsey; Data Base - Gerry Dorsey**  
**FOR PHONE NUMBERS CHECK YOUR BRANCH DIRECTORY**

----- **ACTIVITIES** -----

**GOLF John Boyer** 751-2691

**SIGN UP AT THE NOVEMBER LUNCHEON**

*TOURNAMENTS ARE COMPLETE FOR THIS YEAR*

NCGA DUES ARE BEING COLLECTED AT THE NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER LUNCHEONS. COST = \$39. IF PAYING BY CHECK MAKE IT OUT TO “SIR BRANCH 45-GOLF”

The Golf Breakfast is set for January 28 at 8:00 at the Moose Lodge on Walton Ave. in Yuba City. Cost is \$5 for anyone who played golf with us this year.

**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](mailto:rolanddrc@yahoo.com)

Dining Out: Dining Out is on vacation until January 2020. Branch 109 will resume after the first of the new year.

If you have any suggestions or recommendations on places to eat, please let me know. Enjoy the holiday seasons and bon appetite.

Roland, Br. 109’s D.O. Coordinator



**PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB - Sir Bob Engen**, 845-8360 [bobenme@att.net](mailto: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

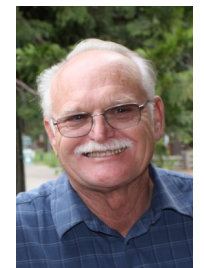


Last Month we had 2 “Fun Days” in the Delta. A mix of Black Bass and Stripers were caught, The biggest fish was a 5 pound Black bass.

This month we have a Tournament on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at Collins Lake. The fishing should be good for Bass and Trout.

The lake was recently stocked with Trout.

.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.**

Our tournament season is beginning to wind down for this year. We have tournaments in Citrus Heights and Brentwood in October, Modesto and Concord in November and the final tournament of the year in Danville in December. All these tournaments include Singles and Doubles. Bowlers interested in participating in any of these tournaments need to let me know and I will handle the entries.



My wife and I bowled in the latest tournament in Carson City, which used to be held in Lake Tahoe. In the Singles event, my wife fared much better than I did. She finished in 2ND Place in the Women's division, while I was in 7TH Place in the Men's A division. We didn't do so well in the Doubles Event, finishing in 12TH Place out of 17 teams. In All Events, my wife again outshined me by finishing in 6TH Place, just 21 pins out of the money.

We continue our weekly bowling 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 or 9:00 when it is Hot.**

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**



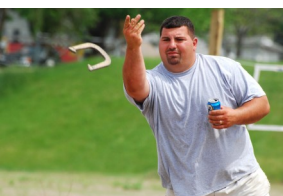
The Bicycle Club meets at the Gazebo in Regency Park in north Yuba City every Friday morning at 8:30. This is an activity that can be enjoyed by those of us who have not been on a bike in a while as well as people who have kept up with their riding skills.

**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



### **DAY TRAVEL TRIPS/TOURS EVENTS:**

**5th Street Bridge Construction Tour.** Much work on the new bridge has been completed, and much more work to be done. When the weather turns a little cooler, I'm sure we'll be able to have several monthly tours. If you (and guests) are interested, please register with Roy Newman. Your name will be put on a list. Usually, Y.C Public Works gives us 4-6 days' notice, and you'll be notified of the date and time. It's then up to you if you can go or not.

**“Wine Tasting, Bottling and Shopping Trip”** - Travel In-style to Clarksburg (just south of Sacramento) in a deluxe mini-van, and tour the Old Sugar Mill, where numerous wine-tasting opportunities await you. Saturday, **November 30th** . Cost: \$35.00 per person. See Flyer for details.

**“Victorian Christmas Tour”** - Nevada City welcomes you to visit its picturesque downtown that transforms into a genuine Christmas card come true – a magical setting of streets outlined with twinkling lights and authentic gas lamps, with wondering minstrels and carolers dressed in Victorian attire – truly, a fun time!! Choose from two dates: **December 15th or 22nd**. Cost: \$50.00 person (includes motor coach travel). Offered by Bus-Man Holiday Tours – See Flyer for details.

### **MULTIPLE-DAY TRIPS:**

**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.

**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.

**“Pacific Northern Coastal Cruise”** – 7-day Roundtrip Cruise from San Francisco aboard the Grand Princess! March 29 – April 5, 2020. Prices per person (DO) are \$1595 to \$1985 – includes Roundtrip Home pickup transfers to San Francisco Pier, plus all tipping for drivers and porters. Ports-of-call include Astoria, Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria, and San Francisco. See Brochure for details.

**“Tulip Time in Holland”** - Celebrate spring in the Netherlands and Belgium when the Keukenhof Gardens and Floralia come alive with tulips and other flowers! April 17 – 27, 2020. Seven nights on AMA Waterways' Deluxe Riverboat. Prices per person (DO) are \$5095 to \$6490 – includes: Roundtrip Home Pickup transfers and Roundtrip Airfare - San Francisco to Amsterdam, plus Guided shore excursions in every port, and much, much more – See Brochure for details.

**“Alaska Aboard the Queen Elizabeth Luxury Liner”** - June 22 – July 5, 2020. Prices per person (DO) are \$3285 to \$5525 – includes: Roundtrip Home Pickup transfers and Roundtrip Airfare - San Francisco to Vancouver, 13 nights aboard the Queen Elizabeth, and Pre-trip orientation – see Brochure for details.

### **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. For reservations, contact Roy Newman via email [roy.newman@comcast.net] or call 530-755-3713.

View & Print Trip Brochures at: <http://branch45.sirinc2.org>

## CORRECTIONS TO THE MEMBER DIRECTORY:

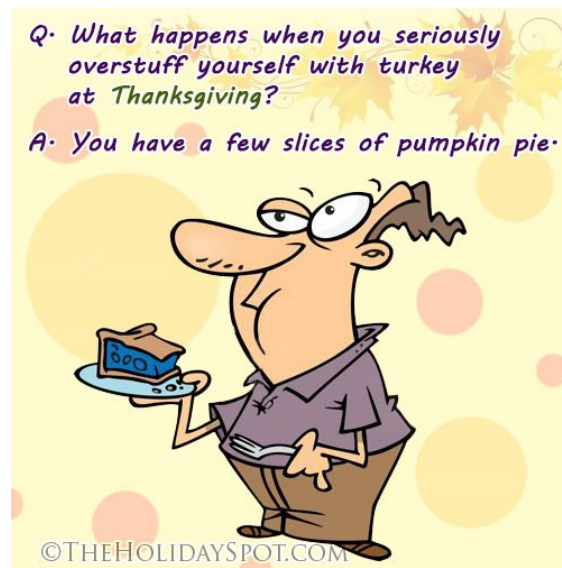
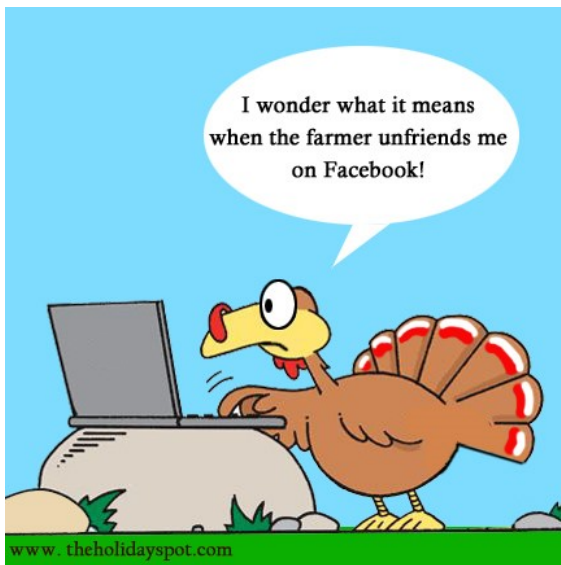
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### BOOK EXCHANGE - Don McDonel

Our book exchange program seems to be picking up steam. The last couple months have shown increased interest with additional books being brought in and more books being selected by our club members to take home for their reading enjoyment. With the weather changing, all of us are going to have more time to read. Thanks to everyone who has participated in this activity and let's keep it going.

As the selection of books increases, in order to keep it at a manageable number, excess books will be taken to the Sutter Buttes Canine Rescue Thrift Shop on Gray Avenue.



### **Pro Football Turkey**

*The pro football team had just finished their daily practice session when a large turkey came strutting onto the field. While the players gazed in amazement, the turkey walked up to the head coach and demanded a try-out. Everyone stared in silence as the turkey caught pass after pass and ran right through the defensive line. When the turkey returned to the sidelines, the coach shouted, "You're terrific!!! Sign up for the season, and I'll see to it that you get a huge bonus." "Forget the bonus," the turkey said, "All I want to know is, does the season go past Thanksgiving Day?"*

source: <http://www.jokes4us.com/holidayjokes/thanksgivingjokes.html>

What kind of music did the Pilgrims like?  
Plymouth Rock

If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?  
Pilgrims

Why can't you take a turkey to church?  
They use FOWL language.

Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive? I  
It had 24 carrots.