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MODESTO BRANCH 144

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June 2015 Newsletter

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Message from Big Sir

Patton Brooks

The May Ladies Day Luncheon was a Joyous Occasion for all in attendance. Thanks to all Members who volunteer time and effort to make things run smoothly and in order. Jerry Strain provided Name Tags for the Guests today and set up the New SIRS BANNERS.

Be sure to visit the Book Table and check out Golf, Travel, Pickle Ball, Dining Out Club and other activities. Volunteers welcome, Check with Sam Graham, Jules Manrique, Ted Nagel, Gary Williams or any Officer or Director.

From the podium to view Members and Guests during The Pledge of Allegiance and see Veterans render a Hand Salute was Moving.

Program Chairman Bill Burchell Provided Entertainment from Stanislaus State Music Department. Four vocalists with talent, poise and warm friendly personalities.

The Season's provided an excellent meal and service today. Banquet Manager: Sonha, Chef: Joe, Servers: Brandon & Freddie, Bartender: Elizabeth

LOST & FOUND

April 2, 2015 SIRS Luncheon Meeting.----Found: X-cell # 312 Hearing Aid Batteries

May 7, 2015 Ladies Day Luncheon-----Found "ZOOM" Magnifying Glass, Act Mouth Rinse, Kleenex Tissue pack

For Information call: Pat Brooks--209.522.6417, or see me at the June 4th. Luncheon.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 4, 2015 Respectfully,

Big Sir Patton Brooks

Ladies Day



SIR, Inc. Branch #144
945 McHenry Ave, Modesto, CA
Executive Committee Minutes
May 7, 2015

1. Call to Order: P.Brooks, BIG SIR - 10:10 am
2. Officers Present: P.Brooks –B.Burchell - J.Gasper – T.Watson – – A.Swofford
Directors: – B.Cardoza – S.Graham – G.King – G. Toschi – L.Davis
Committee Chairmen Present: Membership:G.King; Newsletter:G.Toschi; Sunshine:J.Manrique /
Dining Out Club: Vincent Sereno; Travel:B.Stires;
Secretary Confirm Quorum: YES
3. Previous Minutes: M/Gasper S/Watson - Approved
4. Treasurers Report: Presented by: J.Gasper
Checkbook Balance as of 03/31/2015 \$4,842.15
Petty Cash on Hand \$ 200.00
Receipts \$3,756.00
Disbursements \$2,522.05
TOTAL Balance as of 04/30/2015 \$6,076.10
Motion to accept Treasurers Report: M/Graham S/Watson - Approved
Motion to pay Vouchers: :M/Davis S/Graham - Approved
5. Little SIR Report: presented by: B.Burchell
*May Topic: LADIES DAY – Vocalists from California State University Stanislaus
June 4 Topic: John Bree- Discussion on California Water situation
*125 Ladies Day Tickets pre-sold for Luncheon
 - Committee Reports:
 - Dining Club: Thursday: Vince Sereno: May 28 @ Bella italia in Riverbank
Dining Club: Tuesday May 26 @ Pasta Pronto on Coffee Road
 - Membership: Gaylan King:
Active members 182 Last Months Attendance: 136
Deaths 1 Last Months Absent: 47
Inactive members 17 Last Months Excused 7
Pending Members 2 Last Months Members Inducted 0
Unused Badges 49 Honorary Life Members 4
Members requesting Inactive Status: 0
Members requesting to be dropped: 0
 - Sunshine: J.Manrique Cards Sent: C.Adams in Hospital - Paul Holmdahl Passed away
 - Newsletter: G.Toschi; After June Newsletter G.Toschi will no longer be Editor and Publisher of the Newsletter. – still being discussed
 - Roster – G.Williams; new Roster are completed and available
6. Old Business: 1) Chuck Adams was relieved of the duties of Activity Director, per his request. Big Sir P.Brooks appointed: Himself L.Davis & S.Graham to meet and write a formal Job Description for the position of Activity Director. STILL PENDING.
7. New Business: None
8. Next Branch #144 Executive Meeting will be: June 4, 2015 @ Season's @ 9:30am
 - Meeting Adjourned: Time 10:30 am
Respectfully Submitted: Allan Swofford, Secretary

Area 22 Travel

By Bill Stires

Hi travelers,

Take a look below at details about 3 upcoming trips.

SUTTER CREEK May 30, 2015

We have a new day trip planned to Sutter Creek in the heart of the gold country north of Jackson. There will be time to browse the quaint shops, antique shops, boutiques and local wineries. There will be a lunch at Villa Rosa II restaurant. Come join in on the fun for a great day. May 30, 2015 is the date and the price is \$96.00 per person including coffee and donuts in the morning, lunch (choices are attached) and all the gratuities. Need 20 minimum to make trip a go. All money is due in full at time of sending in reservation. All information about trip and lunch choices are attached. Send both at time of payment

WASHINGTON DC September 8-13, 2015

Mary and I had the opportunity to go to Washington DC recently viewing all the attractions for our upcoming trip and talked to our tour guide company about all the details including level of activity for all our interested travelers. Our private tour bus will take us to all of the daily sights in the city as well as into Maryland and Virginia. We will to return

to the 4 star hotel to rest and refresh before evening dinners.

20 travelers minimum needed to make the trip a go.

Western Caribbean with Princess Cruises Nov 8-15 2015

Special rate for California Residents or \$100-\$200 off the regular price. Our trip also includes an extra excursion to NASA Space Center in Houston, which is not part of the Princess Cruise. Our price includes all taxes, port charges, trip and a hosted cocktail party on board the Caribbean Princess. **The special price ends May 25th, so you need to book this quickly and directly with Ilene at Alamo Travel.** Her information is below. Don't mail the form to us as we are on a SIR cruise to Alaska and won't be home until May 22nd. So print the form and mail it to Ilene or call Ilene directly with your credit card information **(925) 837-8742 x 11** as soon as possible to join us on this fantastic opportunity

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Hope to see you on the trips and happy travels!

Contact Bill Stires for detailed flyers and reservation forms for all SIR travel. 209-544-2684

"DINING OUT" CLUBS



"Dining Out" Clubs meet either the 4th Tuesday or 4th Thursday of each month, January thru October. You are welcome to become a member. Contact "Dining Out" Club Vince Sereno at 524-9630 for information. To join the Tuesday Group, Contact Tuesday Club Coordinator Henry Solario at 578-5607 or Vince at 524-9630 for the Thursday night group.

Tuesday "Dining Out" Club

Marie Callender's

(Northeast corner of Sylvan & Floyd)

Tuesday, June 23rd---Arrive prior to 5 pm---

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Phone Host & Hostess, Henry & Karen Solario at **492-0391** by Tuesday June 16th,

with your intentions, YES I will be there, or NO, I can't be there.

Thursday, "Dining Out" Club

Information about the location of the June 25th Thursday "Dining Out" Club will be emailed or telephoned to members as soon as reservations have been confirmed

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Name		Date	Age
Altadonna	Louis	06/12/20	95
Black	Gary	06/24/45	70
Boepple	Wilbert	06/18/38	77
Borrego	Tony	06/05/33	82
Carvalcho(I)	John	06/21/43	72
Donaldson	Ken	06/20/52	63
Dwyer	Dan	06/07/27	88
Haines	Conrad	06/08/47	68
Harrison	Bryan	06/14/31	84
Nowicki	Carl	06/22/47	68
Rand(I)	Irvin	06/09/24	91
Salvi	Laurie	06/17/37	78

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Name		Spouse	Date
Altadonna	Vincent	Linda	06/24/78
Bellino	Nick	Judy	06/15/64
Boepple	Will	Virginia	06/11/60
Boike	Gordon	Delores	06/13/59
Bravard	Phillip	Peggy	06/24/71
Brooks	Patton	Patricia	06/01/63
Burchell	Bill	Edith	06/26/59
Costa	Joseph	Virginia	06/30/62
		Anne	
Danhoff	Douglas	Marie	06/07/68
Davis	Leonard	June	06/08/57
Dodd	Andre	Doris	06/06/81
Fairfield	Bernie	Sharon	06/10/92
Flores(I)	Robert	Adele	06/13/81
Gould	Rocky	Jan	06/11/88
Haub	James	Debi	06/23/79
Hopkins	Charles	Juanita	06/27/87
Nagel	Ted	Dona	06/20/70
Richards	Gene	Sue	06/19/84
Sai	John	Mary Jo	06/04/66
Stambaugh	Dennis	Jan	06/14/69
Tabacco	Edward	Karen	06/13/70
Underwood	Jerry	Joyce	06/14/00
Watson	Thomas	Cathleen	06/07/80
Zoodsma	Marion	Viola	06/01/52



June 2015 Bowling Report

High Scratch and Handicap Series and Games

Scratch Games Handicap Games

Week 34, March 03, 2015

Series: Jerry Strain	640	Tony Lopez	731
Game : Neal Mathies	258	Neal Mathies	276

Week 35, March 10, 2015

Series : Jay Faughn 683		Jay Faughn	707
Game : Jay Faughn 267		Jay Faughn	275

The season is over, Congradulations to team 15, Jack Daleth,

Tony Lopez, Ronnie Thomlison and Jay Fan our 2015 league champions.

Come join us in August, when we begin the new season.

----- 2015 UPCOMING STATE TOURNAMENTS -----

June 3 & 4 Wed & Thur Pinole Valley Lanes Pinole (510) 235-8182

June 16 & 17 Tues & Wed Tall Pines Lanes Paradise (530) 876-1782

July 13 & 14 Mon & Tues Nu Generatio Yuba City (530) 671-5599

July 18, 19 & 20 Sat thru Mon Knotty Pine Pollock Pines (530-558-9727

July 26 & 27 Sun & Mon Black Oak Casino Sonora (209) 736-4804

Aug 17, 18 & 19 Mon thru Wed Reno Bowling Stadium (530) 558-9727

We would like to see some of you attend those events. Branch 144 Bowling Chairman: SIR Vern Masse 209-538-4275

Central Valley Pickleball



Schedule

SIR 144 plays at Zerillo Park in Riverbank
Saturday 9:00am

For more info call Cal Campbell 380-0523
Tuesday 9:00am

For more info call John Gasper 863-9565
Branch 144 Pickleball Chairman:
Chuck Adams 883-2965

SIR 143 Plays at Columbia Park
600 Columbia St. Turlock
Thursday 9:00am



June 2015 Golf

Mon	June 8 th	Elkhorn	8:00 AM Shotgun
	\$43	Carts Included	Host: 144
Mon	June 15 th	Manteca	8:00 AM Shotgun
	\$29	Carts Optional @ \$15	Host: 164
Mon	June 22 nd	The Reserve	8:00 AM Shotgun
	\$43	Carts Included	Host: 103
Mon	June 29 th	Creekside (ABCD)	8:00 AM Shotgun
	\$29	Carts Optional @ \$15	Host: 143
Tue	July 7 th	Dryden	8:00 AM Shotgun
	\$27	Carts Optional @ \$15	Host: 144

Now that we have two rounds of the Match Play completed, those who go on to the final round scheduled for June 1st at Dryden need to remember to make arrangements with their new opponent should you be unable to play your match on the day of the tournament. The makeup must be before July 7th.

The tournament on June 29th is our ABCD 4-Man Scramble date. This is a tournament within a tournament. Teams are made up using golfer indexes. A-players have an index between 0 and 17.0, B-players have an index between 17.1 and 22.0, C-players have an index between 22.1 and 27.0, and D-players have an index between 27.1 and 36.4. The May first indexes are to be used for determining player ranking.

If you do not wish to be on a qualifying team and still plan to play you will be paired into random ABCD groups and play a 4-man scramble. Those who wish to go on to the State qualifier, an additional \$5 is required. Green fees plus the prize fund (\$29 for Creekside) are still required for all players. The \$5 fee per team member is for those teams who want to participate in the Qualifier. As in the past, payment by check is preferred.

Those who makeup a team need to get their team members name to me as soon as is feasible.

Please note the July 7th tournament at Dryden is on a Tuesday.

Pairings/Results, visit our Website at
<http://sirarea22.manogolf.com>.

Golf Chairman: Bill Holloway, 209-832-1421
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Recognition of Our Hard Workers

Gayland King became a member on March 5, 2009 and when asked to be Membership Chairman he said yes immediately. He had some idea what the position entailed because his late father-in-law (Otto Zimmermann) was Chairman for several for the State and our Branch.

This is a very important position because it entails constant monitoring of the membership. Each month he makes a report to the Executive Board citing new members, dropped members, as well as those members who wished to become inactive. This report is given to the Big Sir who in turns makes out a monthly status

report to the State. These figures are used to pay our monthly fees to the State that is part of the program. Gayland also coordinates his activities with the Data Chairman (Gary Williams) so our Database is kept up to date. This information is used to print our yearly Directory so it must be as accurate as possible.

Gaylan was a former appraiser for the Stanislaus County Office. He loves to travel. He is "truly a fine worker" for our Branch.



By Julius Maurique

Calendar of Events



May 30 Sutter Creek
Sept 8-13 Washington DC
Nov 8-15 Western Caribbean

Program for June 4th, 2015

Our own SIR member, **John Bree**,
will be speaking *on*

The Water Situation in California

John's experience and expertise will
give us a broad evaluation of this
timely topic.

Past Big Sirs

1988 Lynn Wood
1989 Elbow Jones
1990 Dick Benevento
1991 Warren Lawson
1992 Al Evans
1993 Joe Underwood
1994 Homer Jorgensen
1995 Don Singer
1996 Max Norton
1997 Charles Cox
1998 Dick Bachman
1999 George Harden
2000 John Shores
2001 Bob Curley
2002 Frank Pierson
2003 Julius Manrique
2004 Ed Boyle
2005 Ted Nagel
2006 George Ditman
2007 Herman Vigil
2008 Michael Mensinger
2009 Charles Shoup
2010 Gary Williams
2011 Jerry Strain
2012 Sam Graham
2013 Jerry Emery
2014 Leonard Davis

Modesto Branch No. 144 Officers

OFFICERS FOR 2015

Big Sir: Patton Brooks 522-6417
Little Sir: Bill Burchell 529-6039
Secretary:..... Gary Mc Manus 479-3134
Assistant Secretary:..... Alan Swofford 480-6539
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Assistant Treasurer: Tom Watson 577-4390

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Sam Graham 552-0960 Bill Cardoza 521-6794
Gayland King 568-7061..... Gene Toschi 402-4242
Leonard Davis 524-1526.... Chuck Adams 883-2965

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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Area 22 Golf Chairman:..... Joe Adams
Branch 144 Golf Chairman: Bill Holloway. 832-1421
Assistant:..... Andre Dodd 527-0482
Area 22 Bowling Chairman: Jim Pastorelli. 492-3777
Branch 144 Bowling Chairman:..... Vern Masse 538-4275
Branch 144 Pickleball Chairman: Chuck Adams 883-2965
Programs: Bill Burchell 529-6039
Newsletter:..... Gene Toschi 402-4242
Orientation:..... Gary Williams 578-3471
Assistants: Julius Manrique, 576-1077, Ted Nagel 869-6304
Dining:..... Vince Sereno, 524-9630, Henry Solario 578-5607
House:..... John Bates 383-5259
Attendance: Tony Salonga, 541-1944; Pert Manabat, 551-1080
Sunshine:..... Julius Manrique 576-1077
Assistant: Ted Nagel 869-6304
Chaplain:..... Norman VanWalterop 529-8169
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Book Club:..... Frank Pierson 522-1158, Joe Venturini 524-6577
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