

SONS IN RETIREMENT

MODESTO BRANCH 144

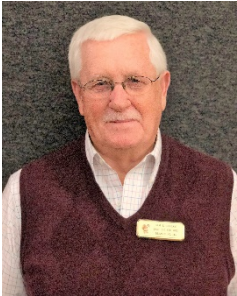
*Dedicated to the promotion of independence
and dignity of retirement*



June 2018 Newsletter

Volume 06-2018

Message from Big Sir Sam Graham



Our May Ladies Day entertainment was "All Strings Considered", led by our own Vern Masse. It was a nine piece group with many songs that, I'm sure brought back a few memories from our past. We had a wonderful meal of Chicken Cordon Bleu, beef tortellini. Vegetables, salad and dessert.....great meal prepared by Margarito and his kitchen staff. There have been some comments as to why have a May Ladies Day, when we only have 50 members that show an interest. Some feel that the December Ladies Day would be enough. Please share your thoughts to me or anyone of our officers or Board of Directors. We do want to continue to hold events or activities that include the ladies! It's been brought up before, and I will bring it up again.....there is always a need of members stepping up to fill vacancies of either officers, being involved in a committee, or helping the branch during our luncheon meeting. Tom Hampson was our chaplain and handled our invocation, but has had to give that up for personal reasons. Tom did a really great job, so now we are looking for someone to fill Tom's position. This would only require finding or composing a devotion that would fill that need.....just once a month! Same goes for needing a Secretary for next year, and they could be training under Dan Huffstatler the rest of this year. These positions require very little time, and more enjoyment by being involved! Just a reminder, as we lose members through attrition, we need to bring friends and other visitors to our luncheons.....most men don't know that SIR exists.....do them a favor, they will enjoy the fellowship. They might be surprised by the quality of our programs, the atmosphere we have in our lunches and the quality of our food! Our program for the month of June will be Tony Rocha of Castle Air Museum, we have had them in the past and it will be very interesting. See you on June 21st!

Respectfully, Big SIR Sam Graham

SHLM: Julius Manrique & Ted Nagel
HLM: Jerry Strain. Gary Williams, and
Sam Graham

LADIES DAY



Enjoying one another's company and conversation.



Entertainment "All Strings Considered"- Vern Masse(R)



Remember, if you cannot attend the luncheons please call [Gaylan King](tel:380-9896) at 380-9896

SONS IN RETIREMENT
BRANCH 144 BEC MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order, by Big Sir Sam Graham, at 10:00 AM
2. A quorum was established with the following members present: Big Sir, Sam Graham; Secretary Dan Huffstatler, Treasurer Tom Watson, Assistant Secretary Roy Hardison, Assistant Treasurer Nilo Casiano: Directors Pat Brooks, Gaylan King, Bill Burchell. Guests and Committee members present: Vince Sereno, Bill Stires, Julius Manrique, Bob Lewis.
3. Motion by Sam Graham to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2018 BEC Minutes. MOTION PASSED. 1st Tom Watson, 2nd Bill Burchell.
4. The Treasurer's Report for December was presented by Assistant Treasurer Nilo Casinano
5.

Check book balance 04/01/2018.....	\$5,634.62
Total receipts.....	\$2,016.00
Total disbursements.....	\$2,100.36
Total check book balance and Cash 04/30/2018.....	\$5,750.26

Motion by Gaylan King 2nd by Bill Burchell to accept the Treasurer's Report.
MOTION PASSED
6. Gaylan King presented the Membership Report, Included 4 applications: Harold R. DeArmond and Bob Gotelli, Michael W Slocum and Brad Hardison (vote required)
7. One Request to be Inactive: Billy Duncan (Vote Required).
8. Motion by Gaylan King, 2nd by Bill Burchell to approve the report. MOTION PASSED
9. Brief reports from Dining Club, all is well. Travel reported a new trip to Oakland Zoo and other
10. Events were not reported during this meeting due to ladies day and short meeting ...but will be listed next month at regular meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion from Big Sir about ladies day and the need for two ladies days events as we do now. Instead of just one at Christmas ..As some other branch's only hold one ...And what is the effects on the regular membership participation during the May event. This matter is still under discussion and review at future meetings when more information is available and more study and membership input is available.

Meeting adjourned 10.22AM

The time of the next BEC meeting will be June 21st 2018 at 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Huffstatler Secretary.

Area 18 Travel

WAIT LIST

TASTES AND SOUNDS OF THE SOUTH
3 NIGHTS NASHVILLE, 2 NIGHTS MEMPHIS, 1
NIGHT NATCHEZ,
3 NIGHTS NEW ORLEANS
OCTOBER 24 – NOVEMBER 2, 2018
PRICE: \$3,595 per person

Price includes all transportation, all gratuities, hand-picked Insider Experiences, plus other First Class Travel highlights.

Discounts:

Returning Trafalgar passenger \$100.00 per person

Veteran \$75.00

Make payments with check \$100.00 per person



Future trip:

Switzerland, Austria, and Germany. Stay in Oberammergau, Germany for the Passion Play (**only performed once every 10 years, performed since 1634**)

August 29-Sept. 9, 2020

The play is a staging of Jesus' passion, covering the short final period of his life from his visit to Jerusalem and leading to his execution by crucifixion.

Come hear a presentation at Raley's on Geer Road in Turlock on August 15, 2018 at 3:00 pm for more details.

August 25, 2018: Golden Gate Fields

SIR Area 18 And Friends Trip

***Minden * Reno * Sparks * High Hill Ranch* Dinner & Show * October 11-12, 2018**

Price: \$274 per person Double Occupancy

\$300 per person Single Occupancy

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

Deluxe Storer Coachways

Motorcoach Transportation

Free time for gambling at the Carson Valley Inn Casino

Accommodations in Reno at the Eldorado Hotel and Casino

Dinner + Cirque Paris Show at the Eldorado Showroom

Eldorado Hotel Breakfast Buffet

Coupon

Free time for gambling at The Nugget Casino

High Hill Ranch Apple Pie or Apple

Fritter with free time for browsing

\$17.00 total in Casino Bonus Packages (subject to change without notice)

Driver Gratuity plus coffee & donuts upon departure of tour



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"DINING OUT" CLUBS



Dining Out Club News

In May, our 4th Tuesday Club's Dining Choice was Crawfish Noodle & Grill (Vietnamese/American style food).

Evaluation—Large menu, good food, low to reasonable prices & we will return.

Contact Vince Sereno at 524-9630, if you would like to join one of our clubs.

June -- July Locations

June 12th -- (2nd Tues. Club)
Marcella's Arrive by 4:45—5 pm – (Corner of Tully & Standiford) Confirm Regrets or NEW Reservations with Host Henry Solario (578-5607) A.S.A.P.

June 26th -- (4th Tues. Club)
Velvet Grill & Creamery Arrive by 4:45 To 5 pm. 2204 McHenry Ave. (Next to McDonald's at Bowen/McHenry Signal.) Confirm Regrets or NEW Reservations with Hosts Vince & Kathy Sereno (524-9630) by Tues. June 19th.

June 28th --(4th Thurs. Club)
Mimi's Cafe Arrive by 4:45 to 5 pm 3401 Dale Road. Confirm Regrets or NEW Reservations with Host Roy Hardison at (575-4667) by Tues. June 21st

July 11th -- (1st Wed. Club)
NOTE: Date Change due to July 4th
BJ's Restaurant 3410 Dale Road (located in the new outside complex of stores & Restaurants.) --Arrive 4:40 to 5 pm. -- Confirm your Regrets or NEW Reservations with Hosts Bernie & Sharon at 262-8128 by Wed. July 4th

June Dinner Dates & Locations

June 6th—1st Wed—Modesto Sukiyaki
 June 12th--2nd Tues—Marcella's
 June 26th--4th Tues— Velvet Creamery
 June 28th--4th Thurs— Mimi's Cafe

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Name		Date	Age
Cervantes	Dennis	06/16/45	73
Green	John	06/05/50	68
Carvalho(I)	John	06/21/43	75
Haines	Conrad	06/08/47	71
Black	Gary	06/24/45	73
Salvi	Laurie	06/17/37	81
Harrison	Bryan	06/14/31	87
Altadonna	Louis	06/12/20	98

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Name		Spouse	Date	Years
Altadonna(I)	Vincent	Linda	06/24/78	40
Brooks	Patton	Patricia	06/01/63	55
Burchell	William	Edith	06/26/59	59
Burroughs	Doug	Pat	06/30/73	45
Davis	Leonard	June	06/08/57	61
Dodd	Andre	Doris	06/06/81	37
Eubank	Hall	Judy	06/29/86	32
Fairfield	Bernie	Sharon	06/10/92	26
Hampson	Thomas	Hennie	06/29/02	16
LeSage	Francis	Patricia	06/28/75	43
Medrano	John	Jojo	06/11/77	41
Moncure	Michael	Kathy	06/19/16	2
Moore	Martin	Bonnie	06/17/77	41
Nagel	LeRoy F.	Dona	06/20/70	48
O'Brian	Jack	Ardyth	06/30/62	56
Richards	Gene	Sue	06/19/84	34
Sai	John	Mary Jo	06/04/66	52
Stambaugh	Dennis	Jan	06/14/69	49
Tabacco	Edward	Karen	06/13/70	48
Watson	Thomas	Cathleen	06/07/80	38



June 2018 Bowling Report

Week 35 April 10, 2018

Congratulations to Odd Squad- Ernie Lewis(144), Tony Scoble(144), Steve Holly(103) & Bob Lewis(144) won the League 2017-2018 season.

Runner up was Wes's Rascles- Gene Cox, Larry Maxfield, Wes Rash & Alan White (all 103)

Come out for our home town tournament.

----- 2018 UPCOMING STATE TOURNAMENTS-----
June 6-7 Paddock Lanes---Pacheco (707) 745-3475

June 19-20 Tall Pines Entertainment Center
Paradise (530) 413-9373

July 9-10 Nu Generation Lanes---Yuba City
(530)671-5599

July 20-23 Knotty Pine Lanes---Pollock Pines
(530)558-9727

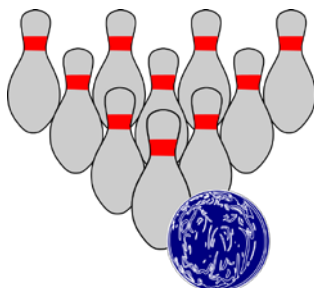
August 13-15 Reno Bowling Stadium---Reno
(530)558-9727

August 28-29 Prosperity Lanes---Grass Valley (530-
205-7877

Branch 144 Bowling Chairman: SIR Vern Masse 209-
538-4275

vnr03@sbcglobal.net

Any bowlers interested in joining SIR league, we meet at McHenry Bowl in Modesto 1:00 PM on Tuesdays. We would appreciate all bowlers to come and check it out. It's fun, and we have a good time. New season starts August 14, meet at 12 PM. Thank you



JUNE GOLF 2018



MONDAY JUNE 4	DRYDEN	CARTS: \$15.00
HOST: 144	\$ 28.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JUNE 11	MANTECA (TS)	CARTS: INCLUDED
HOST: 164	\$ 44.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JUNE 18	CREEKSIDE	CARTS: \$ 15.00
HOST: 103	\$29.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JUNE 25	ATWATER	CARTS: INCLUDED
HOST: 143	\$ 43.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JULY 2	SWENSON	CARTS: \$15.00
HOST: 144	\$ 27.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JULY 9	THE RESERVE	CARTS: INCLUDED
HOST: 164	\$51.00	8:00 AM

NOTE THE CHANGE IN COST'S FOR 2018

THE PRIZE FUND IS NOW \$9.00

THE TEE TIME CHANGES JUNE 4 TO 8:00AM

THE BEST BALL TOURNAMENT WILL BE JUNE 11 AT MANTECA.

IF YOU WANT TO PLAY, GIVE ME YOUR NAME SO WE SET UP A TEAM NO LATER THAN JUNE 4.

WE STILL NEED SOMEONE TO HELP DO THE GOLF AUDIT IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP LET ME KNOW.

WE STILL HAVE A CART PROBLEM AT CREEKSIDE AND DRYDEN.

IF YOU WANT TO PLAY THESE COURSE'S YOU NEED TO SIGN UP EARLY, NOT TWO OR THREE DAY'S PRIOR!

JAY NORRIS BR. 144 GOLF CHAIRMAN 209-606-1475
3328 VINE CLIFF WAY MODESTO, CA 95355

SIRGOLFER144@GMAIL.COM

Panama Canal Cruise on the Coral Princess

January 30 to February 15, 2019

Prices: Interior C \$3525 per person
Ocean OC \$3975 per person
Balcony BB \$4550 per person
Mini-Suite MD \$4975 per person

Cabin Categories are limited and booked on first come first served basis.

Deposit \$700.00 per person to hold cabins.

Prices include all transportation, transfers, hotel, Port Taxes and more.

Make all payment with Checks and receive \$100 discount per person

Other discounts available

Ports of call: Day 1 Pre-Cruise Night in Fort Lauderdale

Day 2-3-4 Board the Coral Princess and 2 days at sea

Day 5 Cartagena, Colombia

Day 6 Cruise the Panama Canal

Day 7 Fuerte Amador

Day 8 At Sea

Day 9 Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Day 10 San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua

Day 11-13 At Sea

Day 14 Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

Day 15-16 At Sea

Day 17 Arrive in San Francisco for the trip home

Fly to Fort Lauderdale and sail back to San Francisco.

If interested in any trips call Bill at 544-2684 to receive a reservation form with more details.

Friends, neighbors and relatives can go on any of the SIR trips.

Joe Venturini would appreciate that our Members would bring Military books in for the Book Club

Calendar of Events



**MINDEN/RENO/SPARKS/HIGH HILL RANCH
DINNER & SHOW OCTOBER 11-12 2018**

**TASTES AND SOUNDS OF THE SOUTH
3 NIGHTS NASHVILLE, 2 NIGHTS MEMPHIS, 3
NIGHTS NEW ORLEANS OCTOBER 24 –
NOVEMBER 2, 2018**

(THERE IS A WAIT LIST FOR THIS TRIP)

PANAMA CANAL JANUARY 30- FEBRUARY 15, 2019

Future Dates: Oberammergau, Germany for the
Passion Play (only performed once every 10 years)
August 29-Sept. 9, 2020

Program for June 21, 2018
The Speaker will be
Tony Rocha from the Castle
Air Museum



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
2015 Patton Brooks
2016 Bill Burchell
2017 Gary Williams

Modesto Branch No. 144 Officers

OFFICERS FOR 2018

Big Sir:.....Sam Graham 552-0960
Little Sir:.....Anthony Butera 985-3473
Secretary:.....Dan Huffstatler 691-8028
Assistant Secretary:.....Roy Hardison 575-4667
Treasurer:.....Tom Watson 577-4390
Assistant Treasurer:.....Nilo Casiano 324-5926

DIRECTORS FOR 2018

Bill Burchell 529-6039 Patton Brooks 522-6417
Gaylan King 380-9896 Keith Rogers 527-2639
Edd Santwier 605-9638 Gary Williams 578-3471

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STATE VICE PRESIDENT OF SIR, Inc ..Ed Benson 925-943-7011
DIRECTOR, REGION 2.....Jerry Morrow 586-2979
GOVERNOR AREA 18.....Rick Kindle 652-8608

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

RAMP

Recruitment:.....Jerry Emery 838-1562
Activities:.....Open
Member Relations:....Gary Williams 578-3471
Publicity/Relations:...Sam Graham 552-0960
Travel: Area 18: ..Bill Stires 544-2684
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Branch 144 Bowling Chairman:Vern Masse 538-4275
Programs: Anthony Butera 985-3473
Newsletter: ... Bob Lewis 523-7387
Data:..... Gary Williams 578-3471
Chaplain:...Tom Hampson 402-9908
Dining: Vince Sereno 524-9630, Henry Solario 578-5607
Norman Lawrence 551-5081
Attendance:.....Tony Salonga
Sunshine:..... Ted Nagel 869-6304
Assistant: Julius Manrique 576-1077
Nominating Committee: Julius Manrique, Patton Brooks & Bill Burchell
Membership:.. Gaylan King 380-9896
Book Club:.... Joe Venturini 524-6577



Please visit our website at www.sirinc2.org/branch144

The SIR website for the latest edition of SIR Happenings at: <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

If anyone knows if someone has an illness, accident, or passes, please let Ted Nagel (869-6304) or Julius Manrique (576-1077) know. Thanks!