

SONS IN RETIREMENT

MODESTO BRANCH 144

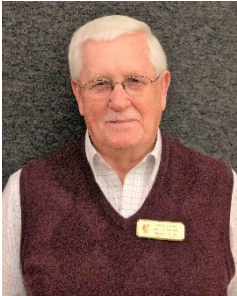
*Dedicated to the promotion of independence
and dignity of retirement*



July 2018 Newsletter

Volume 07-2018

Message from Big Sir Sam Graham



At our June meeting, our program was Tony Rocha speaking on the Castle Air Museum, with a very informative power point dealing with many aircraft on the base. At our June luncheon, we had 93 members in attendance....a little low, but we had a number of our members attending a golf

tournament in the Reno area. We at times, are missing some of our members at lunch. Please if you know these members, give them a call and let them know we are concerned. Could be an illness for the member or his wife.

Most members have now paid their annual dues. After a series of letters to the members who have not paid dues, some chose to go inactive, but still pay their dues. An inactive member means just that.....he **cannot** participate in any activity (golf, bowling, dining, travel etc.) in our branch. Some members have chosen to drop their membership for various reasons. Thru attrition, we do lose members, however this month in July we will be inducting four new members....THAT IS GOOD NEWS, thanks gentlemen for continuing to bring in new members.

With August next month, we are expected as a branch to have selected our new officers for the year 2019. Our nominating committee is meeting this week to put a list together of possible candidates to consider for the coming year. Currently we have 20 plus members volunteering for officers or other jobs that keep our branch up and running (A BIG Thank you).....that leaves about 130 members that could help us in making our branch that much stronger.....please ask any officer or volunteer where you might fit in, have some FUN, most jobs are 1 to 2 hours a month. I hope you had a GREAT 4th of JULY!! Tada! See you July 19th.

Respectfully, Big SIR, Sam Graham

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

NEW MEMBERS



Pictured L-R Bob Gotelli (NM)-Tom Weiss (Sp)
Jerry Emery (Sp)-Michael Slocum (NM)

Bob Gotelli was an Insurance Agent/Broker. He enjoys Softball, Poker, and Golf. His wife is Dee.

Michael Slocum was a Mechanic for UPS. He enjoys Golf. His wife is Joyce.

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

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



Remember, if you cannot attend the luncheons, please call ***Gaylan King*** at 380-9896

SONS IN RETIREMENT
BRANCH 144 BEC MEETING MINUTES
June 21, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order, by Big Sir Sam Graham, at 9:40 AM
2. A quorum was established with the following members present: Big Sir Sam Graham, Little Sir Anthony Butera, Acting Secretary Edd Santwier, Assistant Secretary, Roy Hardison, Assistant Treasure Nilo Casiano: Directors: Gary Williams, Pat Brooks, Gaylan King, Bill Burchell. Guests and Committee members present: Vince Sereno, Bill Stires, Julius Manrique, Bob Lewis, Don Binney, Ted Nagel and Jerry Emery.
3. Motion by Sam Graham to approve the minutes of the June 21st, 2018 BEC Minutes. MOTION PASSED.1st Edd Santwier,2nd Gaylan King.
4. Anthony Butera was officially Sworn in as Little Sir.
5. The Treasurer's Report for June was presented by Assistant Treasurer Nilo Casinano
6.

Check book balance 05/01/2018.....	\$5,550.26
Total receipts.....	\$1,496.00
Total disbursements.....	\$1,926.79
Total check book balance and Cash 05/31/2018.....	\$5,319.47

Motion by Gaylan King 2nd by Bill Burchell to accept the Treasurer's Report.
MOTION PASSED
7. Gaylan King presented the Membership Report, included 4 applications: Harold R. DeArmond and Bob Gotelli, Michael W Slocum and Brad Hardison (vote required)
8. 2 Request to be Inactive: Billy Duncan and Joe Wright (Vote Required).
9. Motion by Gaylan King, 2nd by Bill Burchell to approve the report. MOTION PASSED
10. Brief reports from Dining Club, all is well. Travel reported the new trip to Oakland Zoo was a success and other trips might be planned for this venue.
10. Bowling will start it's winter league soon..see Bob Lewis about details or read the newsletter.
11. Vince Sereno states Dining Club is doing well.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion from Big Sir about ladies day and the need for two ladies days events as we do now. This is still under discussion and a suggestion was made by Little Sir to allow members to bring a female guest at regular monthly meetings. This is under consideration by Big Sir and membership.

Letters were sent to members who have not paid annual dues and those who did not respond by the required time allowed, are to be dropped from the club. There were 11 members that did not respond back to SIRS and 3 resigned. A vote to remove them was approved..1st Gaylan King, 2nd Ed Santwier.

Meeting adjourned 10.15AM

The time of the next BEC meeting will be July 19th 2018.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Huffstatler Secretary and Ed Santwier acting Secretary.

Area 18 Travel

Future trip:

Come hear a presentation at Raley's on Geer Road in Turlock on August 15, 2018 at 3:00 pm for more details from Alamo Travel & Globus Tours

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.

Day 1: Fly to Zurich, Switzerland for a 2 night stay. Leisure sightseeing of city.

Day 2: Leisure sightseeing of city and welcome dinner.

Day 3: Travel to the towns of Affoltern (cheese factory) and Interlaken through the Jungfrau mountains

Day 4: Experience the high Alps and the Ice Palace and travel on the Mountain Train.

Day 5: Travel to Brienz, to Brunngasse and onto Lucerne, Switzerland for a 2 night stay.

Day 6: A day in Lucerne with walking tour and other sightseeing.

Day 7: Drive on to Innsbruck, Austria and pass through the Tyrolean mountains, enjoy a walk through old town Innsbruck before traveling to Oberammergau, Germany for a 2 night stay.

Day 8: The afternoon and evening are dedicated to the world famous Passion Play.

Day 9: Travel to Munich, Germany for a 2 night stay. See the Olympic Stadium and much more before having some leisure sightseeing time

Day 10 Breakfast and another day of sightseeing.

Day 11: Head for the airport and on our way home.

SIR Area 18 & Friends Presents Day at the Races!

A Golden Gate Fields Turf Club Experience!!!

August 25, 2018 * Saturday

COST PER PERSON: \$118.00 Per Person
***Minimum of 30 passengers needed by July 18, 2018 or the trip will be cancelled.**

Maximum of 44 passengers, sign up early to guarantee your seat!!

If interested in any trips call Bill at home phone 209-544-2684 or cell phone 209-988-5445 to receive a reservation form with more details.

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

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

Restaurant Recommendation for July--
Modesto Sukiyaki. Small with good food.
(Japanese & Japanese/American style).
We have enjoyed their food for 30+ years

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

July -- August Locations

July 11th -- (1st Wed. Club)

*BJ's Restaurant Arrive by 4:45--5 pm -
(Outside Mall in Restaurant complex)
Confirm Regrets or NEW Reservations with
Hosts Bernie & Sharon (262-8128) A.S.A.P.*

July 10th -- (2nd Tues. Club)

*Mimi's Café Arrive by 4:45 -- 5 pm.
3401 Dale Road. Confirm Regrets
or NEW Reservations with Hosts
Norm & Janet Lawrence--(551-5081)
(As Soon As Possible)*

July 24th --(4th Tues. Club)

*Bella Italia Arrive by 4:45 -- 5 pm
2625 K Coffee Road. Confirm Regrets
or NEW Reservations with Host
Biff Galbraith at (575-2724)
by Tues. July 17th.*

July 26th --(4th Thurs. Club)

*Bella Italia Arrive by 4:45 -- 5 pm
2625 K Coffee Road. Confirm Regrets
or NEW Reservations with Hostess
Peggy Dwyer at (204-9647)
by Thurs. July 19th.*

August 1st -- (1st Wed. Club)

*Outback Steakhouse 2045 W. Briggsmore
(Next to Corner of Sisk & W. Briggsmore)
Arrive 4:40 to 5 pm. -- Confirm Regrets or
NEW Reservations with Hosts
Jerry & Renate Thomason (916-545-0918)
by Wed. July 25th*

August Dinner Dates & Locations

August 1st—1st Wed—Outback Stkhse
August 14th--2nd Tues—Javi's
August 23rd--4th Thurs—Olive Garden
August 28th--4th Tues— La Parilla

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Name		Date	Age
Bartels	Lonnie	07/23/47	71
Bell	Red	07/29/38	80
Campbell	Cal	07/23/48	70
Graham	Sam	07/10/36	82
Irwin	Rick	07/26/44	74
Lang(l)	Dick	07/01/31	87
LeSage	Frank	07/16/51	67
Lewis	Bob	07/14/51	67
Lewis	Ernie	07/02/31	87
Lombardi	Lou	07/18/36	82
McNett	Tom	07/28/40	78
Partridge	Cliff	07/18/55	63
Simas(l)	Manny	07/08/36	82



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Spouse	Date	Years	
Dutton	Pete	Vivien	07/01/06	12
Hardison	Brad	Daria	07/28/84	34
Harris	Ron	Karen	07/05/80	38
Manrique	Julius	Barbara	07/20/63	55
Miceli	Joe	Mary	07/01/67	51
Morey	Mike	Phyllis	07/12/53	65
Pinkston	Ernie	Connie	07/17/01	17
Quintanal	Ron	Glenna	07/05/02	16
Salonga	Tony	Seny	07/06/76	42
Schamante	John	Cheri	07/19/03	15
Williams	Wayne	Sharrol	07/08/66	52





July 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-----

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

September 14-15 Carson Lanes---Carson City (H) (775-246-1027)---(C) (530)-409-3494

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



JULY GOLF 2018



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
MONDAY JULY 16	DRY CREEK	CARTS: INCLUDED
HOST: 103	\$43.00	8:30 AM
MONDAY JULY 23	CREEK SIDE (IQ)	CARTS: \$15.00
HOST: 143	\$ 29.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY JULY 30	MANTECA	CARTS: INCLUDED
HOST: 144	\$ 44.00	8:00 AM
MONDAY AUG. 6	CREEK SIDE	CARTS: \$15.00
HOST: 144	\$29.00	8:00 AM

NOTE TEE TIME FOR DRY CREEK IS 8:30 AM

ALSO, THE TEE TIME FOR THE RESERVE ON SEPT.17 HAS BEEN CHANGED TO 8:30 AM

CONGRATS TO THE WINNERS OF THE SCRAMBLES QUALIFIER.

THE NEXT TOURNAMENT IS THE INDIVIDUAL QUALIFER AT CREEKSIDE JULY 23. LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT TO PLAY.

JAY NORRIS BR#144 GOLF CHAIRMAN
sirgolfer144@gmail.com

3328 Vine Cliff Way, Modesto, Ca

209-606-1475

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



GOLDEN GATE TURF CLUB (HORSE RACING)

SATURDAY AUGUST 25, 2018

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

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 July 19, 2018

The Speaker will be United States
Volunteers Major General Daniel E.
Helix

He will speak on his involvement with
United States Volunteers-- America



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

STATE, REGION, & AREA OFFICERS

STATE PRESIDENT OF SIR, Inc ... Derek Southern 925-253-1646
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
Area 18 Golf Chairman:.. Joe Adams
Branch 144 Golf Chairman: Jay Norris 606-1475
Assistant:....Gary Hubbard 551-5253
Area 18 Bowling Chairman:Jim Pastorelli. 406-8156
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



Anthony Butera is sworn in as Little SIR by Big SIR
Sam Graham

**If anyone knows if someone has an illness, accident, or passes, please let Ted Nagel (869-6304) or Julius Manrique (576-1077) know. Thanks!
Russ Clark passed away. John Kincanon is recovering from surgery.**