SONS IN RETIREMENT MODESTO BRANCH 144

Dedicated to the promotion of independence and dignity of retirement



April 2019 Newsletter

Message from Big Sir Jerry Emery



It was great to see another strong turn out for our March luncheon meeting. Thanks to all of you for bringing guests to our luncheons and continuing our efforts to have a net gain in membership this year.

Thanks, again, to Vince Sereno for all his efforts over the years in making our Dining Out program one of the strongest in the state. As I stated in the meeting, Vince led this program from its inception of one dining out group, to the current group involving four different nights out. Thanks, Vince!

I need to thank the Officers and the Board of Directors for agreeing to reward those members who sponsor 5 or more new members in a calendar year. The survival of our chapter depends on attracting new members and new officers each year. Please let me know which reward program you would support. For now, the choices are between a certificate for a dinner out for you and your significant other or a token/award for your participation. If you have other possible suggestions, please e-mail me (<u>emeryjb1@gmail.com</u>) with those so the Board can make an informed decision at next month's meeting. We will keep you informed of the final decision.

We had 41 members sign up for our Ladies' Day in May at this month's meeting. We will have entertainment instead of a speaker this May. If you have possibilities for entertainment for the May Ladies' Day, please forward those to me or any other board member. I need to remind you that the April meeting will be the last opportunity to get signed up.

Lastly, look elsewhere in the Newsletter for information on the Giants/A's game on August 25th. Travel opportunities are also explained elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Sincerely, Big Sir Jerry Emery

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NEW MEMBER



Pictured L-R Sam Graham (SP)-Fernando Gonzalez (NM) Fernando was Chief Information Officer for Byer. His interests are:Antique Cars, Breakfast Club, Computers and Tech, Computer Training, Cooking-Group, Dinner Dances, Economic Study, Football Day, Hiking, Travel, Wine Bargains-Finders-Tasting, and Veterans.

LADIES DAY TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE APRIL LUNCHEON. SEE LEONARD DAVIS OR EDD SANTWIER.



Remember, if you cannot attend the luncheons, please call *Gaylan King* at 380-9896 by Sunday April 14. Thank you!

SONS IN RETIREMENT BRANCH 144 BEC MEETING MINUTES MARCH 21, 2019

The meeting was called to order, by Jerry Emery, at 9:31 AM.

A quorum was established with the following members present:

Big Sir Jerry Emery, Little Sir Anthony Butera, Secretary Biff Galbraith; Directors: Sam Graham, Gaylan King, Andre Dodd, Gary Williams, Jim Toepfer, Bill Burchell, Guests and Committee members present: Vince Sereno, Bill Stires, Bob Lewis, Julian Manrique, Edd Santwier, Pete Dutton.

Jerry Emery entertained a motion to approve the February 21st, 2019 BEC Minutes 1st Andre Dodd, 2nd Jim Toepfer, Motion Passed.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer's Report for February 21st was Presented by Assistant Treasurer.

Checkbook balance 2-21, 2019 \$	4,836.38
Total receipts \$	2,520.00
Total disbursements\$	1,942.68
Total checkbook and cash 2-21, 2019 \$	5,613.70

Motion by 1st Gaylan King 2nd Edd Santwier, to accept the Treasurer's Report, Motion Passed Motion to pay for additional expenses (vouchers) Bob Lewis newsletter: \$22.22, Vince Sereno case of paper: \$35.59, Gary Williams for Sir cards/Ladies day tickets, badge lamination: \$41.46, 1st Edd Santwier, 2nd Gaylan King, Motion passed.

Membership Report:

Gaylan King presented the Membership Report. One Inductee: Michael (Mike) W Ewald, (vote Required) One application: Fernando Gonzalez, (vote Required) There are Three Resignations: Mike Hamiel, Gene Richards, Rodney (Rod) Harris, (vote Required) SHLM: Julius Manrique and Ted Nagel State SHLM: Jerry Strain HLM: Gary Williams and Sam Graham Disabled Members: Vincent (Vinny) Altadonna, John Carvalcho, Howard Grieshaber. Total Members 144 active Motion by 1st Gary Williams, 2nd Edd Santwier, to approve Membership Report. Motion Passed

Committee Reports:

Travel: Bill Stires, Spring training trip was great! Will talk at meeting about other future trips and activities. **Bowling and Golf:** Doing well. **Dinning:** Vince Sereno, all is going well.

Sunshine: Edd Santwier, is now Sunshine Chair contact (605-9638)

Old Business: Need assistant Secretary, Pay your dues ASAP. Business cards being ordered. We are looking in to Music for December meeting, several groups and types of music are being looked into. <u>Please pick up Roosters from your table and place at food service table at end of meeting. (each table)</u>

New Business: Looking into some type of reward (like dinner gift card) for member that brings in 5 or more new members in one calendar year. Motion 1st Jim Toepfer 2nd Andre Dodd, motion passed. Giants/A's baseball game on 8/25, \$52.00 per person. Members interested send your own checks to **Lee Moy** (**127 N. Helm, Clovis. 93612**). All done by June 1st. You can contact yourself and send with a self-addressed envelope. Game is at 1PM our section will be 106 at Oakland stadium.

Meeting adjourned: 9:52 AM

The time of the next BEC meeting with be 9:30AM April 18^{th} , 2019

Respectfully submitted by Biff Galbraith Secretary



Cruise on the Crystal Symphony (848 passengers) August 23, 2019 – September 3, 2019

\$125.00 discount if paid by check, save 2.5% of cruise fare if paid by February 15, 2019. Final payment due: May 15, 2019

Land tour of Denali and Cruise of Alaska. 4 day land tour of Denali and 8 day Cruise of Alaska Anchorage to Vancouver. Ports of call; Seward, Hubbard Glacier, Juneau, Skagway, Ketchikan, Cruising the Inside Passage and Tracy Arms.

All inclusive (all transportation, hotels, all beverages, free wifi, pre-paid gratuities, enrichment classes and more) Shore excursions are not included.

Prices: \$5350 to \$6525 per person – depending on type of cabin.

<u>10 Night Mexico Cruise</u>

Roundtrip San Francisco January 12-22, 2020 Ports of Call: San Francisco, Puerto Vallarta, Manzanillo, Mazatlan, Cabo San Lucas, San Francisco Book by April 30, 2019 and receive on board credit of \$150 per person for Inside/Outside cabins and \$250 per person for balcony and mini-suites Other discoounts availabledepending on level of Captain Circle and veterans

Prices per person: Inside – IB \$1,895 Double, \$3,095 Single Outside – OC \$2,280 Double, \$3,875 Single Balcony – BD \$2,475 Double, \$4,475 Single Mini-Suite – MD \$3,050 Double Aft Dolphin deck \$4,975 Single Mini-Suite – MB \$3,150 Double Mid-forward midaft Dolphin Final payment due October 15, 2019

SEE PAGE 6 FOR TRIP TO SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA AND GERMANY IN 2020. (PASSION PLAY) The trip is filling up fast so don't delay and sign-up today.

> SIR Area 18 & Friends Presents Kentucky Derby Race Day! A Golden Gate Fields Turf Club Experience!!! May 4, 2019 * Saturday

The SIR Area 18 & Friends will be traveling to beautiful Golden Gate Fields Race Track for the day. Today is an extra special racing day, along with live racing, there will be a live stream of the Kentucky Derby. The times of the Kentucky Derby live stream will be advised. It is usually after the last race. Here we will try our luck to Win, Place or Show at the horse races. Upon arrival, we will receive a racing program and seating in the Turf Club. You will enjoy a delicious buffet lunch and a fun afternoon of horse racing. Afterwards, board the coach for our return ride home to Central Valley. HAPPY TRAVELS!

Come & Join the fun with SIR Area 18 & Friends as they enjoy the live stream of "Kentucky Derby Race Day" along with live racing, from a spectacular view from the Golden Gate Fields Turf Club.

COST PER PERSON:\$142.00 Per Person

<u>Minimum of 46 passengers needed by</u> <u>April 1, 2019 or the trip will be cancelled.</u> <u>Maximum of 50 passengers, sign up early</u> <u>to guarantee your seat!!</u>

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.

"DINING OUT" CLUBS



Dining Out Club News

April Info & May/June Locations

<u>April 3rd--(1st Wed. Club)</u> Canal Street Grill/Ripon--Arrive at 4:45 pm --Hosted by Gaylan & Cathey King

<u>April 9th--(2nd Tues. Club)</u> *Marcella's Mexican—4:45 pm Confirm YES/NO Reservations with Host Henry Solario at 578-5607 As soon as possible!*

<u>April 23rd--(4th Tues. Club)</u> Bella Italia/Coffee Rd. ---4:45 pm Confirm YES/NO Reservations with Hosts Gary Chalk & Barbara Baer at 521-0817 No later than April 16th

April 25th--(4th Thurs. Club)

Johnny CARINO'S Italian---4:45 pm Confirm YES/NO Reservations with Host Bob Lewis at 523-7387 - No later than April 18th.

<u>1st Wednesday Club</u> <u>May 1st - Olive Garden</u> June 5th - El Rosal/Coffee Road

<u>2nd Tuesday Club</u> <u>May 14th - Tahoe Joe's</u> June 11th -River's Edge/Knight's Ferry

<u>4th Tuesday Club</u> <u>May 28th - Tesoro (Mexican) on Tully</u> <u>June 25th - Johnny CARINO'S Italian</u>

<u>4th Thursday Club</u> <u>May 23rd - Cool Hand Lukes</u> June 27th -George's Steakhouse

<u>Contact Vince at 524-9630 if you would</u> like to join one of our Dining clubs

<u>Quotes to Think About:</u> I believe in the Scottish proverb: "Hard work never killed a man." Men die of boredom, psychological conflict & disease, etc. They do not die of hard work--- David Ogilvy

If you wait, all that happens is you get older. ---Larry McMurtry

APRIL BIRTHDAYS				
Nai	me	Date	Age	
Fairfield	Bernie	04/09/48	71	
Hubbard	Gary	04/14/46	73	
Nerland	Gary	04/03/37	82	
King	Gaylan	04/25/46	73	
Brey	Jack	04/16/27	92	
Gasper	John	04/16/47	72	
Manrique	Julius C.	04/08/32	87	



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Name **Spouse Date** Years 72 Lou Altadonna Emilia 04/11/47 Jack Brey Norma 04/02/11 8 Glenn Davis Jo Anne 04/09/60 59 Kent Faulkner Truda 04/01/78 41 Tom McNett Elizabeth 04/05/81 38 Larry Parks Clara 04/22/66 53 Jerry Thomason Renate 04/20/74 45 23 Williams Susan 04/10/96 Gary





April 2019 Bowling Report

High Scratch and Handicap Series and Games

Scratch Games

Handicap Games

Week 28 March 5 Series: Chuck Shoup 607 Chuck Shoup 673 Game: Joe Miceli 245 Joe Miceli 259 Week 29 March 12 Series: Dan Erreca 606 Marvin VanMiddendorp 680 Game : Chuck Shoup 225 Ream Lochry 256 Week 30 March 19 Series: David Brown 646 John Sherrard 699 Game : David Brown 259 Joe Bradley 274 Larry Sallee 259

Come out for our home town tournament. ------ 2019 UPCOMING STATE TOURNAMENTS-----

April 8-11 Gold Dust West, Carson City Ray DiBasilio 530-558-9727

May 15 Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood John Fry 925-783-5614; Paul Elmer 925-634-5690

June 5-6 Paddock Lanes Del Locke 707-745-3475

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

<u>vnr03@sbcglobal.net</u>

Donate via our new GoFundMe account SIR has set up a Sir GoFundMe (GFM) online account to accept donations from individual Sirs by credit or debit card at:

http://bit.ly/Donate2ParadiseSirs

If you have any questions about GFM there is a Donor Help Page at

https://support.gofundme.com/hc/enus/categories/360000158447

You can also pay by check or cash. Make check payable to SIR. Give check or cash to Nilo Casiano.

APRIL GOLF 2019



MONDAY	DIABLO	CARTS		
APR. 1	GRANDE	INCLUDED		
HOST: 103	\$ 44.00	9:00 AM		
MODAY APR.	CREEKSIDE	CARTS:		
8		\$ 15.00		
HOST: 144	\$31.00	9:00 AM		
MONDAY	DRY CREEK	CARTS:		
APR. 15		INCLUDED		
HOST: 164	\$34.00	9:00 AM		
MONDAY	MANTECA	CARTS:		
APR. 22	M/P	INCLUDED		
HOST: 164	\$ 44.00	<mark>8:00 AM</mark>		
MONDAY	DRYDEN	CARTS:		
APR. 29		\$ 15.00		
HOST: 103	\$30.00	9:00 AM		
MONDAY	MICKE	CARTS:		
MAY 6	GROVE	INCLUDED		
HOST: 143	\$ 38.00	8:00 AM		

THE 4 MAN BEST BALL TOURNAMENT IS JUNE 17, AT MANTECA. TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT TEAMS. LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU HAVE ONE. AN A, B, C, D. PLAYER TEAM. THE TOURNAMENT AT MANTECA ON 4/22 TEE TIME IS 8:00 AM. MAY 1ST TEE TIMES CHANGE TO 8.00 AM.

Jay Norris br#144 golf chairman <u>Sirgolfer144@gmail.com</u> 209-606-1475 3328 Vine Cliff Way, Modesto, Ca 95355

SIR family and friends enjoy breakfast at the Modesto Airport. Here is the information if anyone would like to attend.

COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE BREAKFAST: WHERE: 700 Tioga Drive (private side of airport and has a sign by the street). WHEN: Second Saturday of each month. TIME: 7:30AM TO 11:00AM. COST: \$7 each person. There is a new seating area reserved for Sons In Retirement members, families and friends. Directions: Going West on

Mitchell Rd: Turn right at Tenaya Dr, then left at S. Conejo Ave, then left at Tioga Dr. It's on the left.

<u>Switzerland, Austria, and Germany. Stay in Oberammergau, Germany for the Passion Play (only performed once every 10 years, performed since 1634)</u> Dates: August 29 – September 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.

Price: Approximately \$5700 per person. Air Fare to be determined in Oct. 2019.

Price includes all transportation, hotels, gratuities for tour manager, and more. \$500.00 deposit per person holds spot. \$100.00 discount if sign up by August 31, 2018. Final payment not due until March 1, 2020

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.

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



GOLDEN GATE FIELDS RACE TRACK SATURDAY MAY 4, 2019

LAND TOUR OF DENALI & CRUISE OF ALASKA AUGUST 23-SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

A's vs SF AT THE OAKLAND COLISEUM AUGUST 25, 2019

10 DAY MEXICAN CRUISE ROUNDTRIP FROM SAN FRANCISCO JANUARY 12-22, 2020

SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA, AND GERMANY FOR THE PASSION PLAY. STAY IN OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY. AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 9, 2020



Past Big Sirs

1988 Lynn Wood **1989 Elbow Jones 1990 Dick Benevento** 1991 Warren Lawson 1992 AI 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

2018 Sam Graham

Modesto Branch No. 144 Officers

OFFICERS FOR 2019

Big Sir:	Jerry Emery 838-1562	
Little Sir:	Anthony Butera 985-3473.	
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Assistant Treasurer:	CK Gottschalk 846-0415	

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Bill Burchell 529-6039	Andre Dodd 527-0482
Sam Graham 552-0960	Gaylan King 380-9896
Jim Toepfer (360) 477-0930	Gary Williams 578-3471

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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:...Vernon Jones 683-8033 Dining: Vince Sereno 524-9630, Henry Solario 578-5607 Attendance:.....Tony Salonga Sunshine......Edd Santwier 605-9638 Assistant: Julius Manrique 576-1077 Nominating Committee: Julius Manrique, Patton Brooks & Bill Burchell Membership: ... Gaylan King 380-9896 Book Club:.... Joe Venturini 524-6577

It's that time of the year! A's vs SF. Please have a SIR Branch representative collect checks (\$52 pp), and send them to: Lee Moy, 127 N. Helm Ave, Clovis 93612. Deadline: 1 June SIR DAY AT THE BALLPARK "Battle of the Bay" Sunday, 8/25/2019, Oakland Coliseum 1PM; \$52; section 106, shaded area. Once your checks come in, by the deadline, I will order the 80 seats for our SIR members and guests. When the tickets come to me, then I will mail them to you using your selfaddressed stamped return envelope. So please talk it up at your Branches, and "take me out to the ball game". Lee Moy State SIR Sports (559) 709-9851 LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com

To save 15% on tickets to the Gallo Center use code: SIRS1819

Please visit our website at <u>www.sirinc2.org/branch144</u> The SIR website for the latest edition of SIR Happenings at: <u>http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/</u>

If anyone knows if someone has an illness, accident, or passes, please let Edd Santwier (605-9638) or Julius Manrique (576-1077) know. Thanks!

Prayers for Vernon Jones who is not doing well.

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