



Rooster Talk

Little Hills Branch 147

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Branch 147 Web Site:
sirinc2.org/branch/147



BIG SIR

Mark Quam

AN RSVP EMAIL WILL BE COMING TO YOU SOON FOR THE NOVEMBER LUNCHEON. PLEASE USE IT TO TELL US IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT.

Dear SIR Members,

As we approach the end of 2024, I want to thank you for your continued support. Our monthly meetings and luncheons have been a highlight, with great speakers and opportunities to connect. November marks the start of our busy fall season, so please join us at these gatherings and for our upcoming fall/winter meetings.

Gary Lassen and the Board are working on this year's Holiday Luncheon which will occur on Tuesday, 12/10, the date of our regular meeting. We will provide more information about it at our November meeting. There is more information within this Newsletter as well as a "Flyer / Reservation" form being sent with this Newsletter. SIR members and their guests all need to return the Flyer making their meal selection (Salmon or Beef) and reserving their place.

Warm regards, **Mark**



A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW SIR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN – MICHAEL NISTLER

Dear Membership:

I'm honored to serve as our new SIR Branch 147 Membership Chair to help our members recruit your colleagues, friends, family and acquaintances - folks who would also appreciate the many benefits to be a member of our SIR organization. On the face, many of us enjoy our brand - Friendship, Fellowship and FUN! And yes, we have a great venue at the Elks Lodge for pre-meeting libations and a delicious affordable lunch. And we also benefit from the opportunity to "nurture our mind" with excellent guest speakers. While I'm a newer member, I also enjoy our special interest groups including our computer/mobile phone technology group, the golf group and the poker group.

Hmm - how about you, what's your no-pressure pitch that you use to recruit prospective members? Or perhaps you see recurring impediments that keep folks from joining, and in that case please feel free to contact me prior to our monthly meeting or email me at bridge_hands@yahoo.com or call/text me at 707-315-2230. And perhaps we can arrange a meeting to learn your views and pass great ideas along to our members. For instance, might there be other special interest group meetings that our current and prospective members would find beneficial? For a variety of reason, most service and fraternal organizations have a 15 to 20 percent annual attrition ratio so bottom line, a thriving club requires a thriving membership!

Happy Trails,
Michael Nistler





SIR Holiday Party



Tuesday, December 10, 2024
Petaluma Elks Club
11 AM – Noon No-host cocktails
Noon – Lunch is served

Menu

First Course

Sonoma Green Salad with Cranberries,
Fuji apples and champagne vinaigrette
Artisan Breadbasket

Main Event

Guest Choice of
Pan-seared Salmon filet with
Roasted Tomato Bruschetta, or
Braised Beef Shortribs a la truffe demi-glace



Served with
Parmesan Risotto and
Farm Stand vegetable saute



Dessert

Chocolate Peppermint Cake
Coffee and tea Service



ORDER FORM \$35.00 per person



Please Mail by November 25, 2024 to Nino Cerruti, 313 Ridgeview Drive, Petaluma, CA 94952

Make checks payable to SIR BRANCH #147. Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Name _____ Circle one: Salmon Beef

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PICTURES TAKEN BY TONY ESTES



1. Be sure to respond to the
RSVP Email Luncheon
Invitation that will come
from
“sir147mail@sirinc2.org
” Use the “link” to
respond with your name
and either
“Yes” or “No”.

THE MENU

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ENTREE</u>
November	Classic Turkey Dinner
December	Holiday Party Menu



2. If you replied “Yes” to the
RSVP Email Invitation and
change your mind, then you can
still cancel your reservation by
calling the “SIR LUNCH
RESERVATION LINE” by
11:00AM the **SUNDAY** before
the luncheon.

To Cancel - Call
24 hours a Day
CALL 707-789-1071



Computer & Smartphone Group

From the Magic Keyboard of SIR Mike Burwen

The next meeting will probably be in 4th quarter. Stay Tuned.

The Computer and Smartphone Club will not meet in October or November due to an illness. Mike hopes to resume meetings during the late 4th Quarter. Stay tuned. You will be sent an Email when these meetings are scheduled to resume.

PICTURE TAKEN BY WARREN PAYNE



October 8, 2024 Attendance

Membership	67
Members Attended	40
Total Attendance	42
Actual Paid Meals	39
Called for Meals	39
Paid for Missed Meals	2
Excused	6
Said Yes and Didn't Show	0
Removed	0
Added	0
Guests	1
Speaker	1
Birthday Drawing	1
Visitors	0

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Birthdays

2024 November - Birthdays	
James Inden	1939
Joseph Ladely	1939
Stuart Nissenbaum	1949
William Park	1926
Marcus Webster	1952



Anniversaries

2024 November - Anniversaries	
Michael & Grace Blume	1969
Michael & Sherry Burwen	2003
John & Marcia Glover	1971
James & Merle Inden	1972

This Month's Speaker is

Pamela Marks



Arranged by Gary Lassen

Pamela Marks will talk about the **North Bay Honor Flight** organization. North Bay Honor Flight dedicates its efforts to honoring and giving back to our nation's heroes. Its mission is to provide a heartfelt and long-overdue "welcome home" to our veterans who served in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, ensuring their sacrifices and bravery are never forgotten.



SIR ON THE INTERNET

www.sirinc.org

www.sirinc.org/wearesir-2/

Gives SIR history, organization, locations, activities, travel programs etc.. Also the State newsletter, SIR Happenings. Suggested for those thinking of joining for an early orientation.

2024 TRAVEL

Petaluma SIR Branch 58 has a Travel Chairman, and he is planning trips. He is looking for ideas

Please send your ideas to him. He is looking for YOUR ideas (day trips, etc.).

His name is: Bruce Scheibach
His email is: Bscheibach@aol.com

POKER CLUB

SIR has a Poker Club. We play once a month. If you have an interest, then contact Al McLaughlin (amclau500@gmail.com) 707-999-8550



BOCCE BALL: Bocce Ball is in transition. Our Sister SIR organization in Petaluma, Branch 58, has an active Bocce Ball activity. They play in Petaluma, and it is possible that we could join in their games. If you have an interest in playing Bocce Ball, then please see Gary Lassen or Mark Quam as the next step.

Here is a picture of, past, lively, Bocce Ball players.



NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION:

All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons in Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate.

Sons in Retirement, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities.



GOLF



GOLF NEWS – from the GCR Golf Committee

TEE Groupings:
10/29/24 – TUESDAY
BENNETT VALLEY
9:00 AM – First Tee Time

TEE TIME	NAME	NAME	NAME	NAME
9:00	Joe Ladely	Doug Sullivan	Lynn Kaul	Steve Ikard
9:09	Dave Einers	Dan Busch	Al McLaughlin	Greg O'Brien
9:18	Martin Hymowitz	Dave Behrs	Stu Nissenbaum	Marcus Webster
9:27	Jack Schipper	Bob Henry	Ray Anderson	Wayne Cleland

CTP - TOURNAMENT WINNERS - (VIA THE WORK OF LYNN KAUL):

ROOSTER RUN – 10/21/24 – CLOSEST TO THE PIN +			
HOLE	GROUP	WINNER	DISTANCE
6	1	Wayne Cleland	5' - 5"
	2	Dave Einers	43' - "1
15	1	Greg O'Brien	9' - 6"
	2	Garth Hewitt	4' - 2"

The Golf Committee: (Lynn, Greg, Joe, & Al)

GOLF SCHEDULE FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR (arranged by Greg O'Brien):

October	November	December
	4th. FOXTAIL SOUTH 9:22	3rd. BENNETT VALLEY 9:00
7th. ROOSTER RUN 9:00	11th. ROOSTER RUN 9:00	9th. ROOSTER RUN 9:00
14th. FOXTAIL NO. 8:30	18th. FOXTAIL SO. 8:30	16th. FOXTAIL NO. 10.00
21rd. ROOSTER RUN 9:00	25 th Rooster Run 9:00	OFF XMAS
29. TUES. BENNETT VALLEY 9:00		OFF NEW YEARS EVE

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(Open)

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OUR WILLING WORKERS

Attendance Frank Ternullo 696-7575	Membership Michael Nistler 315-2230
Bocce Ball (Open)	Membership Records Nino Cerruti, HLM 762-5187
Chaplain Richard Bergeron 762-8589 (Please call the Chaplin to report illnesses)	Name Tags & Seating Frank Ternullo 696-7575
Computer & Smart Phone Club Mike Burwen 658-2844	Nominating Committee Lead: Greg O'Brien 774-6342
Newsletter Editor Al McLaughlin 999-8550	Photographers Frank Ternullo, Keith Heiden, Warren Payne, & Tony Estes
Golf Committee - Lynn Kaul and - Joe Ladely – Weekly Course Check-In, Tournament Mgmt., & Cash Prize Presentment - Al McLaughlin – Weekly TEE Times - Greg O'Brien – 2024 Schedule Creation and Reservations.. - Mark Cooper – Manager Emeritus	Picnic (Open)
Greeters (To be assigned by the Attendance Chairman) Keith Heiden	Poker Club Al McLaughlin 999-8550
	RAMP (Recruitment, Activities, Member Relations, & Publicity) Mike Burwen 658-2844
	Travel & Other Activities Open
	Area 8 Representative Rich Zanotti 763-0553

Contact Information
for individuals
wanting more info.
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REGULAR
MEMBERSHIP
MEETINGS are held on
the Second Tuesday of
Each Month

The Executive
Committee meets at
10:00 A.M., Social Hour
at 11:00 and Lunch
begins at 12:00. A
Speaker is normally up
after lunch.
Meetings are held at the
Elks Lodge
2105 S McDowel Blvd
Petaluma, CA 94954