



**SONS IN RETIREMENT**  
**SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102**  
**APRIL 2026**

**LUNCHEON MEETING**

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Executive Board Meeting 9:30

Social Hour 10:45 Luncheon 11:30

Next Meeting

Tuesday

APRIL 14TH

Carmichael Elks Lodge

**Lunch Menu**

**BRAUTS OVER  
SAURKRAUT, FRIED  
POTATOS, SALAD &  
JELLO**

**BAR WILL BE OPEN**

**THINGS TO REMEMBER THIS MONTH**

**DON'T FORGET YOUR CHECKBOOKS, SEVERAL EVENTS TO SIGN UP FOR IN MAY, SUCH AS BBQ & BINGO LUNCH AND THE RENO TRIP**

**APRIL EVENTS:**

Lincoln Hills (Orchard) the 2nd

Teal Bend the 9th

Cherry Island the 16<sup>th</sup>

HO MacKenzie the 23rd

The Ridge the 30th

**April 1<sup>st</sup>, First Day of Bocce Ball Carmichael Park 10:00AM to 12:00PM**

**IF YOU WANT A MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY, THEY ARE AVAILABLE ONLY AT MEETINGS. PLEASE CONTACT FRED CAMPBELL-CRAVEN**

**IF YOU DON'T RECEIVE AN EMAIL REGARDING YOUR ATTENDANCE TO THE LUNCHEON, PLEASE EMAIL ELOY HERRERA [tmexeloy@yahoo.com](mailto:tmexeloy@yahoo.com)**

I want to apologize for the delay in getting this month's newsletter out. The last two weeks tested my ability to handle several events at the same time. My daughter had a destination Wedding in Yosemite on 3 April. We had several items to overcome on both of sides, but it all came together in the end. Planning and executing weddings are difficult as many of you probably know. It was worth it, especially for us as we thought the day was never going to happen. It did and we are all the better for it.



## PRESIDENT COMMENTS

TIM RYAN

Dear SIRS,

The upcoming April luncheon – April 14 – promises to be a great time. Why? Because we are going to be honoring all the past Branch 102 Big SIRS! More details below:

### **Luncheon Honoring Past Branch 102 Big SIRS**

I think we would all agree that Branch 102 is a great club – one that truly succeeds in fostering friendships and fun. A big reason for this success, I believe, is our members – especially all the past Big SIRS who dedicated their talents and time to growing the organization. Accordingly, we thought it was time to celebrate and honor ALL PAST BIG SIRS!

So, if you are part of that select group, I hope you will come to the luncheon and allow us to thank you for your service volunteering in Branch 102. But even if you are not a past Big SIR please come and join in the celebration.

### **BINGO FANATICS!**

We will be having our annual Chicken & Ribs BBQ lunch - with Bingo – at our May luncheon - May 12. Remember, you must sign up & pay in advance to attend this “Indoor Picnic” at the Elks. The cost is \$35 per person; April will be your last opportunity to reserve a spot for yourself and one guest. Bring payment to the April luncheon to ensure that you can join in what was – last year – a lively and fun time.

### **New Lunch Procedures**

Lastly, don't forget that we – the membership – recently implemented new lunch procedures. Make sure you respond timely to Eloy's email requesting that you state whether you will be attending lunch and eating. And if you fail to see an email request, then please contact Eloy directly – at least one week in advance of the lunch – to tell him of your intentions.

Looking forward to seeing you all on April 14.

Sincerely

Tim

Some of my favorite 3-word quotes. Do you have some?

*Always Be Honest    Appreciate Every Moment    Enjoy Little Moments    Do Your Best*

*Family Over Everything    Friends Are Treasures    Get Over It    Let It Go*

*Health is Wealth    Never Grow Old    Rock and Roll    Try Something New*



## Vice President COMMENTS

**Scott Pinney**

### **Fellow Sirs:**

After March's Luncheon I began to think what does being a member of Sir Branch 102 mean to us, the member. When I became a Sir 102 member in 2018 there were 151 members. Today, we have 100.

### **As members we have a responsibility to participate and volunteer to see our branch grow & flourish?**

We have a great thing going at Sir 102. Ask a friend or acquaintance to join us for lunch, golf, poker, bocce ball, ball games, choir, etc. If each of us asked just 1 person to join us during the year we would double in size. How did we join Sir 102? Someone invited us, we liked what you saw and heard and we stayed. If you are at the driving range, talk with the guy next to you. See if they are playing every week and see if they would like to play golf weekly or any one of our other activities during the month.

Be sure to open and read our monthly newsletter. Share it with a friend. I know everyone is busy and have a lot of things going on but with Sir 102 we have a chance to take a break. Do something different, meet new friends and enjoy another aspect of life.

Be sure to come to the monthly luncheon. It's a great time to reconnect with other members, hear what's coming up during the following months. Plan to travel with us to out of town golf events like Reno and Carson City. We've had some really good speakers this year and some of you who leave early miss out on some great information and the drawing at the end of the luncheon.

This year is the first time I've been on the BEC and these guys do a heck of a lot of work behind the scenes that we don't know about. Hours are spent in compliance, accounting, auditing, arranging golf outings (both local & away), venues, meals, speakers, etc. There's an old saying that 20% of the people do 80% of the work and that rings true with Sir Branch 102. Please take some time to consider jumping in with both feet with Sir Branch 102. We need you to survive and thrive.

Bill Montague a retired detective spoke at our meeting and provided a great deal of information on how police agencies work across the state. I was amazed at how many different agencies are in the state.

If you need help with estate planning, wills or trusts you should contact your own attorney or contact attorneys Adam Shiells & James Hammer who spoke on estate planning, wills and trusts in February.

<https://www.shiellsandhammer.com>

The Sacramento Auto Museum is still looking for volunteers. Karen McClafin is the coordinator. Please check their website: <https://www.calautomuseum.org/volunteer>

### **The River Cats BB game & BBQ is "SOLD OUT" for June.**

I still have 2 tickets for the A's vs Red Sox in July. Tickets are \$40.00 each. Final payment due in May.

**We begin Bocce Ball on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at Carmichael Park, time 10:00 am – 12:00 pm.**

Pickle Ball is on hold until the resurfacing of the courts is completed hopefully by June 2026.

**Our guest speaker for April is from - Habitat for Humanity**

Sincerely  
Scott

**SIR 102 Newsletter Treasurer Report**  
**Month of March, 2026 to 03/31/26**

<b>BEGINNING FUNDS</b>	<b>\$11,263.38</b>
<b>General Accounts:</b>	
Bank Dividends August	\$0.44
State 2 nd Qtr. Assessment	(\$296.40)
Fred Campbell-Craven (Lapel Pins)	(\$57.50)
Eloy Herrera Refund Constant Contact (December)	(\$35.00)
<b>Net General gain/(loss)</b>	<b>(\$388.46)</b>
<b>Custodial Accounts:</b>	
Luncheon Receipts 03/10/26	\$1,415.00
Elks Club Luncheon 03/10/26	(\$1,400.00)
Gary Adams Raffle Prizes 03/10/26	(\$28.32)
Elks Club - Not meeting \$200 Bar Minimum	\$0.00
<b>Net Custodial gain/(loss)</b>	<b>(\$13.32)</b>
<b>ENDING FUNDS:</b>	<b>\$10,861.60</b>

**Active Membership is 98. All members have paid their 2026 dues.**

One of the basic tenets of SIRs is NO Politics

The following will be as close as I get to being political in this Newsletter. If some of you feel it is too political, I apologize. I don't think it is, but it helps me understand a lot in my many years of trying to figure out all politicians.

I was rewatching one of my favorite shows on Netflix, Peaky Blinders. Do yourself a favor if you have Netflix and give it a chance. It is one of the best series they ever had. The finale is hard to top. The recent movie is not as good. In Season three, episode 2, the following is spoken:

*“To me, politics is deliberately making things better for some people, by deliberately making them worse for others.”*



Herb playing on the Seniors Villa's new 'Low Frustration' golf course.



## **SIR ACTIVITIES**

### **Book Exchange Every Meeting**



**Please Bring a Book and Take ones of your choosing**

**We know many of you have some books that are just gathering dust, so bring them to the exchange for others to enjoy too.**

### **Breakfast Buddies, every Third Wednesday at 8:00AM**

**Lido Café and Bakery, 7907 Fair Oaks Blvd, Carmichael**

**Looking for all to join them.**

### **Poker**

**Each poker event will be held the last Wednesday of each month at 12:00 to 4:00 PM at Cal Conley's home.  
Contact Cal if you want to play at [sviconley@hotmail.com](mailto:sviconley@hotmail.com)**

**Don Wagner finally lost.**

### **Bocce Ball**

**First event was held at Carmichael Park Bocce Ball Courts on April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Per Scott Pinney, Bocce Ball will be held the first and third Wednesday of each month thru October**

**Starting at 10:00AM running through 12:00PM, all are welcome, bring a chair just in case.**

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*(Please visit our website for more in-depth information about the SSS.)*

**\*Sons In Retirement (SIR) is a men's social organization.  
Performing with SSS requires membership in SIR.  
Visit <https://WeAreSir.com> for information regarding SIR membership.**



## BIRDIES AND BOGIES

### FOR THIS MONTH

web site: <https://sirinc2.org/branch102/>

Hi Fellow Golfers,

With our weather being more conducive to golf, hopefully your scores are improving also.

Just a reminder, our club championship play begins in April so I hope you're signed up. At the April luncheon, this will be your last opportunity to sign up for our first out of town tournament in Reno. We will be playing at the Red Hawk (Hills) course on Wednesday and the Lakeridge Course on Thursday. The rounds are both scrambles with closest to the pin payouts on all par threes for both days. Remember, you don't have to be on the greens to measure your shots as long as they are not in the bunkers. There is no limit on drives too. Hopefully, you'll enjoy the newly remodeled J Resort Hotel.

In May we'll be playing locally at Empire Ranch, Woodcreek and Ancil Hoffman so don't forget to bring your checkbooks.

Look forward to seeing you at the April 14<sup>th</sup> luncheon.

*Thanks,*

*Jeff, 102 Golf Chair*



## HAPPY GOLF TRAVEL FOR 2026 AND NEWS FROM DON WAGNER



### GOLF SIGNUPS AT APRIL LUNCHEON FOR RENO IN MAY

We already have 26 signups for our upcoming **Reno overnight golf trip**...May 5 & 6...2 nights ...golf at Red Hawk-Hills Course (Wed) & Lakeridge (Thur). We have others who said they will be joining us, so it looks like a great turnout. We will take final signups at our April 14<sup>th</sup> meeting

We added this extra night, at a low cost so you can travel the night before at your own pace and join us on two highly rated golf courses for the fun and challenges that face all golfers. CTPP on all four par 3s with "Best of the Best" each day for **both** the A/B and the C/D flights. Payouts occur immediately following our Thursday round at Lakeridge GC. *Treat yourself and bring a friend.*

We will be available to handout any information including teams and directions between 5 - 5:30 at the check in desk on May 5<sup>th</sup>. If we change locations, you will be notified well in advance.

We will take additional signups at general meetings on April 14

Golf: On a putt that goes the distance but misses I always say "you had the right club!"



**THE STATE SIRS INVITE YOU TO READ THEIR NEWSLETTERS and OTHER INFORMATION.**

**THE LINK BELOW WILL TAKE YOU TO THE NEWSLETTERS:**

<https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>

**THE LINKS BELOW WILL TAKE YOU TO STATE GOLF NEWS AND UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS FOR 2026:**

<https://www.sirgolf.org>

<https://www.sirinc2.org/golf2018/wp-content/uploads/SIR-STATE-GOLF-NEWSLETTER1.pdf>



***APRIL BIRTHDAY BOYS***

Steve Green, 77, 4/2    Terry Williams, 78, 4/5    Bill Maffei, 80, 4/11    Randy Howery, 66, 4/17  
Phil Danz, 88, 4/20    Brian Gangler, 75, 4/26    Vic Mershon, 84, 4/26    Harry West, 77, 4/29



**APRIL MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

**RAMON MURILLO**

Greetings:

Membership is at 98

**Member losses to report:**

**Jim Lloyd, Jim Miller, Archie Noriega Fred Stuart**

**NO New Members to Report This Month:**

We regret the passing of Jim Lloyd and Jim Miller. We offer our sincere condolences to their families and friends. They will be remembered for their contributions and camaraderie within the branch.

As always, we encourage you to bring new members to further out fellowship.

***Ramon, Membership Chair***

**SIR 102 2026 OFFICERS**

President.....Tim Ryan  
Vice President.....Scott Pinney  
Treasurer.....John Slingerland  
Asst. Treasurer.....Eloy Herrera  
Asst. Treasurer.....Mike Egstad  
Secretary.....Fred Campbell-Craven  
Asst. Secretary.....Rick Hamilton

**DIRECTORS**

Gabe Reddig (2026)  
Robert Duplantier (2026)  
Cal Conley (2027)  
Gary Adams (2027)  
Don Wagner (2028)  
Dallas Eto (2028)

**STATE OFFICERS**

State President: Dale Decker  
Director Region 1 Hugh Thompson  
Area 4 Representative Mark Steffens

**SIR 102 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

AUDITOR Vacant  
ATTENDANCE Ramon Murillo  
ACTIVITIES Scott Pinney  
AUDIO/VIDEO Bob Fitzgerald  
BOOK EXCHANGE Joe Wulf  
CHAPLAIN Scott Pinney  
GOLF Jeff Dye

MEMBERSHIP Ramon Murillo  
NEWSLETTER Eloy A. Herrera  
SUNSHINE Gary Bohn  
TRAVEL Bill Maffei  
WEBMASTER Eloy A. Herrera

THE SINGIN' SWINGIN' SIRS Robert DuPlantier

RAMP Recruitment Scott Pinney  
RAMP Activities Cal Conley  
RAMP Membership Ramon Murillo  
RAMP Publicity Jeff Dye

**HONARARY LIFE MEMBERS**

As Of  
Donald (Don) Wagner 02/23/2012  
Bill Kishi 2012  
Gary Bohn 12/09/2014  
Jeffrey Dye 08/09/2022  
Bob Fitzgerald 11/11/2019  
Gary Adams 2024

**BRANCH DISTINQUISHED SERVICE**

**AWARD**

Jack Gilmore  
Vic Mershon

**PAST 102 BIG SIR**

Gordon Nielson-1983 Pete Tapella-1984  
Roy Bostic-1985 Don Johnson-1986  
Paul Siglin-1987 Wesley Fisk Jr.-1988  
Ray Nyman-1989 Don Gaylord-1990  
Les Jones-1991 Don Gaylord-1992  
Rock Sorgman-1993 Bill Spencer-1994  
Tom Warburton-1995 Don Neudeck-1996  
Don Gayner-1997 Don Wiles-1998  
Tom Eyman-1999 Bob Simowski-2000  
Stan Spalding-2001 Chuck Shoemaker-2002  
Lloyd Browning-2003 Bob Baker-2004  
Don Wagner-2005. Frank Mason-2006  
Bill Drake-2007 Joe Virga-2008  
Mickey Wagner-2009 Bob Lamora-2010  
Jim Johnson-2011 Dick Larsen-2012  
Jim Reese-2012. Gary Bohn-2013  
Don Whalen-2014. Dick Coleman-2015  
Jeff Dye-2015-16. Norm Steinbach-2017  
Cliff Jones -2018. Larry Dezonias-2019  
Mike Lorton-2020. Dan Maglionico-2020-21  
Gary Adams-2022. Gabe Reddig-2023  
Cal Conley 2024. Don Wagner - 2025

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NEWSLETTER INPUT: Please contact me, Eloy Herrera if you have any input for the Newsletter that may be of interest to your fellow SIRs at [tmxeloy@yahoo.com](mailto:tmxeloy@yahoo.com)