



Sons in Retirement SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102 April 2024

LUNCHEON MEETING

2nd Tuesday of the month
Executive Board meeting 9:30 A.M.
Social Hour: 10.45—Luncheon: 11:30
Carmichael Elks Lodge

Next Meeting
Tuesday
April 9

www.sirinc2.org/branch102/

Lunch Menu:

PORK LOIN MASHED POTATO GRAVY VEGETABLE AND SALAD. ROLLS BUTTER AND DESSERT .

The Bar will be open



BIG SIR COMMENTS:

Cal Conley

Hello SIRS,

I hope you all had a great St. Patrick's Day and a wonderful Easter.

Joe Wulf was our speaker at the March luncheon. He gave an excellent presentation about his newly published book "Reach from Beyond".

The following SIRS were winners at the monthly drawing: John Thomas, George Mohler, Tim Ryan, Bill Maffei, Alex Hoeffner, Robert Duplantier, and Mike Lorton. Congratulations to all of you.

At the March BEC Meeting a motion was made and approved to give the Treasurer discretion to issue those who did not previously indicate in response to the Constant Contact invitation that they would be eating lunch. A provisional ticket would be issued. The holder would then go to the end of the line. If there isn't enough food they would receive a refund for the luncheon and they shall be charged as those attending the luncheon but not eating. Two members stated that they did respond. Little Sir Gary Adams would review the problem. If any member doesn't receive a Constant Contact invitation to attend the luncheon prior to five days before the luncheon, you should either call or E-mail Little SIR Gary Adams. His phone number is (916) 947-2255 and his e-mail is gaadams00@yahoo.com. Also if you are going to bring a guest please call Little Sir Gary Adams. The April menu is Pork Loin, potatoes and gravy, vegetables and dessert.

The following SIRS have birthdays in April: Steve Green, 75 4/2, Terry Williams, 76 4/5, Pat Crocker, 84 4/8, Bill Maffei, 75 4/11, Dale Wiest, 76 4/14, Randy Howery, 64 4/17, Brian Gangler, 73 4/26, Vic Mershon, 82 4/26 and Harry West 77 On 4/29.

Something to think about: " You can't build a reputation on what you intended to do. Liz Smith, Gossip Columnist

Cal Conley
Big SIR



LITTLE SIR COMMENTS:

Gary Adams

Can you believe it? It's already April 2024. It's going by faster than I can keep up with all the stuff that's going on in the world. I've lost a lot of friends over the last few years, including Dan Johnson who I worked with for over 20 years at Caltrans. It truly is a significant time of our life when friends and relatives are frequently leaving us on a regular basis. I'm hopeful that we all can live a happy life and enjoy our friends and relatives for as long as possible.

I believe that SIR's is a tremendous organization for us old guys to enjoy our later years in life and I have definitely realized that, meeting new people, enjoying the luncheons, golf, the Christmas Party, Picnics, and getting involved in the Branch Executive Committee. It has enhanced my retirement for over 18 years.

If you or someone you know has something of interest to tell us, please don't hesitate to let me know. 916 947-2255 or gaadams00@yahoo. My plan for April is to have a presentation about Amblyopia, or Lazy Eye, a very common ailment for new-borns. Approximately 5% of children are born with this and if not discovered by age 5 will not have the ability to overcome. Our speaker did not know he had amblyopia until 13 or 14 years old and still remains to this day at 85 with this problem. We are not looking for anything more than a half an hour or so of something interesting you have to tell us. The last three were Tom Hennessy teaching a class at the prison, Fred Chapman climbing a Mountain in India, and Joe Wulf and his new book " Reach from Beyond". We would love to hear from you!

Gary Adams,
Little SIR

SIR 102 BEC Treasurer Report
Month of March, 2024 to 03/31/24

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| BEGINNING FUNDS | \$13,088.35 |
| General Accounts: | |
| Bank Dividends | \$0.54 |
| 2024 Dues (4) | \$120.00 |
| Constant Contact - Hosting (March) | (\$28.00) |
| Reversal of Golden 1 Bank deposit error | \$30.00 |
| Net General gain/(loss) | \$122.54 |
| Custodial Accounts: | |
| Luncheon Receipts 03/12/24 | \$1,425.00 |
| Luncheon Elks Club Luncheon Expense 03/12/24 | (\$1,254.00) |
| Luncheon Raffle/Wine (03/12/24) | (\$51.86) |
| Luncheon Bar 03/12/24; (to meet \$175 Minimum) | \$0.00 |
| Net Custodial gain/(loss) | \$119.14 |
| ENDING FUNDS: | \$13,330.03 |

Active Membership is 114.

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| Checking | \$6,748.79 |
| Savings | \$6,231.24 |
| Petty Cash | \$350.00 |
| Total | \$13,330.03 |

TO: Big Sir
 Little Sir
 Secretary & Assistant
 Treasurer & Assistant
 Director's

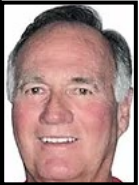
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| ENDING FUNDS allocated: | \$13,330 |
| State SIR Required Reserve: | (\$2,800) |
| 140 Members Budgeted @ \$20 = \$2,800 | |
| State SIR Assessment: (Balance D | (\$1,032) |
| 140 Members Budgeted @ \$10.00/yr = \$1400 | |
| Reserve for Lunch (prior to Deposit) | (\$2,000) |
| 80 Members @ \$25 = \$2,000 | |
| Picnic Subsidy | (\$500) |
| Holiday Party Subsidy (Budget=\$750; Balance Due Only) | (\$344) |
| Subtotal Special Reserves | (\$6,676) |
| 2024 Budgeted Expenditures pending other line items | (\$2,028) |
| Dues to be collected in late 2024 | \$3,718 |
| Branch 102 Funds Unallocated Carry Over for 2025 | \$8,344 |



BIRDIES AND BOGEY

April 2024

web site: www.sirinc2.org/branch102/



GOLF CHAIRMAN: Jeff Dye

Hi Fellow Golfers,

Just a reminder that the final signup for our first out of town tournament of the year will be at our April 9th luncheon. The tournament is at the Rolling Hills Casino in Corning about two hours north of Sacramento. It is a challenging John Daly designed course. Fortunately, we play a 4-team scramble format so there is a lot of fun with less pressure on us. We dine in the evening and partake in some adult beverages if you choose. After Tuesday's round, even though there are no participation trophies, everybody wins money! This is a fun event so I encourage your participation.

Have you noticed that it is getting harder to get into our weekly pairings? Some of the courses that we contract with hold us to our scheduled number of players. If we get no shows, then our club may have to pay if you don't show up. It is important that you contact Jim Stephenson or Randy Howery if you have to drop out. We have resorted to a standby list to fill these slots. It is probably best to show up to our luncheons to sign up for golf and reserve a spot in the tournaments.

Hope to see you at the April luncheon.

Jeff



Golf Travel Chairman, Don Wagner

Rolling Hills is coming up fast with our final signup opportunity at our general meeting on **Tuesday April 9th**. We have a good signup but room for more. It's an easy drive with nice accommodations and a challenging golf course. Looks like our payouts will expand to 6 CTPP with a few more signups on every par 3 ..There are five of them....That's a lot of chances... I hope to win an least one over the two days...

We mix the players each day so you have more people to discuss how everyone missed a 5 foot downhill putt plus you do get to play golf with old and new friends.

If you haven't seen the flier, it will be resent out before the next meeting plus signup sheets will be available at the meeting.

p.s. People think I am studying the green with my head down before I hit the putt ...but... the truth is I am saying a quick prayer...

Don



SUNSHINE REPORT: Gary Bohn

Hi Members,

As your Sunshine person I will try to report on our SIR 102 Members that have been in or out of the hospital or are experiencing an illness. I will also report on a member's wife or significant other. I may also report on a member that has passed away and this may include those that may have left the branch but were long time members. I will also report on a member of the branch that lost a loved one

I am happy to report that I have not heard of any illness or other medical problems from the members of SIR 102. This is my report for the month of April. If anyone has information please email me at garybohn1@comcast.net or by phone (916) 722-4446. I hope everyone had a Happy Easter and may we have a great spring.

Gary Bohn



MEMBERSHIP: Ramon Murillo

April Membership News:

Greetings,

Membership is 114, 14 less than last month.

We lost Dan Johnson due to his passing and is missed very much by his friends and family.

The following individuals left the Branch last month due to some withdrawing for personal reasons and others through not renewing their membership. We wish all of them well and if they can find their way back, we will surely welcome them.

041 Todd Brannin, 177 Jim Carpenter, 171 Bob Chaney, 097 Dave Cleveland,

104 Michael Easton, 122 Paul Fillo 035 Jim Johnson, 153 Kenny Johnston,

101 Fran Jones, 189 Don Lewis, 163 John Sharp, 061 Roger Siler,

015 Fred Simmons, 145 Jerry Timmons

No new members to report

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

Ramon Murillo

Happy Birthday



April

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| Pat Crocker | 84 | Harry West | 77 | Terry Williams | 76 | Steve Green | 75 | Randy Howery | 64 |
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RAMP: Norm Steinbach

In March's Newsletter I introduced "RAMP" with three of the 4 positions filled. Jim Olsen had to resign and Robert Du-
planter wants to be involved to represent the Singin', Swingin' Sirs.

Currently Branch 102 has the following Activities: Monthly Lunches, Weekly 18hole Golf, Book Swap, Breakfast Buddies Singin', Swingin' Sirs. Bocce Ball, Travel opportunities, Annual Picnic, and Christmas Lunch.

We have not played Bocce Ball this Winter. Spring Weather is coming, but Jim Morgan will not be able to be the Chairman. We need a new Chairman to continue with Bocce Ball.

Adding new Activities is important but, spending a lot my time reviewing 'RAMP' on the State Sir website I have come up with some ideas, and at the April BEC meeting I will be presenting a new RAMP proposal.

.Here are couple of Ben Franklin quotes –

Life's tragedy is that we get old too soon and wise too late

An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.

Norm

SIR 102 2021 OFFICERS

BIG SIR.....Cal Conley
LITTLE SIR Gary Adams
SECRETARY...Fred Campbell-Craven
ASST. SECRETARY.....Jim Lasiter
TREASURER.....John Slingerland
ASST. TREASURER.....Eloy Herrera

DIRECTORS

Dallas Ito (2025)
Norm Steinbach (2025)
Gabe Reddig (2026)
George Wheeler (2024)
Niles Christopherson (2024)
Jack Gilmore (2024)
Don Wagner (State HLM)
Gary Bohn (HLM)
Jeff Dye (HLM)
Bob Fitzgerald (HLM)
Vic Mershon (HLM)

STATE OFFICERS

State President: Dale Decker
Area 4 Representative Jack Reefer
Director Region 1 Hugh Thompson

BRANCH DISTINGUISHED

SERVICE AWARD

Jack Gilmore
Vic Mershon

SIR 102 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

AUDITOR Fred Campbell-Craven
ATTENDANCE Ramon Murillo
ACTIVITIES Norm Steinbach
AUDIO/VIDEO Bob Fitzgerald
BOOK EXCHANGE Tom McKinley
CHAPLAIN Vic Mershon
GOLF Jeff Dye
MEMBERSHIP Ramon Murillo
NEWSLETTER George Wheeler
SUNSHINE Gary Bohn
TRAVEL Bill Maffei
WEBMASTER Gary & Steve Adams
BOWLING VACANT
THE SINGIN' SWINGIN' SIRs Robert DuPlantier
RAMP Recruitment VACANT
RAMP Activities Norm Steinbach
RAMP Membership Ramon Murillo
RAMP Publicity John Owens

HONARARY LIFE MEMBERS

As Of

Donald (Don) A. Wagner 2/23/2012 9.7 yrs
Gary Bohn 12/9/2014 7.2 yrs
Jeffrey Dye 8/9/2022
Bob Fitzgerald 11/11/2019 4.0yrs
Vic Mershon

SENIOR SIR

Senior SIR Pete McDonough

PAST 102 BIG SIR

Gordon Nielson 1983 Bill Drake, 2007
Pete Tapella 1984 Speedy Sheetz 2007
Roy Bostic 1985 Joe Virga 2008
Don Johnson 1986 Mickey Wagner 2009
Paul Siglin 1987 Bob Lamora 2010
Wesley Fisk Jr. 1988 Jim Johnson 2011
Ray Nyman 1989 Dick Larsen 2011
Don Gaylord 1990 Jim Reese 2012
Les Jones 1991 Gary Bohn 2013
Don Gaylord 1992 Don Whalen 2014
Rock Sorgman 1993 Dick Coleman 2015
Bill Spencer 1994 Jeff Dye 2015- 2016
Tom Warburton 1995 Norm Steinbach 2017
Don Neudeck 1996 Cliff Jones 2018
Don Gayner 1997 Larry Dezonias 2019
Don Wiles 1998 Mike Lorton 2020
Tom Eyman 1999 Dan Maglionico 2020/21
Bob Simowski 2000 Gary Adams 2022
Stan Spalding 2001 Gabe Reddig 2023
Chuck Shoemaker 2002
Lloyd Browning 2003
Bob Baker 2004
Don Wagner 2005
Frank Mason 2006

NEWSLETTER INPUT: Please contact me if you want to have the newsletter sent to a potential member for a couple of months or if you have any input for "your" newsletter. Phone me, 916-332-4855 or email g_wheeler@sbcglobal.net

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