



Sons in Retirement SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102 February 2021

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

To Be Determined

www.sir102.com



BIG SIR COMMENTS:

Dan Maglionico

LOOKING AHEAD

Goodbye 2020, Hello 2021. A lot of planning is being done by both Sir 102 and the State Sirs. Our new State Sir President, Stu Williams held a Fireside Chat on January 9th. It appears that our insurance will be renewed without a major increase in premium. The State Board will be meeting in early February to hopefully allow us to continue our golf program. Our golf schedule has been approved by the BEC and we hope to be playing again in early February. State Sirs have hosted leadership programs via Zoom every day during the week of January 11. Several of our BEC members have attended. In regards to re-opening other activities such as luncheons, it depends on the State of CA guidelines. The Vaccine is on the street. Dick Gaspari, Gabe Reddig and myself have appointments to get the shot. State Sirs has adopted the goal of "immune by June." We are in the process of planning a special luncheon upon re-opening as well as our traditional summer picnic and Christmas Party. We also plan to host additional wine tasting events. Our Activity Chairman, Norm Steinbach plans to pursue bocce ball, poker, and other venues if there is interest. Our travel chairman Bill Maffei anticipates a trip to the USS Hornet in Alameda, River Cats ball game, trip to Auto Museum and/or Train Museum.

Several of our members have booked personal trips in 2021. Steve and Deanna Green will be taking a Viking river Cruise from Paris to Normandy in August. Jim and Sally Stephenson are taking a River Cruise from Basel to Amsterdam in the fall. Mike and Kathy Lorton are taking an Oceania cruise in August from Copenhagen, Denmark to Southampton (London), England via Norway and Russia. Then in October, they booked a Viking river cruise from Bucharest, Romania to Budapest, Hungary. While in Romania, they are looking forward to touring Dracula's Castle in Transylvania. Dan and Dorothy Maglionico are going to Las Vegas for some shows and a tour to the Grand Canyon in April.

Hope to see you soon.

Dan



Little SIR Note:

Al Siefkin

SIR 102 Brothers, We see light at the end of the tunnel! With recent vaccine releases I anticipate almost all of us will qualify for COVID vaccination in the next two -three months. Hopefully many will start getting vaccines in the next few weeks. Sacramento County is assessing lifting the county lockdown. State SIR leadership is moving to open our SIR sponsored golfing within the next month. We have just approved our SIR 102 golf calendar for 2021. Face to face meetings at luncheon, wine tasting, picnic, and travel cannot be far behind in the late spring or early summer. Our membership is strong and while we have lost some members during the last nine months we have continued to get new members to join and start playing golf with us. It is key for every member to start thinking about who you can recruit as a new SIR 102 member right now. Contact me or John Owens and we will communicate with any prospective members about joining us for FUN ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS—WHILE MAKING FRIENDS FOR LIFE. Al

*Be positive.
Doc Al.*

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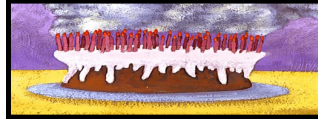


MEMBERSHIP: Larry DeZonia

.We have removed six members who have verified to me they would not be renewing their membership. We now stand at 152 members. If you read this and **have not** received any e-mails from us on Constant Contact you need to let me know. The board has voted to keep the renewal fee at \$20.00 thru February. After that the renewal fee will go to \$30.00 and after March will be dropped from the branch. So far it looks like at this time we have approximately 30 members who have not paid the renewal fee. This year we all feel confident we will be getting back together again, so please stay a member and pay the \$20.00.

Larry DeZonia

Happy Birthday



February

James (Jim) Dillon	89	Tom (Tom) Hennessy	76	Edward (Ed) Begley	74
Thomas (Tom) Eyman	86	Robert (Bob) Hayes	75	Robert (Bob) Blake	72
Tim Leslie	79	Jim Reese	74	George (Andy) Kingsbury	67



SIR 102 Newsletter Treasurer Report

Month of January, 2021

BEGINNING FUNDS	\$ 6,299.18
General Accounts:	
Bank Dividends	.24
2021 Yearly Dues (9) ¹	190.00
Constant Contact-Hosting	<u>(20.00)</u>
Net General gain/(loss)	\$ 170.24
Custodial Accounts:	<u>(0.00)</u>
Net Custodial gain/(loss)	\$ (0.00)
ENDING FUNDS:	\$ 6,469.42

134 Members have paid 2021 Yearly Dues.

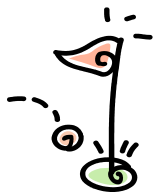
1) One dues paid at \$30

Monthly Luncheon cancelled due to CoVid-19

Note: The Branch is collecting Branch "\$20 Yearly Dues" for 2021. If you have not paid and want to remain a member. Please make your check payable to: SIR102 and mail it to:

John Slingerland
9831 Beckenham Drive
Granite Bay CA 95746

If you are not sure you paid, you may either call John Slingerland at 916-532-6515 or send an email to johnpslingerland@gmail.com to confirm your status.



BIRDIES AND BOGEY



GOLF CHAIRMAN: **Steve Green.**

Hi SIR Members,

It is a new year and things are looking up. While the State Sirs still doesn't allow golf, that may change next month. There is hope that the insurance carrier will allow golf if we follow Gov Newsom's golf mandates. The golf board will send more information as it becomes available.

In the mean time SIRS102 golfers have been setting up there own foursomes. Jim Reese has gone above and beyond and re-serves several tee times each Thursday. If you would like to play contact Jim. Remember that the golf is not a sanctioned event of SIRS102.

*Thanks,
Steve*



TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:

Jim Reese

.We had 98 members renewed their membership / joined our golf club for 2021. That's one more than we started with in 2020.

Jim



ACTIVITIES: Norm Steinbach

The first SIR activity was Golf. Today there are about 4000 of 13,500 members that play golf. In Branch 102 we have 97 of 158 members that belong to the golf club.

However, man does not live by golf alone. We need more activities to survive. In the Branch website on the Activities Page you can see the "current" branch 102 activities. On that page you also will find a Button that will link you to the State website Activity Page. On this page one can see what other Branches are doing and get detail information on those activities. I strongly suggest that every member review those activities. If Branch 102 does not have an activity you are passionate about you are encouraged to start one.

Let's get involved in 2021.

Norm



ATTENDANCE: Gary Adams

Our next luncheon for February is CANCELED due to the Coronavirus.

We will be contacting you by email to let us know if you are coming, not coming, or not eating at the next luncheon. All you need to do is make your selection and it will automatically reply. Please let us know by the Friday before the Luncheon.

- if you know the plans of any of your table-mates who do not use email, please let us know by using the **Reply** button on this message, or by texting or calling me at (916) 947-2255. Any and all responses are appreciated and would help insure an accurate count to the Elks.

Also, if you will be bringing a guest please let us know his name. Remember **Guests Eat Free!**

Gary Adams

SOMETHING SPECIAL ABOUT SIR 102!



Calvin Blair, STATE HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING CHAMPION!

I grew up moving to and from Air Force Bases as my Dad changed assignments in the Western United States, West of Omaha. I learned to make new friends a lot, which is part of why I value my relationships with SIR 102. My favorite sport in high school was wrestling and I qualified for the state wrestling tournament my Senior year. I paid my way through college with a BS in Marketing. My best accomplishment in life was helping to raise two children with my wife Terry. We will celebrate our 49 anniversary in June. My hobbies are golf, traveling in our 35 foot 5th wheel camper with our two doodles, woodworking, and an endless honey do list!



Jim Lasiter, Across the Country Travel Guru with a 12 year old navigator!

My wife and I had a career as sales representatives for the AAA Auto Club when. In 1999 AAA offered an early retirement which we both accepted! We decided the first thing we would do was to buy a motorhome and take a trip across the USA. Our 12 year old daughter was our navigator. We spent 2 months on the open road in our 26 foot class C. I only made 2 camp ground reservations, July 4th just outside of Martha's Vineyard and a few nights in Yellowstone National Park. Along the way I met my Dad's family in Texas for the first time (that story for another time). We all had 6 things we each wanted to accomplish on the trip, such as visiting the Alamo, putting my feet in the Mississippi River, etc. One of my daughters requests was to eat a hot dog in Boston; where that came from I still don't know today! The best part of the trip was meeting fellow campers all over the country and with our California license plate we always attracted guest to our many campsites. That was a once in a lifetime trip for us! ss Jim Lasiter



Dick Gaspari, World Famous Entomologist for USDA!

I received my degree in Entomology for Utah State University and I spent 32 year with the USDA. The job was to prevent injurious plant and animal diseases and insects from coming into the country and to try and eliminate them if they did get in. I started out at JFK airport working with Immigration and Customs. As my career developed I went to the Mexican Border where I was a Border crossing guard. I then moved to San Antonio Texas as Officer in Charge of airport, and was responsible for 25% of all our work in Texas. We later moved to Hawaii where I was in charge of our work spectrum on all the Hawaiian islands and our responsibilities across the South Pacific. The last years of my career were in Sacramento as the Assistant Regional Director, USDA with responsibility for 17 western states and the Mexican Border. Some items I worked on and am especially proud are eradication of Boll Weevil from US and Mexico, eradication of pink bollworm, spraying Los Angles for Med Fly, eventual eradication of Med Fly, bio control of noxious weeds, rearing and release of several different Biological control insects, and regulating bio technology in agricultural crops. I give many presentations only on Mexican Boarder experiences and on the Biological Control work.

SIR 102 2020 OFFICERS

BIG SIR.....Dan Maglionico
LITTLE SIR..... Al Siefkin
SECRETARY.....Tom Hennessey
ASST. SECRETARY.....Jim Lasiter
TREASURER..... John Slingerland
ASST. TREASURER.....Phil Quinley

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Norm Steinbach (2021)
Ulf Tylen. (2021)
Cliff Jones (2021)
Al Siefkin (2021)
Larry DeZonia (2022)
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Gary Bohn (HLM)

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State President: Derek Southern
Area 3 Governor: Kevin Mahoney
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BOWLING VACANT
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RAMP Activities Norm Steinbach
RAMP Membership Larry DeZonia

HONARARY LIFE MEMBERS

As Of
Donald (Don) A. Wagner 2/23/2012 8.7 yrs
Gary Bohn 12/9/2014 6.2 yrs
Thomas Eyman 9/12/17 3.1 yrs

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 DeZonia 2019
Don Wiles 1998 Mike Lorton 2020
Tom Eyman 1999 Dan Maglionico 2020/21
Bob Simowski 2000
Stan Spalding 2001
Chuck Shoemaker 2002
Lloyd Browning 2003
Bob Baker 2004
Don Wagner 2005
Frank Mason 2006

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