



**SONS IN RETIREMENT
SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102
JULY 2024**

LUNCHEON MEETING

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Next Meeting

Executive Board Meeting 9:30

Tuesday

Social Hour 10:45 Luncheon 11:30

July 9th

Carmichael Elks Lodge

Lunch Menu

**Variety of Sandwiches,
Chips Salad and Dessert**

BAR WILL BE OPEN



BIG SIR COMMENTS

CAL CONLEY

I hope you all will have a wonderful 4th of July.

Jason Cuff, was the speaker at the June luncheon. He had an excellent presentation regarding the program: Agency on Aging. Jason also indicated that he would like to be a member of our branch. I hope he submits an application. Jim Lunford brought a guest, Mike Garziabit, to the luncheon. I hope Mike submits an application for membership.

Bill Maffei, Travel Chairperson discussed the protocol regarding the tour of the USS Hornet on June 24th.

The following SIRS were winners at the monthly drawing: Ralph Torres, Tim Goffa, Alex Hoeffner, Jim Lloyd, Jerry Harmon, Gary Varney, Bob Baker, and Robert Duplantier. Congratulations to all of you.

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. As I mentioned at the June Luncheon, I would identify activities that SIRS Branches participate in. The activities that Branch 102 have available have an *.

Billiards, Bocce, Book Club, Book Exchange*, Bowling, Bridge, Chess, Computer Technology, Cribbage, Dinning Out, Brewery (Beer Tasting), Breakfast Club*, Hamburger Club, Dominoes, Fishing Group, Golf Club*, Movie Club, Pickle Ball, Pinochle, Poker*, Singin' Swingin' Sirs,* Walking/Hiking* and Travel*.

If you would like to participate in a new club that is mentioned, contact me and I will assist you. Jack Gilmore has volunteered to contact each activity group regarding their activities for that month. He will submit the information to Eloy Herrera for publication in the bulletin.

As approved at the June BEC Meeting, the August lunch will cost \$10.00. And, if you bring a quest, you and the quest will be free. That luncheon should have the largest attendance of SIRS for the year.

Something to think about: The four most expensive words in the English language are "this time it's different." John Templeton, Investor

Cal



LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

GARY ADAMS

As I sit here watching the Milwaukee Brewers vs San Diego Padres, I am frequently reminded how much a team effort is required for the Teams to be successful. Not unlike any organization, but those guys must perform, to stay in shape and follow the skills required to do their job. Obviously a SIR Branch doesn't require anything close to a baseball team, however, it does require members to participate and get involved.

Asking friends or neighbors to come for a free lunch to see what we do, or just ask them to see what goes on at our meetings, or asking them if they are interested in playing golf, Bocce Ball, Poker games, go to our picnic, or the fantastic Christmas Parties we have.

We all had our reasons for coming to SIR102, I know I wanted to play golf, so I joined for golf specifically, not knowing anything else about SIR102. I am so glad that I did. I have, over many years, and I don't even know how long I have been in SIR102, but it's been a while, I have met so many neat guys, and played so many golf tournaments, Rolling Hills, and Carson City, and our local courses as well. The golf was great and the friendships, even greater.

I truly cannot tell you how many friends I have made in the process. Unfortunately, I have lost a number of friends along the way as well. Our current average age is around 79 years old, and believe or not, 76 years old is the average age of US male deaths.

Sadly, we had George Wheeler's ceremony at the Military Cemetery in Dixon last week. Several SIR members and many other guests filled up the service. A two gun salute, taps, and a flag presentation sent George off in a great way. George will be sorely missed by all of us at SIR 102.

On a more positive note, we should also make sure that members and potential members should be aware that we are going to have a special invitation to members and new members at our August Meeting. Each member who brings a potential new member to our Aug. meeting will do so for a free lunch for the Member and the Guest!! Let's have a great effort by everyone to enhance our membership while we can! If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact a BEC members to clarify or answer any of your questions!

Guest Speaker for July will be Fred Campbell-Craven: To talk about project he recently did that was required, by a class for certification as a California Naturalist. It was for the restoration and beginning to replant with California native plants of a half-acre of his property that was destroyed by drought.

Gary

SIR 102 NEWSLETTER TREASURER REPORT

Month of June, 2024 to 06/30/2024

General Accounts: **\$13,262.48**

Bank Dividends \$.55

Constant Contact – Hosting (April) \$. (28.00)

Net General Gain/(Loss) \$ (27.45)

Custodial Accounts:

Luncheon Receipts 06/11/24 \$ 1,670.00

Luncheon Elks Club Luncheon Expense 06/11/24 \$ 1,474.00

Luncheon Raffle/Wine 06/11/24 \$ (49.02)

Luncheon Bar 06/11/24; To Meet \$175 Minimum \$ 0.00

Net Custodial Gain/(Loss) \$ 146.98

ENDING FUNDS: **\$13,382.01**

Active Membership is 114

Next Luncheon is Tuesday, July 9th, 2024: Cost is \$25.00 for Eating; \$5.00 for Attending but not eating. Guests are Free.

ADVANCE NOTICE: In appreciation of our members the August 13th, 2024 luncheon will be discounted. Member lunches will be \$10. Members who bring a guest will be free. Members attending but not eating will also be free.

Please respond to email for August Luncheon that you will attend, so we can have an accurate attendance count.



BIRDIES AND BOGIES

JUNE 2024

web site: www.sirinc2.org/branch 102



Jeff Dye

Greetings to all:

Well, by the time you read this it will be close to July 1st.

As of this writing we have approximately 29 golfers and 16 ladies signed up for our golfing trip/mini vacation in Carson City. It looks to be another great trip thanks to our Golf Travel Chair, Don Wagner, who again is performing the magic to make this happen. Don has gone beyond the call of duty for decades as Golf Chairman, Travel Chairman, Golf Secretary, Big SIR, Little SIR, BEC Director, Secretary, Honorary Life Member and author of his infamous duck jokes and anything else asked of him. Be sure to give him a big "thank you" when you see him. The trip starts on July 17th and concludes on July 20th.

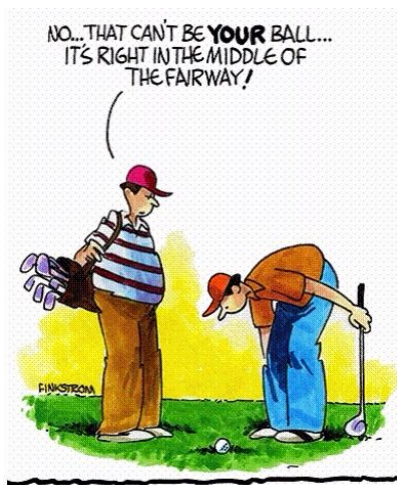
Jim Stephenson and Randy Howery continue to do a great job as TD and Asst. TD/Handicapper so our golf program has been run very efficiently. John Thomas continues to keep the books for the golf club and has also done a great job. Thank them also and maybe even buy them a beer occasionally!

Our next out of town tournament is at Rolling Hills in Corning around the end of September. Fliers with details for signups will probably be out at the August and September luncheons. Plan to attend and bring a guest if you choose. He just needs an NCGA index to compete.

Match Play and Club Championship Play continues to be played. We should know who the big winners are soon.

Look forward to seeing you at the July 9th luncheon meeting.

Jeff



A Little Humor

Remember hot days of summer can be fixed by two things: both have to be ice cold: a good margarita and whatever kind of beer you enjoy. For those of you who don't drink alcohol, just make sure it's cold.

"We must recognize that as we grow older, we become like old cars – more and more repairs and replacements are necessary."
C.S. Lewis

"The older I get, the better I used to be." Lee Trevino

"Common sense is like deodorant, the ones who need it, never use it." Bill Murray

GOLF TRIVIA

Here are the answers to last month's Golf Trivia question:

Seems like most people did not read the Trivia question, only one response and it was wrong, so no one got it right.

Who hit the only golf shots on the moon and when? Alan Shepard, Feb 6th 1971 on his moon walk as part of the Apollo 14 mission.

What club did he use? It was a Wilson Staff 6-iron head, rigged for attachment to the "contingency return sample collector" he was to use on the moon. Because of the bulky space suit, he had to hit one-handed with a restricted swing. He shanked the first one, but hit the second. At the time he quoted it went "Miles and Miles" later through improved technology studying the photographs it was determined it went 40 yards. The Miles and Miles sounded good at the time though.

How many balls did he leave there? Two

Golf Question for the Month: How many golfers have won the Masters back-to-back, who were they and in what years? If you have answer; first to email me, Eloy Herrera: tmexelov@yahoo.com for a free drink from the bar at next meeting.

On this date July 9th 1966 Jack Nicklaus won the British Open

To date there have been only six officially recorded condors in golf (a four under on a hole). Five were on par fives and one on a Par 6. The most recent was by Kevin Pon, who made a 2 on a par 6, 649 yards, at Lake Chabot Golf Course, Oakland CA, on 10 December 2020. No condors to date on PGA tour or in SIRS 102.



RAMP NEWS – JULY

Norm Steinbach

The Branch 102's RAMP2024 program got off with a good start. As I have been away the last several weeks I have very little to update for program. We did meet on the 29th of May with 10 members attending and all them sharing their views.

I think that are next step is to break out into teams -Improve the Monthly Luncheon/Meetings; Activities; Publicity; Recruiting new Members; Filling branch positions.

Norm

SUNSHINE REPORT



Gary Bohn



As your Sunshine person, I will try to report on our SIR 102 Members and wives that have been in or out of the hospital or have sustained 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 family member as well.

Eloy Herrera's wife fell and fractured her hip at the end of April. She had surgery, to install rod and screw, the first of May. She was in the hospital for 3 days and then and then went to Eskaton for 3 weeks for rehabilitation with therapist. She is able to walk with a cane for short distances, longer she has to use a wheel chair. She has at least two more months of recovery and then, if all goes well, will have knee replacement surgery in late September or early October on same leg.

That is all I have at this time if anyone has any information on another of our members, please send me an email at garybohn1@comcast.net or call at (916) 722-4446.



Ramon Murillo

JULY MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Greetings:

Membership is at 114

No Member losses to report

No New Members to report

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

Ramon



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Frank Mason 82, 7/1 Fred Chapman 78, 7/10 Jerry Ontiveros 77, 7/17 Robert Duplantier 84, 7/21

Tim Ryan 72, 7/24 Ben LaSala 80, 7/28 Michael Bowling 65, 7/30

SIR ACTIVITIES

Book Exchange Every Meeting



Please Bring a Book and Take ones of your choosing

Breakfast Buddies, every Third Wednesday at 8:00AM

Lido Café and Bakery, 7907 Fair Oaks Blvd, Carmichael

Golf Events for July

11 July Teal Bend

17-20 July Carson City Golf Trip

25 July – Lincoln Hills

Poker

First event was held at Cal Conley's home with seven participants and the plan is to continue in the future on the last Wednesday of each month from 12:00 to 4:00 PM

Fantasy Football League (FFL)

I tentatively plan to start a FFL for the upcoming NFL Season. IF you are interested in participating, please email me, Eloy Herrera at tmexeloy@yahoo.com IF, I can get 10 for the league, I will send out detailed instructions on how to participate or host a zoom meeting with all the details on how to participate. For now, please email me if you are interested so I can see who and how many are interested.

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)
Robert Duplantier (2026)
Niles Christopherson (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 Eloy A. Herrera
SUNSHINE Gary Bohn
TRAVEL Bill Maffei

WEBMASTER Gary Adams
THE SINGIN' SWINGIN' SIRS Robert DuPlantier

RAMP Recruitment Vacant
RAMP Activities Norm Steinbach
RAMP Membership Ramon Murilo
RAMP Publicity John Owens

HONARARY LIFE MEMBERS

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

SENIOR SIR

Pete McDonough

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 Speedy Sheetz-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

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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 tmexclay@yahoo.com