

### SONS IN RETIREMENT

#### SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102

#### **MAY 2024**

#### **LUNCHEON MEETING**

**Next Meeting** 

**Lunch Menu** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month

**Tuesday** 

Pizza and Salad

Executive Board Meeting 9:30

May 14<sup>th</sup>

**BAR WILL BE OPEN** 

Social Hour 10:45 Luncheon 11:30

Carmichael Elks Lodge

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#### **BIG SIR COMMENTS**

#### Cal Conley



I hope you will have a wonderful Memorial Day Holiday Weekend at the end of the month and remember to honor all the military personnel who gave all.

Gary Adams was our speaker at the April Luncheon and he gave an excellent prestation about Amblyopia (Lazy Eye).

Bill Maffei, (Travel Chairperson), informed SIRS that he has a tentative date of June 10<sup>th</sup> to complete a tour of the USS Hornet. Bill checked into traveling by bus, however the price is prohibitive; approximately \$50 per person. The tentative plan is to meet at the Elks Club parking lot and carpool to Alameda. I am sure that Bill will have more information at the May Meeting.

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 email the Little SIR Gary Adams at: (916) 947-2255 or email <a href="mailto:gaadams00@yahoo.com">gaadams00@yahoo.com</a>. Also, if you are going to bring a guest, please call Gary as well. The May lunch is a Pizza Party.

I am leaving for England April 22<sup>nd</sup> and will return on May 15<sup>th</sup>. In my absence Little SIR Gary Adams will conduct the May BEC meeting and the Luncheon Ceremonies.

Something to think about: "Always, in all circumstances, wear comfortable shoes. You never know when you may to run for you life." Callie Khouri, Screen Writer Director

Cal Conley



#### LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

#### **Gary Adams**

Hello SIRs

Not sure if I can double my pay for this month, since I will be doing double duty with Cal gone across the pond in merry old England.

I hope you all got something out of last month's speaker's topic as he did his best to be informative without being too boring. We do not have a guest speaker this month, but we will have our RAMP committee introductions and give a little overview of what they have undertaken for the betterment of our branch and for all its members.

Gary Adams

#### **SIR 102 NEWSLETTER TREASURER REPORT**

#### Month of April 2024 to 4/30/24

BEGINNING FUNDS \$13,330.03

**General Accounts:** 

Bank Dividends \$0.57

2024 Dues (2) \$60.00

Constant Contact Hosting (April) (\$28.00)

Net General Gain/Loss \$32.57

**Custodial Accounts:** 

Luncheon Receipts 04/09/24 \$1,1285.00

Luncheon Elks Club Luncheon Expense 04/09/24 (\$1,122.00)

Luncheon Raffle/Wine 04/09/24 (\$41.46)

Luncheon Bar 04/09/24; (to meet &175 Minimum) **\$0.00** 

Net Custodial Gain/Loss \$121.64

**ENDING FUNDS:** \$13,484.24

Active Membership is 115

Next Luncheon is Tuesday, May 14,2024; Cost is \$25 for Eating \$5.00 for

Attending but not eating. Guests are FREE

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IF you do not plan to renew your membership, please let me know by email by phone at 916-532-0595 or by email at johnpslingerland@gmail.com

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#### **BIRDIES AND BOGIES**

#### **MAY 2024**

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By the time you read this article the Rolling Hills Tournament will have been played. More on the results next month. Our biggest tournament of the year is in Carson City on July 17-20 at the Gold Dust Casino. Signups will be at the May and June Luncheons. Guests are welcome to attend. If a golfer, he will need an NCGA Index to play. This outing doubles as a mini vacation. We have tournaments on the 18<sup>th</sup> at Toiyabe Golf Course and on the 19<sup>th</sup> at Silver Oaks Golf Course. We have banquets on all three nights with a no-host bar plus breakfast coupons for each day. There will be a putting contest for the ladies, free bowling, a slot machine tournament and awards dinner, Friday evening, plus a nightly raffle prize. This outing is definitely our biggest golf event of the year and we encourage you come, mingle and make some wonderful memories.

Many thanks to our Travel Chairman, Don Wagner, for organizing this trip and making up the great fliers. Please refer to them for more specifics.

On the lighter side: "I've just killed my wife", cried the hysterical golfer rushing into the clubhouse. "I didn't see her. She was right behind me you see," he sobbed. "I started by back swing and clipped her right between the yes. She must have died instantly."

"What club were you using?" asked a concerned bystander.

"Oh, my 2 iron."

"Oh, murmured the other, that's the club that always gets me in trouble too!"

Jeff Dye

#### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

#### Ramon Murillo

Greetings;

Membership is 115, one more than last month.

Fred Simmons was added back to the roster.

No New Members to report.

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

#### Ramon



#### **RAMP: Norm Steinbach**

Branch 102 is establishing a new RAMP 2024 program to improve the following processes: Recruiting new members, maintaining current Members, Improving Luncheon attendance, Recruiting members for officers for BEC and activity positions, and Increasing members involvement with the Branch.

The following members are the RAMP 2024 Committee: Norm Steinbach, Don Wagner, Cal Conley, Ramon Murillo, Jeff Dye, Dallas Eto, Eloy Herrera, Gary Adams, and Robert Duplantier.

The kick off meeting was Wednesday May 1. Please contact one of the committee members if you have any suggestion or comments.

The weather is getting nicer and it is time to start our Bocce Activity. We need someone to volunteer to Chair the Bocce Ball Club.

Bill Maffie is scheduling a trip to see the USS Hornet in Alameda on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact Bill for more information. Note that he will not be available May1-May 15 as he will on vacation in Sicily.

"The grass is greener where you water it" - Ben Franklin

Norm

#### SIR FRED CHAPMAN'S LITE HIKE GROUP

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at Del Webb in Roseville

We gathered at Fred's house in the Del Webb housing area at 10:30am. After chatting with Fred's wife, we departed in our vehicles to go to one of the entry points to a paved two-lane walking path that skirts the housing area and meanders along Pleasant Grove Creek Trail through a green-belt riparian area of many valley oaks, flowers, grasses, wildlife and vernal pools/ponds.

Fred's timing for this day's hike was outstanding. Just two days before our walk it got to 86-88 degrees and windy. On our day, you couldn't ask for a more beautiful morning for a walk. The temperature was in the low-mid 60's with very little wind, and although it was a bit cloudy, it was still bright enough for some of us to wear our sunglasses. We encountered many other folks out enjoying a walk on the path that day, some with their dog, but we had many times on our walk when we felt like we were all alone. It was a slow-paced walk, very peaceful & quiet – except for some chatter between us at times. Overall, a very enjoyable morning with good friends.

After we had walked far enough, we turned around and leisurely walked back to our entry point. Total walk: about 1 hour 43 minutes, covering about  $2\frac{1}{4}$  miles. Then we had a very good lunch and welcome refreshments at the Timber Creek Lodge at Del Webb Golf Course. A really great day!







L-R: Alex Hoeffner, Bob Baker, Fred Chapman, Bob Fitzgerald and Jack Gilmore.

You should plan to go on the next hike with Fred. Contact him at **moondafc@yahoo.com** to get on his notification list for the next hike. I highly recommend it.

Photos and text by

Bob Fitzgerald, HLM

SIR Branch 102 Audio/Video Guy

(Look for more photos on the Book Table at our luncheon



#### May Birthdays

Gabe Redding, 83, 5/3 Gary Blythe, 80, 5/5 Henry Idica, 85, 5/7 Jim Munson, 89, 5/12

Jim Hunnicutt, 74, 5/20 Gunner Haug, 87, 5/25 Alex Hoeffner, 81, 5/25. Norm Kreiser 88, 5/28

#### 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)**Don Wagner** (State HLM) **Gary Bohn** (HLM) Jeff Dye (HLM) **Bob Fitzgerald** (HLM) Vic Mershon (HLM)

#### STATE OFFICERS

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

#### **BRANCH DISTINQUISHED** 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 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 Chuck Shoemaker-2002 Stan Spalding-2001 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 Don Whalen-2014 Dick Coleman-2015 Jeff Dye-2015-16

Gary Bohn-2013

Norm Steinbach-2017 Cliff jones-2018

Larry Dezonia-2019 Mike Lorton-2020

Dan Maglionico-2020-21 Gary Adams-2022

Gabe Reddig-2023



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