

# Rooster's Tale



*Sons in Retirement* – Branch 110 Meeting January 27, 2020  
1705 Manzanita Avenue, Chico, CA – Luncheon 11:30 AM – Executive Committee 9:30 AM

## Boys and Girls Club Ability First Program

Ability First provides a variety of programs designed to help people with disabilities achieve their personal best throughout their lives. Their person-centered programs are grounded in individual choice, autonomy and community participant. They empower individuals with autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome and other intellectual/developmental disabilities to discover what is important to them in their lives and to develop the skills that are important for them to achieve their goals.



The luncheon speaker will be Scott Dinits. Scott has been the Director of the Boys and Girls Club and Ability First for fifteen years. His presentation will be about the "Boys and Girls Club" and "Ability First".



**Big Sir Message** Happy New Year 2020! First I would like to thank our Past Big Sir, Phil Morgan for an outstanding year 2019. With Phil's leadership and our BEC officers, SIR'S Bidwell Branch 110 won the Dwight B. Sale annual award for Excellence, welcomed 32 new members, averaged 122 at our monthly luncheons. As of December 2019, membership count stands at 190 members and we have averaged 122 members at our monthly luncheons. Congratulations for a good year! **Continued on page 3.**

### 2019 Officers & Directors

Big Sir – Steve Laird	Little Sir – Ron Imhoff
Secretary – Bob Dinger	Asst. Sec. – Richard Matt
DB Mgr. – Rocky Rockwell	Treasurer – Ed Matzdorff
Asst. Treas. – Ted Raleigh	Asst. Treas – Norm Stump
Attendance Sec. – Don Curtis	
Director – Jim Amis	Director – Dave Jones
Director – Ken Tietz	Director – Mike Nicholas
Director – Jose Lopez	Director – Ken Edson

### Lunch Menu

Salad bar, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Fresh Vegetables, Fresh Rolls Apple Pie for dessert

### Attendance

**We want all members to fill out the new survey to let us know your lunch plans. If you can't do the survey, contact Don Curtis by Thursday, January 23, at 343-8893 or doncurtis60@hotmail.com**

**The price of a full lunch will increase to \$19. The price of a salad will still be \$10.**

**Branch 110 Website: <http://www.branch110.sirinc2.org>  
Webmaster: Ron Braziel**

## SIR 110 Activities



### Bridge

Bridge high scorers were Karl Kumli, Bob Dinger (2) and Barry Donaldson. Come join this friendly group of SIRS.

They meet weekly on Thursdays at 2750 Sierra Sunrise Terrace in Chico at noon. Call Robin Thompson 343-2953 for information.



### Dominoes

We had two tables of players for Mexican Train in December and the winners were: Marilyn Gebhardt and Maggie Navarro

Come join us. We meet at Red Lobster for lunch (\$15) and Dominoes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday— each month from 11:30 AM to 4 PM. New players are welcome! Call Joe Navarro at 343-0832, if you have questions.



### Pinochle

December pinochle had 13 little elves enjoying goodies and playing pinochle.

Winners were: Maggie Navarro - 1<sup>st</sup>, Cindy Heffren - 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Mary McLay - 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Come join us. The group meets at the Red Lobster on the 4th Wednesday at 11:30 AM. Call Joe Navarro at 343-0832, if you have questions.



### Piscatology

Our membership keeps growing. Twenty-six SIRS are in our fish group. We had a good turnout at our December breakfast. Our six fish trip dates are planned for 2020. Destinations will be decided soon. If you like to fish, join us at the Cozy Diner at 7:45 AM on the second Thursday of each month. Many of us have fish boats but an equal number or more do not. We are not limited to just fishing from boats. We offer you the opportunity to connect with someone who just likes to fish too. A schedule of trips in 2019 is on our web site section. The 2020 dates will soon be posted.

If you like to fish, join us for breakfast at the Cozy Diner on the second Thursday of each month at 7:45 AM. Call Bob Weckerle at 864-6698.



### Hiking

Hike Hooker Oak on January 21, 2020.

Let's assemble in Upper Bidwell Park, at the Hooker Oak parking lot, on Manzanita Avenue at 10:00 AM. We will hike to Horseshoe Lake via the Middle Trail. We will then loop behind the golf course, on the Yahi Trail, and follow Chico Creek back to the Five-Mile picnic area and end up back at Hooker Oak. The hike will be approximately 3 miles on prepared trails most of the way. Wear good hiking boots/shoes and dress for the weather. Rain will cancel. This is a moderate hike, so it's a good one to work out those holiday "kinks". Bring water, a light snack, walking sticks, a camera (phone), a spouse and/or that prospective member. Questions? Call or email Jim Hertl at 897-0402 or jim.hertl@sbcglobal.net.



### Cars, Coffee & Donuts

**No January activities have been indicated.** Plans for future events

are being pursued.

Questions? Call Joe Silbernagel at 530-680-1452.

### Out To Lunch (OTL)

The OTL( Out To Lunch Bunch )will be touring to the Delvan wildlife duck and geese refuge between Willows and Williams, on Old Hwy. 99. We will meet at Raleys parking lot between The Waffel House and Firm Mattress at 9:15 AM on the **16th day of January**, the third Thursday. We will eat at Casa Lupe in Willows around noon.

For more information, contact Bill McNelley at 530-228-7948.



### Bocce 110

No further activities are currently planned.

If you are interested in participating, contact Dave

Zebly at 895-1153.

### Woodworking

There will be no woodworking activities until further notice.

## Travel

- February 24 - Mar 1, 2020  
Hawaiian (2) Islands
- March 29 - April 5, 2020,  
Princess Cruise Pacific Northwest Coastal Cruise



For more information on these tours, contact Jose Lopez at 891-6715 or 864-5978.

## Vino 110



Sixteen Wine Club members signed up for *Wine Time in the New Year* to be held at Wine Time in Chico on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 3 PM.

Cost is \$15 per person. Great wines from Oregon and Washington will be featured. For more information call Keith at 343-5358.

## History Club

Darrell Hands has volunteered to have the group over to his home for a presentation of his historic golf clubs and some interesting golf history. The activity will be at **10 am, January 23**, at 1009 Adlar Ct. which is off hwy 32, Oak Way, near 8th ave. and behind Emma Wilson School. Darrell will supply coffee and donuts. **His wife, Lili, is Chinese and Chinese custom has people removing shoes when entering the house.**

If you have questions, or suggestions for activities, contact Don Alger at 894-2452 or [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu)

**Big Sir** **Message continued:** Our In & Out Breakfast will be at Mom's Restaurant on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 9 AM and we will introduce to you our BEC Officers for the year 2020. I will be the Big Sir for 2020, my name is Steve Laird, and I would like to introduce to you our new Little SIR, Ron Imhoff – I look forward to working with Ron and all of our BEC Officers for the upcoming year. We will have our 1st luncheon meeting of the year 2020 on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. The BEC meeting will be at 9:30 AM and our monthly luncheon will be at 11:30am. I look forward to seeing you all attend and welcome our new Bidwell Branch 110 Officers. I will follow the tradition as was stated in 2019 and continue our goal for 2020. Keep it fun, keep us fresh, and keep us growing. We are The Best in the West! I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming January 27th meeting. And remember, bring a friend to lunch!

## SIR Golf Reports



### December 9, 2019 Bidwell Golf Course SIRS Wildcard Scramble

Flight 1 Winners	Group Net 58.5	Flight 2 Winners	Group Net 60.3
ATKINS, NORM		GRIFFIN, RON	
KEYSER		MCNAMARA, DENNIS	
MABREY, BOB		MESSINA, JOHN	
NAVARRO, RAY		SMITH, SAM	

**Closest to pin #4:** 1<sup>st</sup> SOMMER, BENNY - 27' 11"; 2<sup>nd</sup> KNOWLTON, JACK - 32' 3"; 3<sup>rd</sup> MABREY, BOB - 20' 4"; 4<sup>th</sup> MCNAMARA, DENNIS - 42' 8"; 5<sup>th</sup> PEDERSON, GARY-43' 8"

## January 6, 2020 Bidwell Golf Course

Flight A	Net	Flight B	Net	Flight C	Net
MCNAMARA, DENNIS	69	CAMY, DON	67	BARGER, JIM	74
BRASWELL, CECIL	75	NAVARRO, RAY	72	BROSSOIT, PAUL	75
CABRAL, MAT	75	SOMMER, BENNY	74	RAPP, RICH	77
FELLNER, CRAIG	76	CATO, DAVE	77	MESSINA, JOHN	81
DONAHOO, SCOTT	76			PERTUIT, GLEN	81
PEDERSON, GARY	76				

**Closest to pin #7:** 1<sup>st</sup> DAHL, JAKE - 18' 3"; 2<sup>nd</sup> NAVARRO, RAY - 19' 6"; 3<sup>rd</sup> DONAHOO, SCOTT - 28' 0"; 4<sup>th</sup> SOMMER, BENNY - 32' 1"; 5<sup>th</sup> VELASQUES, JOE - 34' 9"



The **Boeing 747** is an American wide-body commercial jet airliner and cargo aircraft. The first wide-body airplane produced, it was dubbed a "Jumbo Jet". Its distinctive hump upper deck along the forward part of the aircraft has made it one of the

most recognizable aircraft. Manufactured by Boeing's Commercial Airplane unit in the United States, the 747 was originally planned to have 150 percent greater capacity than the Boeing 707, a common large commercial aircraft of the 1960's. First flown commercially in 1970, the 747 held the passenger capacity record for 37 years.



**January 12, 1970:** A group of 380 people (361 passengers and 19 crew) became the first to travel a commercial flight on the new Boeing 747, making a chartered Pan American World Airways flight from New York to London in what was described as "a dress rehearsal for regular service."

**January 21, 1970:** The first commercial flight of the Boeing 747 "jumbo jet" airplane was scheduled to depart New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport at 7:00 in the evening and boarding began at 45 minutes before takeoff. Two hours later, however, the flight was grounded because an engine overheated while the 747 was waiting in line behind other jets that were anticipating clearance. The aircraft, christened "Young America" a few days earlier by First Lady Pat Nixon, returned to the gate, where the passengers disembarked until a second 747 could be obtained. The substitute airplane, designated as "Clipper Victor", was then renamed Young America, but would not begin boarding until the early hours of the next day.

**January 22, 1970:** The first scheduled airline flight for the Boeing 747 "jumbo jet", operated by Pan American Airways, departed from New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport at 1:52 in the morning local time (0652 UTC), after a delay of almost seven hours. Pan American Flight 001 was to have started its maiden flight at 7:00 the previous evening. Once aloft, the gigantic airplane carried 332 passengers and a Pan Am crew of 18 to London's Heathrow Airport, where it arrived at 1:05 in the afternoon (1305 UTC). Though the flight had been sold as a round trip, 128 passengers canceled their reservations to return to New York on the 747, "perhaps the greatest number ever compiled by a single airliner."

**(Information obtained from Wikipedia January 11, 2020.)**



## MEMBERSHIP

**There are currently 187 active members.**

Membership brochures and applications are always available at the membership table or you can call Don Levensaler at 891-1045 to get one via the postal service.

**No New Members were inducted in December 2019**

### **Guests in December 2019:**

**Gary Hendrickson** guest of Rich Olsen  
**Ron Gray** guest of Ralph Dacy

**Jeff Fain** guest of Neil Sorger  
**Dave Schlichting** guest of Dave Rush



## SUPPER CLUB

No supper club activities are currently planned after January 14th. Future plans are dependent on the formation of a new Supper Club Committee.

## Announcements

# Happy New Year!

- **Editor's Note:** Deadline for the February Rooster's Tale is Thursday, February 6. Send your articles by email: [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu) or phone him at: (530) 894-2452.
- **State SIR Bulletin: ("Sir Happenings")** The latest edition is available for review at <http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>
- **February Program:** Craig Rigsbee will be our speaker on February 24th. His subject is going to be the football players that went through Butte College and what their careers were like in the NFL.
- **Annual Basket Collection (ABC):** Just a reminder that our annual **ABC fee** is due for the new year. It will be \$24.00 for the year and it will be collected at the membership table.
- **Increase in Lunch Cost:** The price for a full lunch will increase for the January luncheon to \$19 but the price of a salad will remain the same at \$10.
- **Chaplain Report:** Dr. Robin Nichols died December 16th. Bill Crowston died December 17th. Bill Gebhardt is at Twin Oaks Post Acute Care. Let's have their wives--Dorothy, Ginny, and Marilyn respectively---in our thoughts and prayers. Tom Shifflet, Chaplain.

**My New Year's resolution is to try to remember why I've walked into a room.**



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If you have a January Birthday, join us at the January 27<sup>th</sup> luncheon and find out what you might win. **Perhaps a free lunch!!\*\* Perhaps the 1<sup>st</sup> table called for lunch!!**

Don	Alger	Jan	7	Dan	Houseman	Jan	17	Tim	Murphy	Jan	24
Wayne	Brown	Jan	7	William	Jemison	Jan	09	Gerald	Pocan	Jan	14
William	Cohea	Jan	24	Donald	Kidd	Jan	9	Harold	Reck	Jan	17
Peter	Costa	Jan	28	Stephen	Laird	Jan	2	James	Renlund	Jan	25
James	Currin	Jan	22	Hilmar	Lassotta	Jan	1	Kenneth	Shannon	Jan	21
Victor	Fisher	Jan	20	Craig	Lindquist	Jan	13	Roger	Steel	Jan	17
John	Hamiter	Jan	6					Don	Sturt	Jan	20

**\*\*It is also possible to get a free lunch card without being a Birthday Boy. There is a free lunch winner at every meeting from a name badge drawing. Also both the sponsor and his guest receive a free lunch when the guest joins and is inducted.**

**Bring a friend to the next SIR meeting!**