



SNOWLINE BRANCH # 113

<https://sirinc2.org/branch113/>

JANUARY 2024

≡HAPPY NEW YEAR≡

BIG SIR REPORT

I would like to thank you for your confidence in electing me to be your Big SIR for the coming year. Our Branch and the SIR organization have a lot to offer men that live in our beautiful foothills. Our organization is unique. We do not raise money for any charities; we are not political or religious; we are devoted to sharing fun activities with each other. Goals for the year are centered on publicity, marketing our branch, and increasing membership. To do this, I hope everyone will help to spread the word among friends and neighbors. Bring a guest or new member to our monthly meetings and show them what SIR can be for them.



One of the beauties of SIR activities is that we generally meet on weekday days and evenings. This is perfect for the guy that has flexibility in his daily schedule to participate in SIR activities, luncheons, and special events. You don't have to change your weekend schedule!

We also hope to expand on our activities. Should you have any ideas, please share! We're looking forward to starting activities, sharing interests, and perhaps working on projects together.

At the January meeting, we look forward to a presentation exploring our Branch 113 and State SIR websites. There is a wealth of information and resources at our fingertips.

Wishing you a happy and healthy 2024.

LITTLE SIR REPORT

I am happy to be a bigger part of SIR Branch 113. As little SIR I will do my best to support the previous activities and add some more.

Bowling plays an important part in Branch 113 and has created many friendships. This year's picnic introduced us to a wonderful BBQ crew "The Hillbilly Boys". We had such a great time, I would support doing it more than once.

We had a good turn out for Bocce Ball and had a load of fun. Everyone brought snacks, BBQ and supported the winery. We look forward to having even more participation next year.

A couple of "wine tasting" gatherings is another activity we should continue in 2024.

Branch 113 has participated in the Placerville Christmas Parade for a number of years (see the article and more photos on page 4.)

I am looking forward 2024 and pushing for more enjoyable experiences and Branch participation.





Christmas Party

(Additional photos are on the Branch 113 website sirinc2.org/branch113)



← Welcome to new member Mark Liedstrand



Russ Salazar administered the Oath of Office to the 2024 Board of Directors



Bocce Ball Champions of 2023

STRIKING UP FRIENDSHIPS



Branch 65 and Napa Bowl will host the first tournament of the New Year on January 16-17. This will be a singles/doubles event in which you can bowl both events on one day, or like Cindy and I, drive and bowl one event in the afternoon, spend a night, and bowl the next event the following morning. We always enjoy having dinner with fellow SIRs that travel with us accompanied by some that are local to the area. Doing this allows us to drive home earlier in the day avoiding rush hour traffic.

Napa Bowl is one of only fifteen centers in the nation that have installed USBC-certified string pin setters. USBC has done much research on bowler scoring between free fall and string pin setters which indicate a minimal difference in averages. Those findings will allow bowlers to use their current average in tournaments with string pin setters. I look forward to testing this theory!

February 15-16 we will be bowling a tournament hosted by Branch 69 held at Country Club Lanes in Sacramento. This has been a very popular tournament drawing one of largest groups of SIRs. Interestingly enough, some of the lanes at Country Club also have string pin setters; however, they are not USBC certified and we will not be using those lanes. With this one so close to home, you won't want to miss it!

Interested in how string pins work and the research behind them? Visit the USBC website for all you need to know: [BOWL.com](http://www.bowl.com) | [String Pinsetter Research](http://www.usbc.com) Better yet, come with us to Napa in January and try them out for yourself!

For more information about SIR bowling and the calendar, check out our website at: <http://www.sirinc3.org/sirBowling/index.html>

Christmas Parade



Article and Photos By Chris Crowley

Sirs being involved in the Christmas parade is a great activity for branch 113. We had a large group. Ken "Moose" Brown had a decorated cart. He and Terry Crowley carried candy and stuffed animals, while Chris Crowley walked along passing out candy and the animals. The kids faces really light up when you hand them a prize.



Gary Lenz had a wonderful decorated cart, his wife Lana helped pass out gifts. Gary had set up the big float with Big Bird, Micky and Mini Mouse riding along. Rick Ramos drove another cart with his wife, Paulete, passing out the fun gifts. Ray Di Basilio Little Sir rode along. Big SIR Ron Fenech drove his classic Red truck, Terry Fenech and friends rode in the back. It was lots of fun and I would encourage all SIRS to be involved next year, It's a special day.



SIR Caller List - Updated 2022

Attendance Chairman	Ron Boschee	530-644-7572
Caller for badges 1 to 10	Open position	
Caller for badges 11 to 20	Al Earl	530-644-3208
Caller for badges 21 to 30	Open position	
Caller for badges 31 to 40	Open position	
Caller for badges 41 to 50	Lowell Thoreson	530-647-0588
Caller for badges 51 to 60	Ron Boschee	530-644-7572
Caller for badges 61 to 70	Eric Jack	530-644-7405
Caller for badges 71 to 80	Open position	
Caller for badges 81 to 90	Moose Brown	530-647-2168
Caller for badges 91 to 100	Don Uelmen	530-306-1920
Caller for badges 101 to 110	Open position	
Caller for badges 111 to 120	Open Position	
Caller for badges 121 to 130	Al Muckerheide	530-644-4692
Caller for badges 131 to 140	Jim Cooper	530-644-2212
Caller for badges 141 to 150	Lee Anderson	530-647-0215
Caller for badges 151 to 160	Greg Pease	209-914-6734

Membership Roster Changes

Please report any additions or necessary changes to the Membership Roster directly to Dall Neeley at (916) 826-1657

Let folks know you're proud to be a SIR.

SHOW YOUR COLORS!

Jackets, Vests, Golf Shirts, Bowling Shirts, Baseball caps, Bucket hats (all with custom embroidered SIR Rooster logo), Lapel Pins, Bolo Ties, Business Cards, Pens, Embroidery Services too and much more....



JANUARY 11th MEETING at Sportsman's Hall

**Menu – Sliced beef sandwich Soup, dessert, coffee or drink.
Entrée can be swapped out for Chefs Salad.**

Speaker - .Ray DiBasillo

"The state of Branch 113"

January Birthdays

Robert Bigelow
Vanja Illich
Al Muckerheide



SIR SNOWLINE BRANCH 113

A non-profit public service organization for retired men. Dues Are \$15 per year. Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at Sportsman's Hall restaurant, 5620 Pony Express Trail in Pollock Pines. Social Hour begins at 11:00am and Lunch at Noon. Cost is \$30.00 (rate is current but can change)

Travel Non-Responsibility Declaration

Travel activities arranged or sponsored by SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC. and its Branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests. SONS IN RETIREMENT, INC. and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well-being and/or safety of participants or their property in any matters pertaining to said activities.

Snowline Branch #113----2024 Officers

Big SIR ----- Ray DiBasilio ----- 530-558-9727
Little SIR ----- Chris Crowley ----- 510-742-1024
Secretary ----- Ken Schoniger ----- 408-568-0677
Asst. Sec. ----- Vanja Illich, ----- 916 743-9915
Treasurer ----- Moose Brown ----- 530-240-5160
Asst. Treas. ----- Jeff Pease ----- 510-757-8741

Directors

Sam Griffis, Greg Pease, Ron Bochee,
Rich McMahan , Richard Stading, Ron Fenech

Past Big SIR's

1983-4	Harold Cobb	2001	Ed Andrews
1985	Matt Engs	2002	Bob Kipp
1986	Bob Johnson	2003	Ed Cutter
1987	Bob Rath	2004	Cecil French
1988	Bill Campau	2005	Bill Harris
1989	Emil Kibasa	2006-7	Bill Reed
1990	Reg Warrick	2008	Larry Leibnitz
1991	Andy Anderson	2009-10	Tim Hall
1992	Al King	2011	Chuck Wilson
1993	Ed Merrill	2012-13	Russ Salazar
1994	Woody Harvey	2014-15	Don Uelmen
1995	Elmer Jacob	2016	Paul Ricci
1996	Jack Hansen	2017	Paul Kramer
1998	Ron dePass	2018 & 22	Lou Gagne
1997	Cecil French	2019	Dennis Staller
1999	Bill Short	2020-21	Ken Brown
2000	Conrad Kellor	2023	Ron Fenech

Committee Chairmen

Attendance/Badges
Ron Boschee 530-644-7572
Audit Committee
Lou Gagne III 925- 963-2548
Barn Sale
Richard Stading 530-444-0971
Bulletin Editor
Don Uelmen 530-306-1920
Bocce Ball
Chris Crowley 530-742-1024
Chaplain
Don Uelmen 530-306-1920
Christmas Party
Moose Brown 530-240-5160
Fishing
Steve Veffredo 530-644-2808
Horseshoes
Ted Rytel 530-647-0138
Live Theatre
(Open Position)
Membership
Don Uelmen 530-306-1920
Nominating
Sam Griffis 530-6441608
Parades
Chris Crowley 530-742-1024
Photographer
Bert Abrahamzon 707-365-5186
Aldo Panattoni 530-644-1356
Picnic
Vanja Illich 916 743-9915
Hillbilly Boys
SIR Bowling
Ray DiBasilio 530-558-9727
Sunshine
Moose Brown 530-240-5160



HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Emeritus - Russ Salazar
Branch - Ray DiBasilio
Don Uelmen
State - Ron dePass

SIR State Officers

President Dale Decker 209-533-0455
Vice President Stu Williams 510-865-5000
Area 6 Representative Gary Johnson 530-333-4814

**Bulletin/Newsletter changes call Don Uelmen
530-306-1920 or email tspdon@cwo.com**

Enjoy reading **SIR Happenings**, our State Newsletter,
and find out about all the fun things that are going on
throughout our organization.

