



# SNOWLINE BRANCH # 113

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

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## BIG SIR REPORT

SIR Friendship: A Lifelong Bond

Friendship is one of the most cherished and fulfilling relationships we experience in life. It is the bond that connects us to others, providing comfort, joy, and a sense of belonging. Unlike family, which we are born into, friendship is a relationship we choose, built on shared interests, mutual respect, and a deep understanding of one another. Friendships established in SIR remind us that we are not alone.

September brings us the last days of summer and the first days of fall. As I write this article, I am looking outside to some of the first rain drops of the coming season and the smell of some cool fresh air. Elvin Bishop sang Sure Feels Good:

*I never seen such a beautiful day  
Looked like everything is coming my way  
Feel like a bird just leaving a cage  
Looks like my luck is Getting ready to change*

I don't know about you, but I am sure looking forward to the autumn colors and a little cooler weather in our foothill communities.

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## LITTLE SIR REPORT

We will be playing Bocci Ball on September 13th at 11AM. There is a challenge from the Emblem Club. Bring snacks to share and buy a bottle of wine to support our host the Fenton Harriot Winery for the use of their Bocci courts. Winners in August were Vanja Illich, Mike TerMaat, and Ted Rytel.

The speaker for the August Luncheon was Tim Whalen from the Veterans Resource Center. He spoke about the wide variety of ways they help veterans. He brought the veterans rolling office that includes space for mental health therapy and treatment such as PTSD. It was well received.



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## Big SIR Report continued

Below are Branch 113 Officers to be confirmed for 2025. Note there is an opening for Little SIR. This is a great opportunity to share leadership skills in a role that assists in the decision-making process. Please let Sam Griffis (Nominating Committee Chair) or myself know if you or another one of our SIR friends would like step up.

Next year's slate of officers:

Big SIR: Chris Crowley Little SIR: OPEN  
Treasurer: Ken Brown Assistant Treasurer: Jeff Pease Secretary: Ken Schoniger Assistant Secretary: Mark Liedstrand Membership Secretary: Ron Boschee. Directors: Greg Pease, Rich McMahan, Don Uelmen, Sam Griffis, Vanja Illich and Ray DiBasilio

Notable days in September:

- September 2: Labor Day · September 17: Constitution Day. This day celebrates the adoption of the U.S. Constitution, which occurred on September 17, 1787
- September 13: Kids Take Over the Kitchen Day (Good luck with this one)
- September 19: International Talk Like a Pirate Day "Me Hearties, Aarr"

In a world that can sometimes feel isolating, SIR friendships add richness to our lives. The value of our shared SIR friendships is immeasurable, and its impact lasts a lifetime. If you know someone that would benefit from our activities, please invite them to our next meeting. We live longer and have more fun with friends! Talk, Walk, and Be A SIR. Let other men see the fun and camaraderie Branch 113 has to offer!

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## Striking up Friendships



Cindy and I arrived in Reno mid-afternoon on Sunday for the much-anticipated tournament at the National Bowling Stadium. After checking into our hotel, we took a ride to the Nugget for dinner with our friend and SIR tournament volunteer, Cyndy Hanley. Later, on our way back to the hotel we noticed smoke rising just past the casinos, but did not think anything concerning. Back in our room we turned on the news to find that a fire on the side of 80 near Verdi, closed the highway and evacuated residents of the local area including Boomtown.

## Little SIR Report continued

The September Luncheon speaker will be Lt.Col. Ted Rytel (Ret.), US Army, telling us about the history of Military Decorations. I can't wait to hear his information.



**Union Mine High School football "Chain Gang" SIR Branch 113 members Greg Pease, Rich McMahan, Jeff Pease, and Chris Crowley have been performing this Community Service for five years.**

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We soon started receiving calls from several bowlers staying at the Silver Legacy and other hotels in the Row saying that the power was out and wondering if the bowling center had power (priorities ... lol). Despite the fire, Highway 80 closing for six hours, and power outages through much of Reno, 150 bowlers along with wives and friends met up to bowl in Reno for three days of fun and competition. What an amazing group!

Pictured on page 3 is our friend and event coordinator at the NBS, Ginger Ridley. Ginger has retired (doubtful) and moved to Las Vegas where her two sons and families live. It has been an absolute pleasure to have worked with Ginger for close to 20 years on SIR tournaments. Her smiling face and kindness have supported not only SIR bowling, but all bowling at the NBS as long as we have been going there. We wish her a well-deserved relaxing retirement. Maybe we should follow Ginger and hold a tournament in Las Vegas???

### Upcoming tournaments:

August 28-29 – Grass Valley, Prosperity Lanes  
September 9-10 – Carson City, Homegrown Lanes

September 25-26 – Pacheco, Paddock Lanes  
For more information about SIR bowling, the full calendar, and applications, check out our website at: <http://www.sirinc3.org/sirBowling/index.html>



## Bowling Reno Photos

By Ray DiBasilio



## LABOR DAY September 2

Labor Day is a federal holiday celebrated the first Monday of September to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the works and contributions of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States.

Beginning in the late 19th century, as the trade union and labor movements grew, trade unionists proposed that a day be set aside to celebrate labor. "Labor Day" was promoted by the Central Labor Union and the Knights of Labor, which organized the first parade in New York City. In 1887, Oregon was the first state of the United States to make it an official public holiday. By the time it became an official federal holiday in 1894, thirty states in the U.S. officially celebrated Labor Day.

## NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY September 8

We celebrate National Grandparents Day on the first Sunday after Labor Day. This year, the date falls on September 8. Like Mother's day and Father's day we also have a whole day dedicated to our grandparents. Grandparents and children have a special connection that is proven to both make grandparents live longer, and also make children more emotionally resilient. Grandparents Day is an opportunity to treasure that connection and spend some quality family time together.

## PATRIOT DAY September 11

In the United States, Patriot Day occurs on September 11 of each year in memory of the people killed (excluding the hijackers) in the September 11 terrorist attacks in 2001.

In the immediate aftermath of the attacks, carried out by terrorists from Al-Qaeda, President George W. Bush proclaimed Friday, September 14, 2001 as a National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims of the Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001.

A bill to make September 11 a national day of mourning was introduced in the U.S. House on October 25, 2001, by Rep. Vito Fossella (R-NY) with 22 co-sponsors. The result was the resolution to proclaim September 11, 2002, as the first Patriot Day.

The flag of the United States is flown at half-staff at the White House and on all U.S. government buildings and establishments throughout the world; Americans are also encouraged to display flags in and outside their homes. Additionally, a moment of silence is observed to correspond with the attacks, beginning at 8:46 a.m. (EDT), the time the first plane, struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001.

**SIR Caller List** - Updated 2024

<b>Attendance Chairman</b>	<b>Ron Boschee</b>	<b>530-644-7572</b>
Caller for badges 1 to 10	<b>Open position</b>	
Caller for badges 11 to 20	<b>Open position</b>	
Caller for badges 21 to 30	<b>Open position</b>	
Caller for badges 31 to 40	<b>Open position</b>	
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	Rich McMahan	530-719-5411
Caller for badges 71 to 80	<b>Open position</b>	
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	<b>Open position</b>	
Caller for badges 111 to 120	Mike Schei	530-677-3144
Caller for badges 121 to 130	Al Muckerheide	530-644-4692
Caller for badges 131 to 140	<b>Open Position</b>	
Caller for badges 141 to 150	<b>Open Position</b>	
Caller for badges 151 to 160	Greg Pease	209-914-6734

**September 12th Luncheon at Sportsman's Hall**

Prime Rib melt Sandwich, Macaroni Salad,  
Chicken Noodle Soup, Dessert, Coffee or Drink.  
(Entrée can be swapped out for Chefs Salad.)

**Speaker** - Lt.Col. TedRytel US Army (Ret.)

**September Birthdays**

**Jeff Boatman  
Don Bohringer  
John Hoffman  
Larry Leibnitz**



**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.

**Membership Roster Changes**

Please report any additions or necessary changes to the Membership Roster directly to Don Uelmen at (530) 306-1920

**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....**



**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



**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 , Don Uelmen, 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**

Activities  
Russ Salazar 530-303-2092  
Attendance/Badges  
Ron Boschee 530-644-7572  
Audit Committee  
Lou Gagne III 925- 963-2548  
Bowling  
Ray DiBasilio 530-558-9727  
Bocce Ball  
Chris Crowley 530-742-1024  
Bulletin Editor  
Don Uelmen 530-306-1920  
Chaplain  
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Christmas Party  
Moose Brown 530-240-5160  
Fishing  
Steve Veffredo 530-644-2808  
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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  
Picnic  
Vanja Illich 916 743-9915  
Hillbilly Boys  
Sunshine  
Moose Brown 530-240-5160



**HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS**

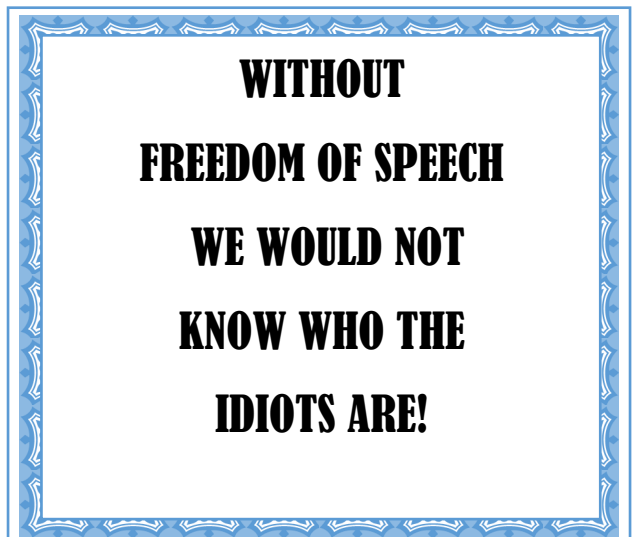
Emeritus - Russ Salazar  
Branch - Ray DiBasilio  
Don Uelmen

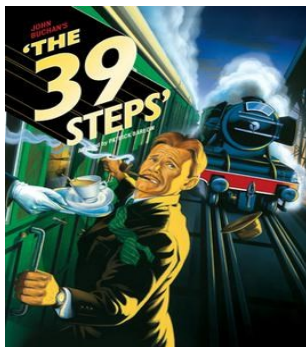
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President Dale Decker 209-533-0455  
Vice President Lee Lamp 530-921-1375  
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530-306-1920 or email [tspdon@cwo.com](mailto:tspdon@cwo.com)**

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and find out about all the fun things that are going on  
throughout our organization.





# "The 39 Steps"

A Wickedly Funny Comedy

Saturday, September 14, 2024, 2:00 PM Matinee  
Imagination Theater, El Dorado County Fairgrounds

Imagination Theater is proud to present "The 39 Steps", a hilarious award-winning cleverly written parody play adapted from the 1915 novel by John Buchan and the 1935 film by Alfred Hitchcock. The film is considered Hitchcock's finest. The play's concept calls for the entirety of the 1935 Hitchcock adventure film's cast to be performed by only four actors, each playing multiple roles.

We have purchased only 30 premium tickets for the 2:00 PM matinee performance on Saturday, September 14, 2024. Our price is \$20.00 per ticket and tickets are now available on a first-come-first-served basis. So don't be disappointed - SIGN UP NOW!!!

THE PLAN: We'll gather at the picnic area outside the theater for a pre-matinee social and classy person camaraderie and refreshments at 1:00 PM, Saturday September 14th. We'll then enter the theater promptly at 1:45 PM.

Questions? Contact Russ Salazar at (530) 303-2092 or [RCSalazar@aol.com](mailto:RCSalazar@aol.com)

## "THE 39 STEPS"

A Wickedly Funny Imagination Theater Production

2:00 PM Matinee, Saturday September 14, 2024 - Imagination Theater, Placerville, CA

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (530) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons \_\_\_\_\_ X \$20.00 = Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to, and send to: Russ Salazar, 9461 State Hwy. 193, Space 27, Placerville, CA 95667, or, see Russ at Red Hawk Lanes Mondays from 10 AM to Noon.