



# The Grapevine

Tokay SIR Branch 145 Newsletter

*A non-profit social organization for men over 50*



## JANUARY 2023

### Big Sir Remarks

Gentlemen,

The Annual Holiday Luncheon was very successful. Thank you to all who attended. The meal and service were excellent. Thank you to Paul Reiner for making the arrangements and assisting at the event as well! More than 60 Members and Guests attended. Also, thanks to Debi Wahlman, Lynda Canton and Lin DeFilippi for providing flowers for each of the ladies. And thanks to Paul Wright for handling ticket sales and check in.

I briefly discussed the updated **SIR Awards Program** at the luncheon and the following awards were presented:

- ◆ **President's Certificates:** Jim Morita, Howard Ferguson, Roger McCormick, Jack Fiori, Dave Matheis and Tony Canton, Sr.
- ◆ **Distinguished Service Award Pins:** Paul Wright and Mark Wahlman
- ◆ **Honorary Life Member Pins** (current HLMS): Howard Ferguson and Bob Gorbet
- ◆ **NEW Honorary Life Member** (Certificate, Pin and Badge): Al Furr

SIR State President Rick Kindle and his wife Judy attended the luncheon and assisted in making the award presentations, especially the new Honorary Life Member presentation to Mr. Al Furr. A big thank you to Rick and Judy for attending our event and for their service to SIR.

Due to increased costs, Elkhorn has raised the price of our lunches to \$25 dollars. Regrettable, but not unexpected. Annual Dues of \$20 per member are now due and may be paid at lunch or by mail.

See you at Elkhorn on January 10<sup>th</sup>!

Mark Wahlman, Big Sir

### LUNCH COST INCREASE

Effective January 2023 the cost of lunch will be **\$25**.

Elkhorn cites increased costs.  
Inflation strikes again!

### Lincoln Technical Academy Mock Interview Event

Friday, February 24, 2023

### Interested in volunteering?

Please contact:

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### 2023 ANNUAL DUES

Annual Dues of **\$20** per member are due and may be paid at the January Meeting. If not attending, please mail a check to:

Mark Wahlman  
19453 Wilderness Way  
Woodbridge, CA 95258

# January Dine-Out

Host – Andy Neal  
January 19, 2023  
4pm – Tour  
5pm – Dinner  
RSVP – [andynealus@yahoo.com](mailto:andynealus@yahoo.com)  
916-712-7129

Wine Appreciation  
January 24, 2023  
5pm  
Hosts – Felix and Mary Moran  
RSVP – [crinsa46@gmail.com](mailto:crinsa46@gmail.com)

## DECEMBER FINANCIALS

Greetings Membership:

The Christmas Lunch was a total success, there were 67 guest and members in attendance.



This month's (December 2022), expenses were as follows :

Christmas lunch to Woodbridge CC: \$2009.84 ,  
News Letter to Temple Gallagher: \$88.35

The club made a deposit of \$1880.00, money from the Christmas luncheon. Total expenses: \$2098.19 We had a net loss of: \$218.19.

Happy New Year to ALL!!!!!!

Regards,

Juan G Ochoa, Treasurer 209-481-5325

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## JANUARY SPEAKER

**Astrida Trupovnieks**

City of Lodi

Business Development Manager

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

Jack Fiori

Charles Gritts

Phillip Schrock

Sigurd Anderson

Tom Pratt

Felix Moran

Gregory Soligan

Don Carlson



## Membership Report December 2022

Membership in attendance:	34
Guest in attendance:	0
Percentage of active members in attendance	38%
Total active members:	89
Members Added:	0
Members Reinstated:	0
Members Dropped	0
Members Resigned	0

*Stephen Hellmer-Membership Chairman*



Presidential Award recipients, Tony Canton Sr. and David Matheis with Big Sir Mark Wahlman



left to right Big Sir Mark Wahlman, recipient of new Honorary Life Member, Al Furr and SIR State President, Rick Kindle



Current Honorary Life Member Howard Ferguson with Big Sir, Mark Wahlman

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## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

### 2023 OFFICERS

**BIG SIR**  
Mark Wahlman 327-7335

**LITTLE SIR**  
Felix Moran 609-4084

**SECRETARY**  
Anthony Moles 369-8182

**ASST. SECRETARY**

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**ASST. TREASURER**

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Paul Wright 480-235-6923

**Region #2** **Director Dale Decker**  
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#### **2023 Committee Chairman**

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Big Sir

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### **RECOGNITION**

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### **NOMINATING**

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### **PHOTOGRAPHER**

Paul Wright 480-235-6923

### **PROGRAM**

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Tom Pratt 916-622-4791

### **PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN**

Big SIR

### **SARGENT AT ARMS**

### **SONG LEADER**

Paul Reiner 366-1811

### **PHOTOGRAPHER**

### **TRAVEL & TOURS**

### **PAST BIG SIR**

Ruben Moser 1988-1989  
Al Baerwald 1990  
Bill Owen 1991  
Al Cooper 1992  
Earl Klapstein 1993  
Dave Stennick 1994  
Gus Armendariz 1995  
Jerry Kirsten 1996  
Bob McCaffrey 1997  
Tom Bandelin 1998  
Frank Garcia 1999  
Bob Handel 2000  
John Korphage (18) 2000-2001  
Jack Jackson 2001  
Bill Dauer 2002  
Ron Westerterp 2003  
Dave Hinchman 2004-2005  
Paul Reiner 2006  
Neal W. Welsh 2007  
John Mendonca 2008  
Bill Shankles 2009  
George Cameron 2010  
Richard Baines 2011-2012  
Al Furr 2013  
Chuck Bennett 2014-2015  
Jack Johnson 2016  
Bob Gorbet 2017  
Phil Schrock 2018  
Paul Wright 2019-2021