



# Wine Valley Press

## SONS IN RETIREMENT WINE VALLEY BRANCH #149



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### MESSAGE FROM THE BIG SIR

I am back from my wonderings in the Hawaiian Islands and Palm Springs desert and will see all of you at the upcoming June meeting. Again, Thank You to Vice President/Little Sir Daniel Harder for chairing the April and May meetings and lunches. I have heard from many Sirs that he did a great job.



As June approaches the weather is warming up inviting us to be more active outdoors, graduations plans for grand kids are coming together, summer vacation plans are being finalized, and life is moving on.

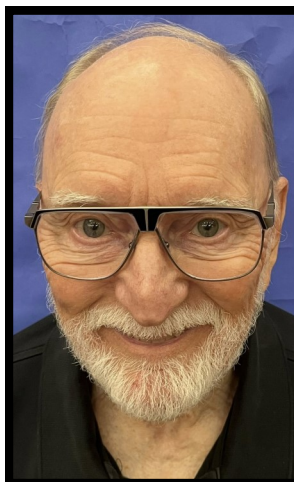
BUT PLEASE DON'T FORGET WE HAVE OUR LADIES DAY CELEBRATION COMING UP ON JULY 1 ST AND IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY ITS TIME TO GET YOUR TICKETS AT THE JUNE MEETING OR BY MAIL FROM TREASURER BILL CLARK.

Also, we still need help from Sir members to secure raffle prize donations from the community for our annual raffle at the Ladies Day celebration. So far, we have less than 10 prize donations and usually end up with around 60 raffle prize donations, so we have more work to do and need your assistance. Please check out the June article in this Newsletter about how to get raffle prize donations to Adrain Fenderson or Jim Davis. Thank you.

Finally, if you have not been to a Sir luncheon in a while it is time to invite a new friend to accompany you and join us on June 3rd for lunch and fellowship with old friends. We would love to see you. Thank You for your help.

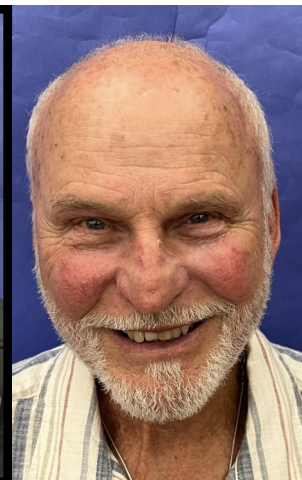
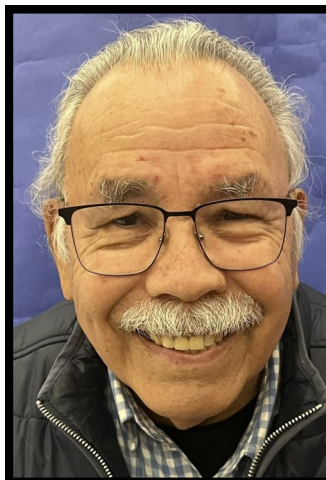
Remember, invite a friend to join us for lunch and you will earn a free lunch in the future.

Peter Dreier President/Big Sir 2025



### NEW MEMBERS

Wayne Heine  
Ruben Madrid  
James Featherstone



### JUNE'S MENU

CHICKEN FRIED STEAK w/COUNTRY GRAVY, POTATOES

### JUNE 2025 BRANCH 149 SPEAKER SUMMARY

Our June luncheon speaker will be Laurence Koros from the Napa County Library. He will be sharing with us the vast resources of the library and the services it offers to customers, including online services you can access from home and educational forums and groups.

DON'T MISS THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT THE NAPA COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES AVAILABLE TO US

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR LITTLE SIR

Thank you for the positive feedback on our guest Kelly Fuller, I hope all of you enjoyed her music and tribute to the Dream Bowl through song. Kelly had a wonderful time meeting you and expressed interest in returning soon.

A couple of quick reminders, The Ladies Day Picnic is fast approaching and the more items we have for the raffle and the silent auction the more opportunities to sell tickets, if you need the thank you letters for donations please contact me and I can email as a printable Pdf.



One of our ongoing goals is growing our membership Craig Ruess and I had our first meeting to identify what we can add and improve on when it comes to garnering new membership and keeping them active in the group. Our best resource is word of mouth, and the new trifold folders are a great tool to share with friends and neighbors to let them know what our organization offers.

As mentioned above Craig and me are creating a committee to find new ways to compliment what we are already doing and would really appreciate having a few more members join us in this endeavor. Please contact either one of us if interested in joining us. We had a good day at the Farmers Market and again I encourage all of you to join us, it's fun to talk to perspective members and just say hi to people you know. Please contact Neil who is the RAMP Committee Chair, and he will give you the details on dates and times.

Our upcoming speaker for June will Lawrence Koros from the Napa County Library, Lawrence is one of the resource directors and will share the opportunities the library offers from tax preparation, transferring photos to digital formats, educational seminars and so many others. Please go to the Napa County website at the home page please scroll down to the events box and click, you can view all the clubs like tech help, grief and bereavement, movies and so much more. If you are interested a particular groups you find Lawrence will be able to get you started.

In August Kelly O'Conner will join us from the Napa Historical Society, in September Deputy District Attorney Patrick Collins will be discussing consumer fraud and share ways we can protect ourselves from being victims. Melissa Gerard LCSW will be joining us from Providence Adult Health to present their new resource guide. This publication will be one of the most comprehensive guides for senior services in Napa County. Our scheduled speaker for November had to cancel so I will be working on a replacement.

## ACTIVITIES CHAIRMEN

**Bicycling** Bill Shields 287-1246  
Ass't. Chuck Youngson 225-2814.

**Bocce** Mario Mazzoleni 227-8977

**Book Exch.** Bill Wheadon 224-3901

**Cards** Bob Hairston 252-0252

**Classic Cars** Dan McCabe 224-6835

Ass't. Dan Silveira 252-2284

**Computers** Adrian Fenderson 479-4688

**Cribbage** Bob Benning 337-2614

Events Dan McCabe 224-6835

**Fishing** Daniel Harter 637-3859

**Golf** Weekly Gary Garver

Monthly Jim Keller 415 827-4904

Sec./Treas. Jim Keller 415 827-4904

HNDGP. Larry Timmer 252-8079

Area 7 Golf Chairman

Jim Keller 415 827-4904

**Trips** Dan McCabe 224-6835

**Romeo** John Lansingh 254-1056

**Travel** Looking for a new chairman

### RV's/Roving Roosters

**Coordinator** David Dennis 392-8837

**Theater** Bob Benning 337-2614

Adrian Fenderson 479-4688

**Veteran's Act** Vacant

**Walkers** Dave Henry 227-7413

**Website** Adrian Fenderson 479-4688

**Wine Tasting** Chris Bailey 925 8904630

**World of Beer** Gary Toczylowski 510-507-6870

## PAST BIG SIRS

1992 Lou Hughes	1993 F. Heid *
1994 W. Barber*	1995 T. Tomlinson*
1996 D. Gibson *	1997 P. Miller
1998 D. Westover *	1999 E. Coyne*
2000 B. Johnson *	2001 D. Newell *
2002 M. Jack *	2003 D. Brooks*
2004 K. Pieper	2005 J. Gibbany*
2006 A. Brambrink	2007 T. Jensen
2008 E. Suden	2009 G. Greco *
2010 C. Harris	2011 J. Chandler
2012 D. Collins	2013 R. Barker
2014 J. Cox	2015 T. Borman
2016 D. Pangburn	2017 Stu Williams*
2018 J. Prudhomme	2019 Carl Hammond
2020 Carl Hammond	2021-22 Tom Dawson
2023 Ron Irwin	2024 Peter Dreier

\* Deceased

## COMFORT REPORT FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER

Please remember and pray for peace, comfort and healing for the following Sirs:

1. Tom Dawson has spent over two weeks in the Kaiser hospital in Vallejo as he continues cancer treatments.

Pray for healing for Tom and peace and comfort for

Betty.

2. Jerry Tipton injured his shoulder in a fall.

3. Condolences to Dave San Fillipo who is grieving his wife's passing and is dealing with physical ailments.

4. Condolences to Joe Chandler who is grieving his wife's passing last December.

5. Dave Hobaugh is still battling a lung infection and is constantly on oxygen.

6. Keith Piper and Ed Suden are convalescing at assisted living facilities.

7. Ken Lloyd is still undergoing cancer treatments.

8. Condolences to Bill Wilson's family on Bill's passing on 5/11/2025. .

These are the Sirs I know about. I'm sure there are other Sirs who are not able to enjoy the full benefits of our luncheons and other activities due to health concerns.

Good and gracious God, we pray for peace, comfort and healing for all Sirs who are having health problems. God's blessings to all.

Sir Ron Irwin,

Comfort Chairman



Last month's speaker Kelly Fuller

Dan Harder setup an incredible fun day at Lake Berryessa fishing. Tom Atkinson, Adrian Fenderson, and Richard Brozaitis caught their limits in very large trout and also had lots of



The beer group outing  
at Mare Island



## ACTIVITIES

### Bicycling with SIRs Bill Shields & Chuck Youngson

SIR bike riders meet every Thursday. For more information contact Bill by email [t.bshields6@comcast.net](mailto:t.bshields6@comcast.net) or phone/text at 707-287-1246; or At [chyoungson@yahoo.com](mailto:chyoungson@yahoo.com) or 707-225-2814.



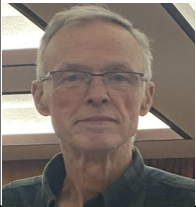
### Bocce with SIR Mario Mazzoleni

Thursday is BOCCE Day for SIRS on the Bocce Pavilion at the Napa Senior Center. For more information, please contact SIR Mario Mazzoleni at [1mariomazzoleni@gmail.com](mailto:1mariomazzoleni@gmail.com) or call or text to 227-8977.



### Book Exchange with SIR Bill Wheadon:

Bill and colleagues have a wonderful display of books for loan, covering several tables. The Book Exchange Table, invites you donate books! When the supply of books exceeds the SIRS storage area the overflow will be donated to the Napa Library and just about every month we take a large box of books to the library. Thanks for your generous gift of books **Your spouse of significant other may come before the meeting to pick out books.** For more info, contact SIR Bill Wheadon at 707-224-3901.



### CRIBBAGE WITH BOB BENNING

Hard to believe I am sitting here composing my SIR cribbage bulletin and it is raining outside! May marks the changing of our venue from inside John Lansingh's home to Bob Benning's backyard. The official date is Monday May 19 at 2 pm. Since I have not moved, the address is still 2571 Patricia Drive. I have cleaned up the backyard, much to the disruption of the spider community, and have the lawn looking its best.

All levels of skill, from expert Pete Smith to rookie Jim Warren, are welcome. For Fred Bond's benefit, the bring your own alcohol rule has been reinstated. SIR Bob Benning (707 337-2614).



### Cards with SIR Bob Hairston

If the weather permits, bring your classic to our SIRS meeting. For more info., contact me at 707-224-6835 or [djmccabe547@comcast.net](mailto:djmccabe547@comcast.net).



### ROVING ROOSTERS

The Roving Roosters RV Club will begin another fun filled year. Our first outing will be to Lake Siskiyou near Mt. Shasta on June 1. We always enjoy two weeks of fishing, sightseeing, boating, hiking, dining and camaraderie with our club members. If this sounds like something you would like to participate in and have an RV, please contact me for more details. We always like inviting new members and guests to our fun filled events.

David Dennis

[davedenn888@gmail.com](mailto:davedenn888@gmail.com)



### NEWSLETTER



Please send any pictures or notification you need to put in the newsletter to me at [dkwonderful@gmail.com](mailto:dkwonderful@gmail.com)

## CARDS WITH BOB HAIRISTON



The poker group has changed their meeting day. We now play on Monday at 1PM at the Elks. No more Thursdays. Bob's email is [forebleepers@yahoo.com](mailto:forebleepers@yahoo.com)

## GOLF

Napa SIRS golf is coordinated by both Jim Keller ([jimkellerrealestae@icloud.com](mailto:jimkellerrealestae@icloud.com)) and Gary Garver. [gogsirsgolf@yahoo.com](mailto:gogsirsgolf@yahoo.com) Please contact them to get on their lists to be notified of upcoming events. There are weekly golf outings (both 9 and 18 holes) at a variety of courses generally within one hour of Napa.

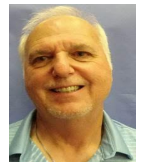
## COFFEE WITH MIKE MINUS BOB

**Weekly SIRS Coffee** Coffee with Mike and the guys) Every **Tuesday at 9 a.m. at Brewed Coffee at 865 Factory Store Drive** in the Factory Outlet Center off of Freeway Drive. **Mike Murrell** is chairing of this activity. This activity is open to members of both Branch 149 and 65. Come for coffee and serious or silly talk and to meet new friends with similar interests. One requirement: leave emotions and weapons at home. Bob and Mike's email addresses are: [mikemurrell.1@gmail.com](mailto:mikemurrell.1@gmail.com)



## WINE TIPPLERS WITH CHRIS BAILEY

"Sirs Wine Tipplers April tasting was Pinot Noir wines. We had 22 attendees! Everyone had great time at our monthly event. Next month we will not have an event as I will be in Europe.



## WALKERS WITH DAVE HENRY

### Monday Walkers,

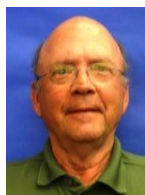
We meet in the East parking lot at Nob Hill Market. At 8:00 AM we will cross Trancas Ave and walk the perimeter of Trancas Crossing Park. Then we will walk the River Walk from Trancas to Lincoln. The course is level and paved. So, there is no mud or strenuous hills to climb. I hope to see many of you there. Any questions please contact me.



Best Dave Henry

I: [dhenry91@comcast.net](mailto:dhenry91@comcast.net)

Mobile: (707) 227 7413



## WEB PAGE AND FACEBOOK

We are proud website. Note button that will of the new Please look at



of our SIR #149 that there is a be linked to a PDF person application. our site and suggest

any changes you would like to see so that we can make it very user friendly. We encourage all SIRS to keep up with what is happening between newsletters by signing up for Facebook and look at our SIR Branch 149 Facebook page. Also watch the Upcoming Events column and calendar on our website Home Page

at [www.branch149.sirinc2.org](http://www.branch149.sirinc2.org). Please send any happenings, updates, and photos of SIR events to SIR Adrian at [napadentist@sbcglobal.net](mailto:napadentist@sbcglobal.net) or contact him at 479-4688.

Many apologies if we have issued  
anyone's names!  
Please let us know if our data-  
bases are not correct!

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

First	Last	BDay
Tom	Fisher	10-Jun-1944
Mark	McClintock	10-Jun-1960
Martin	Carnell	11-Jun-1943
Jim	Olson	11-Jun-1950
Daniel	Harder	15-Jun-1958
Craig	Harris	15-Jun-1939
Bill	Hester	17-Jun-1946
John	Sobelman	18-Jun-1947
George	Clark	23-Jun-1950
Chuck	Youngson	23-Jun-1948
Jay	Blitstein	24-Jun-1954
Jim	Cheney	24-Jun-1949
JT	Tagliaboschi	24-Jun-1959
Napa-Nick	Sanza Sr	27-Jun-1952
Keith	Pieper	28-Jun-1935



## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Bill	Dawn Parks	1-Jun-2022
Frank	Carol Hauck	3-Jun-1976
Mike	Cinde Cromwell	9-Jun-1979
Chris	Vanessa Andrews Bailey	10-Jun-2020
Tim	Cheri Borman	14-Jun-1980
Frank	Toni D'Ambrosio	15-Jun-1984
Gary	Emily Snethen	15-Jun-1999
Danny	Deb Grant	25-Jun-2011
Napa-Nick	Marcia Sanza Sr	27-Jun-1976
Bob	Austene Hall Archibald	27-Jun-1981
Mike	Patte Quinn	30-Jun-2001

## 50+ Years of Wedding Bliss

Jack	Marilyn	Dennis	2-Jun-1973
Keith	Joan	Pieper	2-Jun-1957
Bob	Doris	Klein	5-Jun-1971
Carl	Linda	Hammond	13-Jun-1964
Bill	Susan	Clark	14-Jun-1969
David	Joan	Feury	14-Jun-1969
Dave	Joan	Collins	16-Jun-1957
Ron	Sandy	Schneider	16-Jun-1962
Gerry	Midge	Schneider	18-Jun-1965
John	Gail	Lansingh	29-Jun-1968
Mike	Marilyn	Campbell	30-Jun-1963
Ed	Ellie	Frankina	30-Jun-1955

# " LADIES DAY PICNIC "

July 1, 2025  
Napa Elks Lodge  
2840 Soscal Avenue  
Napa, CA

**Ladies Day Picnic** tickets will be available for purchase at the upcoming June 3rd luncheon.  
This will be the last luncheon that you will be able to purchase your tickets before the picnic.

Tickets are \$45 per person.

Social 10AM - Outdoor Activities & Bingo 10:30AM - Lunch 12 Noon

Tri-Tip Steak & BBQ Chicken, Beer, Wine, Cake and all the Fixings.  
Activities will include Bingo, Bocce, Corn Hole, Raffle Prize Drawings Don't miss this great event.

If you are unable to attend the luncheon, you may purchase tickets by sending a check made payable "SIR Branch 149" to:

Bill Clark  
Branch Treasurer  
1635 San Vicente Avenue  
Napa, CA. 94558

Be sure to include a self-addressed return envelope so we may return your tickets to you.



Thursday Morning Bike Riders

## Statistics

Current membership = 206

Number of Sirs December 2024 = 70

Number of guests at our May meeting=2

Number of new members 2025 7      Number of new applications 2

## **SIRS 149 BRANCH NEEDS YOUR HELP**

### **GETTING RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS**

### **FOR THE 2025 LADIES DAY PICNIC CELEBRATION**

The raffle prize tickets that we sell at the Ladies Day Picnic on July 1, 2025, are our major fundraiser of the year and help us to subsidize and keep costs affordable for both the picnic and the Christmas Dinner. We depend upon members to help us secure raffle prize donations from the community. We need the help of all SIR members.

THE DATE LOCATION OF THE PICNIC IS JULY 1, 2025 AND IT WILL BE HELD AT THE ELKS LODGE.

Once you secure a donation, please contact either Jim Davis at 707 226-1119,

JimmyWD@comcast.net or Adrain Fenderson at 707 479-4688, napadentist@sbcglobal.net and they will coordinate with you to collect the donations. They will need a description of the donation, the name of who donated the item, the value of the donation, and name of the member securing the donation.

The deadline for submitting a donation to Jim or Adrain is Friday, 6/27/25.

Thank you to all SIR 149 members who can help us obtain Raffle Prizes for the

2025 Ladies Day Picnic at Elks Lodge!

Peter Dreier

It is with great sadness that I need to inform you that we lost another faithful



member of Sirs. I was informed today that Tom Cunningham passed away on 5/11/2025. His family will be hosting a private memorial service for Tom.

Tom was a member of Sir Branch 149 since May 2000. He was a faithful member who always attended our luncheons. His wife said that Tom talked very fondly of his time and activities with

I was notified today that Bill Wilson passed away on



5/11/2025. Funeral information will be provided at a later date.

Bill was a member of Sir Branch 149 since 2016.

We offer our condolences to Bill's family.

Sincerely,  
Ron Irwin  
Comfort Chairman



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