

Sons in Retirement

(SIR)

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The Mission of Sons in Retirement is to improve the lives of our members through fun activities and events while creating friends for life.

On Saturday, September 9th, I attended my first “Fun Day with the SIR’s.” I was not sure what to expect other than I knew my wife Mary and I were going to play a little Bocce Ball, enter a putting contest, participate in a golf tournament and enjoy dinner. These events were all part of a well-organized “SIR Fun Day.” As the day started, I figured I would have some time in between events to make some progress on a few home projects. Boy, was I wrong. Not only did I not work on any home projects on Saturday, I also could not work on the home projects Sunday. Why? I was exhausted from having too much fun the day before at an incredible “SIR Fun Day.”

Andy Ameigerias organized the Bocce Ball tournament. There were 34, four-person teams with a single elimination format. There were some exciting matches with large crowds of people cheering each other on. After 2 hours of fun competition, the final game was played. Team Ameigeiras/ Fenstermacher played against Team Barbee/Clausnitzer. The final match as determined by one point!



Congratulations to First Place Bocce Champions Don & Sig Clausnitzer and Mariko & Dan Barbee.



Congratulations to 2nd Place, Peggy & Terry Fenstermacher and Sandy & Andy Ameigeiras

The putting contest organized by Glenn Delisle, kicked off at 11 am. There were both a men's and women's flight with nine holes of play. There were 23 women who participated. Susan Tozer, set the bar early with a score of 17 putts. Would it hold up or would someone better the score? Several women were close. BJ Jones and Jane Nole scored 18 putts. At the end, no one was able to match or beat Susan's score of 17 putts.

For the Men's Flight, 30 men participated. Jim Shiro set the bar early with 18 putts. His score was matched three other times by Ron Wolyn, Don Stevens and Ray Tschirhart.



Putting Champion Susan Tozer and runner ups BJ Jones and Jane Nole.

The golf event was organized by Senior Sir, Chuck Mercer. This was a fun 12 hole scramble event, with 12 foursomes participating. The first three places were within 1.17 strokes of each other.

Congratulations to the winners:

1st Place Winners: Dennis Camarlinghi, Gary Bell, Terrell Jackson and Raul Martinez.

2nd Place Winners: Tom Wright, Ann Fairclough and Don & Chris Stevens.

Closest to the Pin:

1st Place Susan Tozer

2nd Place Mary Heaton

1st Place Jim Gunn

2nd Place Frank Sullivan

The day was quite the success with 136 Bocce players, 53 putting participants and 48 golfing participants. I personally am looking forward to next year's SIR Fun Day!

At our October meeting, Big SIR Jim Goetsch introduced two new Senior members. Congratulations to Phil Frank and Art Kusnick who recently turned 90 years young.



The SIR golf tournament was held on September 25th at Timber Creek

Congratulations to the following:

1st Place, Flight 1: Tom Wright

1st Place, Flight 2: Ray Tschirhart

2nd Place, Flight 2: Jerry Langseth

1st Place, Flight 3: Ron Wolyn

2nd Place, Flight 3: Don Stevens

Bob Chan introduced our speaker, Kevin Maxwell, M.D. He gave an informative presentation, on the "3Ds" (Depression, Dementia, and Diabetes).



Our last speaker of this calendar year will be Robert Welti, PhD. His career spans over fifty years in aerospace and software systems. The topic of his presentation will be "Space Control."

Richard Green, Past President of Branch 170 SIR at LOP, received a Special Presidential Recognition Award. He was recognized for his outstanding leadership and was instrumental in increased membership to Branch 170 during his tenure. In addition, he was an active member of Sons in Retirement for 30 years.

